

## Board Update Meeting Summary | Friday, September 19, 2014

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#### **Board Actions:**

##### **Board of Public Utilities approves all items on Consent Calendar without comment as listed below:**

- Approval for Work Order No. 1502504 for \$382,351 and including the purchase order of \$140,142 to McAvoy & Markham Engineering and Sales for 3- 69kV circuit breakers and associated equipment for the Riverside Substation Bay Replacement Project.
- Work Order No. 1415539 in the amount of \$190,000 was approved for underground electrical installation near Krameria Avenue and Alta Cresta Avenue for new tract 32997.
- Approval for the purchase of \$97,103.73 to Dell, for replacement computers and upgrades to existing computers as part of the Customer Information System Implementation Project.

##### **Board defers decision on approving \$77,000 expenditure for long range planning efforts related to Northside properties**

Assistant General Manager, Kevin Milligan provided history, background and factual information related to Northside properties, jointly owned by Riverside Public Utilities and the Successor Agency once known as Riverside Development Agency. After public input and further board discussion, it was decided to defer a decision on this item until the board is able to review and vote on adoption of Property Utilization Assessment Policies and Principles that will be brought forth by the end of the year. This will provide guidance and clearly outlined best practices to aid in making decisions related to real property owned by RPU.

##### **Board approves Magnolia 4kV to 12 kV Conversion Overhead Project**

Assistant General Manager, Pat Hohl provided background and explanation for approval of Work Order No. 1319390 for \$1,577,100. As part of the Magnolia Plaza Reliability Project, RPU Field Forces will do the overhead line work associated with this power capacity upgrade.

##### **Board recommends that the City Council authorize Termination of Funding Agreement No. 50124B02 with California Department of Public Health for the Upper Gage Canal Exchange Project**

Assistant General Manager, Kevin Milligan explained the need to terminate the contract and asked the Board to recommend that the City Council authorize termination for Funding Agreement No. 50124B02 in the amount of \$4,609,500. These are matching grant funds to be returned to the State of California Department of Public Health. Water levels associated with the project have changed and the project no longer makes financial sense for the utility to proceed further.

##### **General Manager's Report:**

General Manager, Girish Balachandran recognized the Customer Relations/Marketing division for winning two awards from the City-County Communications and Marketing Association. The two awards were the Savvy Award for the 100 years Postcard Book, and the Silver Circle award for the 100 years Water Advertising Campaign, both commemorating the anniversary of 100 years of water service in 2013.

##### **Board requests for future updates:**

- Tutorial presentation relating to monthly reporting to the State on water use reduction.
- Summer re-cap on electric and water demands and production.