



## BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES DRAFT MINUTES

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2025, 6:30 P.M.  
ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER  
3900 MAIN STREET, RIVERSIDE, CA 92522

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PRESENT: Vice Chair Rebeccah Goldware, and Board Members Peter Wohlgemuth, Brian Siana, Warren Avery, Gary Montgomery, Nancy Melendez, and Rosemary Heru

ABSENT: Chair Gildardo Ocegueda and Board Member Sandra Polichetti

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

Board Member Heru 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.

### PRESENTATIONS

General Manager, David Garcia, recognized Board Members Melendez and Heru's service on the Board of Public Utilities.

### COMMUNICATIONS

There was no Riverside Public Utilities sustainability efforts update provided.

### BOARD MEMBERS DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

There were no conflicts of interest declared at this time.

### CONSENT CALENDAR

It was moved by Board Member Avery and seconded by Board Member Melendez to approve the Consent Calendar as presented below affirming the actions appropriate to each item. The motion carried unanimously with Chair Ocegueda and Board Member Polichetti absent.

### MINUTES

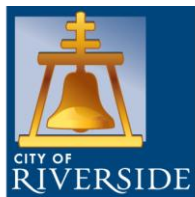
The minutes of February 10, 2025, were approved as presented.

### ABSENCE

The Board of Public Utilities excused the absence of Board Member Melendez from the Board of Public Utilities meeting held January 13, 2025.

### ABSENCE

The Board of Public Utilities excused the absence of Board Member Polichetti from the Board of Public Utilities meeting held January 13, 2025.



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### REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL 2340 - PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENT - CYBER SECURITY CONSULTING SERVICES

The Board of Public Utilities recommended that the City Council (1) approve the Professional Consultant Services Agreement with AESI-US, Inc., from RFP 2340 for cybersecurity consulting services, for a three-year term, in an amount of \$329,100; and (2) authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the agreements, including making minor non-substantive changes, and to sign all documents and instruments necessary to complete the transactions.

### WORK ORDER 2410502 - REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL 2383 - LA COLINA SUBSTATION NEW GATE AND DRIVEWAY PROJECT

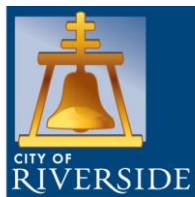
The Board of Public Utilities (1) approved the capital expenditure for Work Order 2410502 in the amount of \$327,000 for La Colina Substation New Gate and Driveway Project; (2) recommended that the City Council (a) approve Design Build Services Agreement for La Colina Substation New Gate and Driveway with Cornerstone Construction Company, Victorville, for a term of one year from date of contract execution, in a not-to-exceed amount of \$228,000; (b) authorize a 15 percent, or \$34,000 change order authority for the contract with Cornerstone Construction Company, for Request for Proposal 2383 La Colina Substation New Gate and Driveway Project; and (4) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute any documents necessary to effectuate the procurement described in the staff report, as well as the ability to make minor nonsubstantive changes in alignment with all purchasing policies.

### ANNUAL INTEREST RATE ON CUSTOMER DEPOSITS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2025 AT 4.70 PERCENT PER ANNUM

The Board of Public Utilities approved the annual interest rate on customer deposits for the calendar year 2025 at the rate of 4.70 percent per annum, as provided by Riverside Public Utilities' Electric and Water Rules.

### FOURTH AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT - POWER PLANT CONTROL SYSTEM ENGINEERING AND CONSULTING SERVICES - RIVERSIDE ENERGY RESOURCE CENTER AND SPRINGS POWER PLANT

The Board of Public Utilities recommended that the City Council (1) approve the fourth amendment to the Professional Consultant Services Agreement with Wunderlich-Malec Engineering, Inc., Gilbert, Arizona, for power plant control system engineering and consulting services at the Riverside Energy Resource Center and Springs Power Plant for a three-year term ending June 30, 2028, in the amount of \$180,000, for a total agreement amount of \$630,000; and (2) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the fourth amendment to the Professional Consultant Services Agreement with Wunderlich-Malec Engineering, Inc., including the ability to make non-substantive changes.



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### DISCUSSION CALENDAR

#### REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL 2410 - PROFESSIONAL CONSULTANT SERVICES AGREEMENT - REFRIGERATOR AND FREEZER RECYCLING PROGRAM

Following discussion, it was moved by Board Member Avery and seconded by Board Member Siana to recommend that the City Council (1) approve a Professional Consultant Services Agreement from Request for Proposal 2410 to administer the Refrigerator and Freezer Recycling Program to A&G Electronics Inc., for a three-year term in the amount of \$300,000; and (2) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Professional Consultant Services Agreements, including making minor and non-substantive changes to the agreements. The motion carried unanimously with Chair Ocegüera and Board Member Polichetti absent.

#### WORK ORDER 2428298 - BID 8145 - DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, CONSTRUCTION SUPPORT, CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION, INSPECTION, CONSTRUCTION CHANGE ORDER AUTHORITY - LIMESTONE DRIVE CABLE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

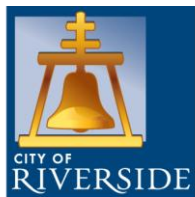
Following discussion, it was moved by Board Member Melendez and seconded by Board Member Siana to (1) award Bid 8145 to Asplundh Construction LLC, Anaheim, for the Limestone Drive Cable Replacement Project, in the amount of \$704,838.94; (2) authorize change order authority, if needed, to the Asplundh Construction LLC, Construction Contract in a not-to-exceed amount of 10 percent or \$70,483.89, for Bid 8145; (3) approve Work Order 2428298 for the total capital expenditure of \$931,000 which includes design, construction, construction support, contract administration, inspection, and construction change order authority for the Limestone Drive Cable Replacement Project; and (4) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute any documents necessary to effectuate the project described in the staff report, as well as the ability to make minor non-substantive changes in alignment with purchasing policies. The motion carried unanimously with Chair Ocegüera and Board Member Polichetti absent.

#### FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 ANNUAL ELECTRIC AND WATER UTILITY RATE PLAN UPDATE

Following discussion, it was moved by Board Member Melendez and seconded by Board Member Wohlgemuth to recommend the City Council receive the annual electric and water utility rate plan update for the results of Fiscal Year 2023-24. The motion carried with Chair Ocegüera and Board Member Polichetti absent.

### CLOSED SESSION

The Board of Public Utilities adjourned to closed session at 7:21 p.m. pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(4) to confer with and/or receive advice from legal counsel concerning the Board of Public Utilities deciding whether to initiate litigation regarding one case.



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The Board of Public Utilities returned to open session at 7:35 p.m. with Vice Chair Goldware presiding, and Board Members Wohlgemuth, Siana, Avery, Montgomery, Melendez and Heru present, and Chair Ocegüera and Board Member Polichetti absent.

### BOARD MEMBER/STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

#### CITY ATTORNEY REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION DISCUSSION

Senior Deputy City Attorney Beaumon announced there were no reportable actions taken during the closed session.

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

Board Member Wohlgemuth reported on the Mobility and Infrastructure Committee's approval of the Board Annual Workplan. Board Member Avery reminded Board Members that the Resolution regarding reaffirming the policy excepting certain types of projects from Section 1109 of the Riverside City Charter was set on the February 25, 2025, City Council Agenda for adoption.

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

There were no 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) Financial Results as of September 30, 2024, and Accounts Receivable and Delinquencies as of December 31, 2024; (2) Electric and Water Contractor and Consultant Panel updates for December 2024; (3) Power Supply Report for December 2024; (4) Water Supply Report for December 31, 2024; (5) Customer Engagement Report updates through December 2024; (6) a list of upcoming City Council and Board meetings; and (7) Electric/Water Utility Acronyms.

The Board of Public Utilities adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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DIANA ALEGRIA  
Deputy City Clerk