

## BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES DRAFT MINUTES

MONDAY, JULY 13, 2026, 6:30 P.M.  
ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER  
3900 MAIN STREET, RIVERSIDE, CA 92522

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PRESENT: Vice Chair Peter Wohlgemuth, and Board Members Jordan Wright, Sean Rand, Gary Montgomery, Tom Evans, Mikael Becker, and Christian Cruz

ABSENT: Chair Brian Siana and Board Member Rebecca Goldware

Vice Chair Wohlgemuth called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Board Member Becker led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

### PUBLIC COMMENT IN-PERSON/TELEPHONE

There was no one wishing to address the Board of Public Utilities.

### PUBLIC HEARING

#### WA-12 AGRICULTURAL SERVICE WATER RATE SCHEDULE

Hearing was called to receive public input related to the proposed WA-12 Agricultural Service Water Rate Schedule closure to new customers. Two people spoke regarding the matter. The public hearing was officially closed.

Following discussion, it was moved by Board Member Wright and seconded by Board Member Cruz to (1) adopt a resolution establishing the closure of the WA-12 Agricultural Service Water Rate Schedule to new customers; (2) recommend that the City Council adopt a resolution approving the closure of the WA-12 Agricultural Service Water Rate Schedule to new customers. The motion carried with Board Members Wright, Rand, Montgomery, Becker, and Cruz voting aye, Vice Chair Wohlgemuth voting no, Board Member Evans recusing, Chair Siana and Board Member Goldware absent.

### COMMUNICATIONS

#### 2025 EMPLOYEES OF THE YEAR

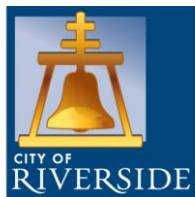
Recognition of Riverside Public Utilities 2025 Employees of the Year.

#### BOARD MEMBERS DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Board Member Montgomery declared a conflict of interest and recused himself from the increase to change order authority for Bid 8146 and Work Order 2321785 for Springs Circuit Reliability Project, Phase 2 item.

### CONSENT CALENDAR

It was moved by Board Member Evans and seconded by Board Member Wright to approve the Consent Calendar as presented affirming the actions appropriate to each item. The motion carried unanimously with Chair Siana and Board Member Goldware absent.



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### MINUTES

The minutes of June 22, 2026, were approved as presented.

### WORK ORDER 2617219 - HUNTER SUBSTATION CIRCUIT TIE ADDITION AND POLE REPLACEMENT PROJECT FOR CIRCUIT 1222

The Board of Public Utilities approved Work Order 2617219 for a total capital expenditure of \$484,615 for the Hunter Substation Circuit Tie Addition and Pole Replacement Project for Circuit 1222.

### DISCUSSION CALENDAR

#### RIVERSIDE MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 2.78 - CODE OF ETHICS AND CONDUCT

Following discussion, it was moved by Board Member Evans and seconded by Board Member Rand to recommend that under category H, prohibited conduct, it be a prohibited action to display campaign materials on any City property including vehicles, power poles, street light poles, but not limited to those. The motion carried unanimously with Chair Siana and Board Member Goldware absent.

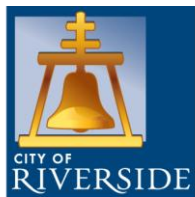
Following further discussion, it was moved by Vice Chair Wohlgemuth and seconded by Board Member Evans to recommend that the presentation from the Board of Ethics eliminate the process and procedures of the complaint filing and appeal process and concentrate on the prohibited behaviors. The motion carried unanimously with Chair Siana and Board Member Goldware absent.

#### AGREEMENT FOR EMISSIONS TESTING AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTING SERVICES - RIVERSIDE ENERGY RESOURCE CENTER, CLEARWATER, AND SPRINGS POWER PLANTS

Following discussion, it was moved by Board Member Wright and seconded by Board Member Becker to recommend that the City Council approve a Professional Consultant Services Agreement with Onterris USA, Inc., North Little Rock, Arkansas, to provide emissions testing and environmental consulting services at Riverside Energy Resource Center, Clearwater, and Springs Power Plants for a five-year term commencing July 1, 2027, through June 30, 2032, for a total agreement amount of \$1,723,815. The motion carried unanimously with Chair Siana and Board Member Goldware absent.

#### INCREASE TO CHANGE ORDER AUTHORITY - BID 8146 - WORK ORDER 2321785 - SPRINGS CIRCUIT RELIABILITY PROJECT, PHASE 2

Following discussion, it was moved by Board Member Rand and seconded by Board Member Becker to (1) authorize an increase to change order authority for Bid 8146 to Outsource Utility Contractor, LLC, Los Angeles, for the Springs Circuit Reliability Project, Phase 2, for a not-to-exceed change order amount of 28.6 percent or \$327,765.99; (2) approve additional funding for Work Order 2321785 in the amount of \$213,071.51 for a revised total capital expenditure of \$3,498,071.51 which includes design, construction, construction support, contract



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administration, inspection and construction change order authority for the Springs Circuit Reliability Project, Phase 2; and (3) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute any documents necessary to effectuate the project described in staff report, as well as the ability to make minor non-substantive changes in alignment with all purchasing policies. The motion carried with Vice Chair Wohlgemuth, Board Members Wright, Rand, Evans, Becker, and Cruz voting aye, Board Member Montgomery recused, and Chair Siana and Goldware absent.

### WORK ORDER 2627304 FOR SERVICE LATERAL MODIFICATIONS - GAGE WATER TRANSFER AND OLIVEWOOD CONVEYANCE AGREEMENT

Following discussion, it was moved by Board Member Cruz and seconded by Board Member Evans to (1) approve Work Order 2627304 in the amount of \$97,000 for service lateral modifications; (2) recommend that the City Council (a) approve the Gage Water Transfer and Olivewood Conveyance Agreement; and (b) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Agreement with the Gage Canal Company including making minor and non-substantive changes. The motion carried unanimously with Chair Siana and Board Member Goldware absent.

### BOARD MEMBER/STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

#### SYSTEMATIC REPORTING ON MEETINGS, CONFERENCES, AND SEMINARS BY BOARD MEMBERS AND/OR STAFF

There were no reports given at this time.

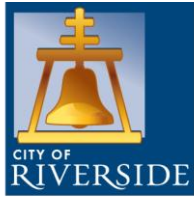
#### ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES CONSIDERATION

Vice Chair Wohlgemuth requested a presentation on the implications of Proposition 218 for Board activities.

### GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Following discussion and without formal motion, the Board of Public Utilities received and ordered filed the General Manager's reports including (1) Board Member Request List from Minute Order for August 2024 to May 2026; (2) WA-12 Agricultural Service Water Rate report for May 31, 2026; (3) Power Supply Report for April 2026; (4) Southern California Public Power Authority Agenda and Minutes; (5) a list of upcoming City Council and Board meetings; and (6) Electric/Water Utility Acronyms.

The Board of Public Utilities adjourned at 8:26 p.m.



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Respectfully submitted,

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DIANA ALEGRIA  
Deputy City Clerk