

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2023, 6:30 P.M.
PUBLIC COMMENT IN-PERSON/TELEPHONE
ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER
3900 MAIN STREET, RIVERSIDE, CA 92522

PRESENT: Chair Gildardo Oceguera, Vice Chair Rebeccah Goldware and Board

Members Nancy Melendez, Rosemary Heru, Brian Siana, Peter Wohlgemuth,

David Crohn, and Gary Montgomery

ABSENT: Board Member Nipunieet Guiral

Chair Oceguera called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

Vice Chair Goldware led the pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

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

CONSENT CALENDAR

It was moved by Member Crohn and seconded by Member Siana to approve the Consent Calendar as presented below affirming the actions appropriate to each item with the exception of the capital expenditure for Work Order 2224356 for the Orangecrest Substation to Springs Substation Fiber Optic Cable Upgrade Project item removed from the Consent Calendar for separate discussion. The motion carried unanimously with Board Member Gujral absent.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of October 23, 2023, were approved as presented.

ABSENCE

The Board of Public Utilities excused the absence of Board Member Crohn from the Board of Public Utilities meeting held September 25, 2023.

ABSENCE

The Board of Public Utilities excused the absence of Board Member Gujral from the Board of Public Utilities meeting held September 25, 2023.

MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT - SOLAR ENERGY (SC-RISE)/SOLAR VALLEY CONSORTIUM

The Board of Public Utilities recommended that City Council (1) approve the City's Membership Agreement with University of California Riverside Southern California Research Initiative for a two-year term with Solar Energy (SC-RISE)/Solar Valley Consortium in the annual amount of \$5,000 through FY 2024/25; (2) designate Public Utilities General Manager or their designee to represent the City of Riverside at meetings of the SC-Rise/Solar Valley Consortium



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meetings; and (3) authorize the City Manager, or their designee, to sign and execute all necessary membership documents, including making minor and non-substantive changes.

DEFAULT OF CONTRACT - CONSTRUCTION BID RPU-7816 - TERMINATE RIGHT TO PERFORM UNDER CONTRACT

The Board of Public Utilities (1) finds G. Hurtado Construction, Inc., in default of the Contract for the construction of the Brockton Avenue Water Main Replacement Project Bid RPU-7816, as required by the Contract documents; (2) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to terminate G. Hurtado Construction, Inc's., right to perform under the Contract by issuing a written notice of termination for default to the Contractor and its Surety, United States Fire Insurance Company; and (3) authorize City Manager, or designee, to execute any agreements or documents necessary to carry out the contract termination and effectuate the completion of the project, including documents and agreements needed to carry out the Surety's obligations under the contract and performance bond.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE FOR WORK ORDER 2224356 - ORANGECREST SUBSTATION TO SPRINGS SUBSTATION FIBER OPTIC CABLE UPGRADE PROJECT

Following discussion, it was moved by Member Crohn and seconded by Member Melendez to approve the capital expenditure for Work Order 2224356 in the amount of \$649,000 for the Orangecrest Substation to Springs Substation Fiber Optic Cable Upgrade Project. The motion carried unanimously with Member Gujral absent.

AMEND PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENTS

Following discussion, it was moved by Member Melendez and seconded by Member Siana recommending that the City Council (1) approve the amended Professional Consultant Services Agreement with Staples & Associates, Inc., Bakersfield, to add \$500,000, for a revised contract amount of \$750,000; (2) approve the amended Professional Consultant Services Agreement with Richard Heath and Associates, Fresno, to add \$2,500,000, for the Small Business Program for contract amount of \$3,750,000; and (3) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the amended Professional Consultant Services Agreements, including making minor and non-substantive changes to the agreements. The motion carried unanimously with Member Gujral absent.



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PURCHASE OF LICENSED TRAINING CONTENT AND TRAINING SUPPLIES LED AND FACILITATED BY IN-HOUSE STAFF IN HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT - FOREMAN ACADEMY FOR ENERGY DELIVERY AND WATER SUPERINTENDENTS AND SUPERVISORS

Following discussion, it was moved by Member Crohn and seconded by Vice Chair Goldware recommending that the City Council (1) authorize the purchase of licensed training content and training supplies for the Foreman Academy in the amount of \$99,568.58; and (2) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute any contracts and documents necessary to effectuate the project as described in the staff report, as well as the ability to make minor non-substantive changes in accordance with all purchasing policies. The motion carried unanimously with Member Gujral absent.

PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENT - REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL 2282 - CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION SERVICES FOR WATER UTILITY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS Following discussion, it was moved by Vice Chair Goldware and seconded by Member Siana recommending that the City Council (1) approve a Professional Consultant Services Agreement from Request for Proposal 2282 for Construction Inspection Services for Water Utility Capital Improvement Projects with Z&K Consultants, Inc., Corona, for a term until December 31, 2026, in a not-to-exceed amount of \$655,000 with the option to extend for two additional years; and (2) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Professional Consultant Services Agreement and any other documents necessary to effectuate the project as described in the staff report, as well as the ability to make minor non-substantive changes in accordance with all purchasing policies. The motion carried unanimously with Member Gujral absent.

BOARD MEMBER/STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

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

Chair Oceguera reported on the State Ground Water Committee and Western Municipal Water District.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES CONSIDERATION There were no future items requested at this time.

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) WA-12 Agricultural Service Water Rate report as of September 30, 2023; (2) Water Supply Report for September 2023; (3) Customer Engagement Report updates through September 2023; (4) Electric and Water Open Work Orders over \$200,000 and Closed Work Orders Summary Reports for September



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2023; (5) Southern California Public Power Authority agenda and minutes; (6) a list of upcoming City Council and Board meetings; and (7) Electric and Water utility acronyms.

The Board of Public Utilities adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,	
DIANA ALEGRIA	
Deputy City Clerk	