City of Arts & Innovation

# BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES
# DRAFT MINUTES

MONDAY, AUGUST 10, 2026, 6:30 P.M.
ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER
3900 MAIN STREET, RIVERSIDE, CA 92522

PRESENT: Chair Brian Siana, Vice Chair Peter Wohlgemuth, and Board Members Rebeccah Goldware, Sean Rand, Gary Montgomery, Tom Evans, Mikael Becker, and Christian Cruz

ABSENT: Board Member Jordan Wright

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

Board Member Wohlgemuth 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.

COMMUNICATIONS

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 Becker and seconded by Board Member Cruz to approve the Consent Calendar as presented affirming the actions appropriate to each item. The motion carried unanimously with Board Member Wright absent.

MINUTES
The minutes of July 27, 2026, were approved as presented.

ABSENCE
The Board of Public Utilities excused the absence of Board Member Wright from the Board of Public Utilities meeting held June 22, 2026.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

SERVICE LATERAL REPLACEMENT PROGRAM EXTENSION - ANNUAL FUNDING FOR FISCAL YEAR 2028-29 OF PROGRAM
Following discussion, it was moved by Board Member Goldware and seconded by Board Member Rand to (1) approve a three-year extension of the Service Lateral Replacement Program through Fiscal Year 2028-29; and (2) authorize annual funding of $350,000 for each fiscal year of the program, with separate work orders established annually. The motion carried unanimously with Board Member Wright absent.

HOLDING TANK COST REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT WITH ROBERT ALLEN SHEPHERD
Following discussion, it was moved by Board Member Evans and seconded by Board Member Wohlgemuth to recommend to continue to pay cost reimbursement for an estimated annual cost of $7,600 for a term of five years, or sooner if sewer is available in the immediate area, or the tank fails. The motion failed with Vice Chair Wohlgemuth, Board Members Montgomery, and Evans voting aye, Chair Siana, and Board Members Rand, Becker, and Cruz voting no, Board Member Goldware abstaining, and Board Member Wright absent.

Following further discussion, by was moved by Chair Siana and seconded by Board Member Rand to table the item ensuring that the item is brought back to the Board of Public Utilities with a timeline resolution. The motion carried with Chair Siana, Vice Chair Wohlgemuth, and Board Members Rand, Montgomery, Evans, Becker, and Cruz voting aye, Board Member Goldware abstaining, and Board Member Wright absent.

AWARD BID SUB-872 AND BID SUB-873 - TRANSFORMERS PROCUREMENT - RIVERSIDE SUBSTATION BANK 6 ADDITION WORK ORDER 2514855 AND HARVEY LYNN SUBSTATION EXPANSION PROJECT WORK ORDER 2616697
Following discussion, it was moved by Board Member Cruz and seconded by Board Member Becker to (1) award Bid SUB-872 Transformers Procurement to Delta Star, Inc, San Carlos, for the Harvey Lynn Substation Expansion Project and Riverside Substation Bank 6 Addition Project, in the amount of $14,878,322, with a change order authority of 10 percent in the amount of $1,487,832, for a total not-to-exceed amount of $16,366,154; (2) award Bid Sub-873 to One Source Supply Solutions, San Diego, Harvey Lynn Substation Expansion Project and Riverside Substation Bank 6 Addition Project, in the amount of $1,587,980, with a change order authority of 10 percent in the amount of $158,798, for a total not-to-exceed amount of $1,746,778; (3) approve Riverside Substation Bank 6 Addition Work Order 2514855 for a total capital expenditure of $6,327,972; (4) approve Harvey Lynn Substation Expansion Project Work Order 2616697 for a total capital expenditure of $14,042,000; and (5) 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 all purchasing policies. The motion carried unanimously with Board Member Wright absent.

<u>BOARD MEMBER/STAFF COMMUNICATIONS</u>

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

Chair Siana requested (1) that the holding tank cost reimbursement agreement with Robert Allen Shepherd be brought back for further discussion; and (2) an update on hacks from foreign actors affecting the Municipal Water and Electric Utilities and prevention methods.

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 June 30, 2026; (2) Electric and Water Open Work Orders over $200,000 and Closed Work Orders Summary Reports for September 2025; (3) Southern California Public Power Authority Minutes; (4) a list of upcoming City Council and Board meetings; and (5) Electric/Water Utility Acronyms.

The Board of Public Utilities adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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DIANA ALEGRIA
Deputy City Clerk