

**MEMORANDUM FROM THE CITY ATTORNEY CONCERNING A CLOSED  
SESSION BEFORE THE BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES OF THE CITY OF RIVERSIDE**

TO: Honorable Chairperson and Board Members

FROM: Phaedra A. Norton, City Attorney

SUBJECT: Closed Session - Existing Litigation [*Government Code §54956.9(d)(1)*]

Name of Case(s): *City of Riverside v. 3M Company, et al.*  
U.S. District Court for the District of South Carolina  
MDL No. 2873 Master Docket No. 2:18-mn-2873

A closed session will be held on September 9, 2024, for the purpose of conferring with and/or receiving advice from your legal counsel concerning litigation which has been formally initiated to which the City of Riverside is a party. [*Government Code §54956.9(d)(1)*]

The City Attorney will provide you with a status report on this particular case.

If the Board of Public Utilities authorizes the City Attorney to defend or seek or refrain from seeking appellate review or relief, the parties and substance of the litigation shall be reported in open session at the public meeting during which the closed session is held. If the Board of Public Utilities authorizes initiation or intervention, such authorization shall also be reported and the public advised that the action, defendants and other particulars may be disclosed upon request after the action is formally commenced. [*Government Code §54957.1(a)(2)*]

If the Board of Public Utilities accepts a settlement offer signed by the opposing party, the substance of the settlement shall be reported at the public meeting during which the closed session is held. [*Government Code §54957.1(a)(3)(A)*]

Any disclosures shall include the vote or abstention of each member.

Dated: August 28, 2024

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