

City of Arts & Innovation

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES MINUTES

MONDAY, JANUARY 22, 2024, 6:30 P.M.
PUBLIC COMMENT IN-PERSON/TELEPHONE
ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER
3900 MAIN STREET, RIVERSIDE, CA 92522

PRESENT: Chair Gildardo Ocegüera, Vice Chair Rebeccah Goldware and Board Members Peter Wohlgemuth, Brian Siana, David Crohn, Gary Montgomery, Nancy Melendez, and Rosemary Heru

ABSENT: None

Chair Ocegüera called the meeting to order at 6:33 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.

PUBLIC HEARING

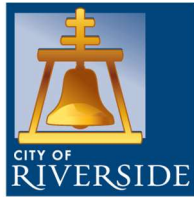
RENEWAL OF THE TEN-YEAR WATER CONSERVATION SURCHARGE - RESOLUTION

Hearing was called to engage the community and receive input related to the renewal of a ten-year 1.5 percent Water Conservation Surcharge applied to all Riverside Public Utilities (RPR) water customer accounts. Two people spoke regarding the matter. The public hearing was officially closed.

The Deputy City Clerk announced there were 23 written protests received and a majority protest was not reached.

Following discussion, it was moved by Board Member Wohlgemuth and seconded by Board Member Melendez to (1) adopt a resolution of the ten-year Water Conservation Surcharge as described in the resolution; (2) recommend City Council (a) approve the renewal of the Water Conservation Surcharge applicable to all RPU water customers, effective through the ten years thereafter; and (b) adopt a resolution establishing the revised Schedules WA-1A, WA-1B, WA-2, WA-3, WA-4, WA-5, WA-6, WA-7, WA-8, WA-9, WA-10, WA-11, and WA-12 effective upon Council approval through ten years thereafter. The motion carried with Chair Ocegüera, Vice Chair Goldware and Members Crohn, Heru, Melendez, Siana, and Wohlgemuth voting aye, and Member Montgomery voting no.

Whereupon, the title having been read and further reading waived, Resolution No. 2024-1 of the Board of Public Utilities of the City of Riverside, California, (1) adopting and establishing the renewal of the water conservation surcharge of 1.5 percent of total water rates and charges (originally adopted and established on May 25, 2004 by City Council Resolution 20695, and renewed on April 22, 2014 by City Council Resolution 22675) by amending Water Rate Schedules WA-1A, WA-1B, WA-2, WA-3, WA-4, WA-5, WA-6, WA-7, WA-8, WA-9, WA-10, WA-11, and WA-12, effective upon Council approval through ten years thereafter; (2) making related findings of fact; and (3) recommending City Council approval thereof, was presented and adopted.



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COMMUNICATIONS

Power Resources Manager Tracy Sato provided the Riverside Public Utilities sustainability efforts update.

CONSENT CALENDAR

It was moved by Board Member Wohlgemuth and seconded by Board Member Siana to approve the Consent Calendar as presented below affirming the actions appropriate to each item. The motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of January 8, 2024, were approved as presented.

ABSENCE

The Board of Public Utilities excused the absence of Board Member Crohn from the Board of Public Utilities meetings held on December 11, 2023.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL 2293 - SERVICES AGREEMENT - COOLING TOWER MAINTENANCE - RIVERSIDE ENERGY RESOURCE CENTER UNITS 1 AND 2

The Board of Public Utilities (1) approved a Services Agreement from Request for Proposal No. 2293, with Factory Authorized Services, Inc., Santa Fe Springs, to perform cooling tower maintenance at the Riverside Energy Resource Center Units 1 and 2, for a term starting April 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, in the amount of \$299,768.13; and (2) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to execute the services agreement with Factory Authorized Services, Inc. including making minor non-substantive changes.

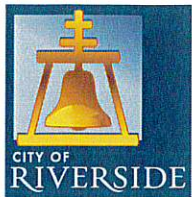
DISCUSSION CALENDAR

AGREEMENT - ZERO EMISSION FLEET TRANSITION PLAN SERVICES

Following discussion, it was moved by Board Member Siana and seconded by Vice Chair Goldware to (1) approve a Professional Consultant Services Agreement with Black & Veatch Corporation of Overland Park, Kansas, for zero emission fleet transition plan services. The term of the Agreement shall be from the date of execution through February 2025, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$99,600; and (2) authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the Professional Consultant Services Agreement, including making minor and non-substantive changes. The motion carried unanimously.

USE OF OFFICE SPACE BY MUSEUM DEPARTMENT UPDATE - MISSION SQUARE OFFICE BUILDING - 3750 UNIVERSITY AVENUE, SUITE 230

Following discussion, it was moved by Vice Chair Goldware and seconded by Board Member Melendez to receive and ordered filed the update regarding the usage of office space by the Museum Department for a term not to exceed three years for approximately



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2,534 square feet of rentable space in the Mission Square Office Building located at 3750 University Avenue, Suite 230 in the amount of \$276,408. The motion carried unanimously.

FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 TREE POWER PROGRAM FREE SHADE TREE COUPON CAMPAIGN

Following discussion, it was moved by Board Member Crohn and seconded by Board Member Melendez to (1) approve the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Tree Power Program Free Shade Tree Coupon Campaign in the amount of \$468,424; and (2) authorize the City Manager, or designee, to issue purchase orders and change orders to Parkview Nursery, 4377 Chicago Avenue; Parkview Nursery, 3841 Jackson Street; and Louie's Nursery, 18550 Van Buren Boulevard based on the variable product demand of each nursery for the Tree Power Program's Free Shade Tree Coupon campaign in a collective amount of \$468,424. The motion carried unanimously.

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

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) Power Supply Report for November 2023; (2) Electric and Water Contractor and Consultant Panel updates as of November 2023; (3) Contracts executed not requiring Board approval as of November 2023; (4) Riverside Public Utilities Financial Results as of September 30, 2023; (5) a list of upcoming City Council and Board meetings; and (6) Electric and Water utility acronyms.

The Board of Public Utilities adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


LORENA VERDUSCO
Deputy City Clerk