

CITY OF RIVERSIDE

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

Minutes of: Regular Meeting of the Board of Public Utilities
Date of Meeting: December 5, 2008
Time of Meeting: 8:30 a.m.
Place of Meeting: Public Utilities Boardroom
3901 Orange Street (at Ninth & Orange Streets)
Riverside, California

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG WAS GIVEN

Roll Call

Present: Dave Barnhart (Chair) Ken Sutter
 Bernie Titus Robert Elliott
 Ian Davidson Manny Sanchez
 Joe Tavaglione

Absent: Bob Stockton (absence due to vacation)
 Mary Curtin (absence due to other)

MINUTES

1. The approval of the regular meeting minutes from the Board of Public Utilities meeting held on November 21, 2008 were approved as submitted.
Motion – Davidson. Second – Titus.
Ayes: Barnhart, Sutter, Titus, Elliott, Davidson, Sanchez, and Tavaglione.
Noes: None.
Abstain: None.
Absent: Bob Stockton (absence due to vacation)
 Mary Curtin (absence due to other)

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

2. WATER COMMITTEE MEETING
The Board of Public Utilities accepted and filed the November 21, 2008 Water Committee Minutes.
3. FINANCE/MARKETING COMMITTEE MEETING - The Finance/Marketing Committee meeting scheduled on November 28, 2008 was cancelled and not rescheduled.

CONSENT CALENDAR – (Items 4, 5, and 6)

A motion was made to approve the following items on the Consent Calendar with the exception of Item 7, **CONSTRUCTION OF WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT ON NELSON STREET AND THOMAS AVENUE, WORK ORDER NO. 0906799**, Item 8, **PURCHASE OF REPLACEMENT OF ONE WATER UTILITY SERVICE TRUCK FOR WATER FIELD OPERATIONS**, Item 9, **PURCHASE OF REPLACEMENT OF THREE WATER TRUCKS FOR WATER FIELD OPERATIONS**, and Item 10, **PURCHASE OF POWER VACUUM VEHICLE FOR WATER FIELD OPERATIONS**, which were moved to the Discussion Calendar.

Motion – Tavaglione. Second – Elliott.

Ayes: Barnhart, Sutter, Titus, Elliott, Davidson, Sanchez, and Tavaglione.

Noes: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Bob Stockton (absence due to vacation)
Mary Curtin (absence due to other)

Electric Items

4. **OVERHEAD TO UNDERGROUND CONVERSION - WORK ORDER NO. 090021-01**

The Board of Public Utilities approved the estimated capital expenditure of \$180,000 to remove approximately 1,210 feet of overhead distribution infrastructure and install an underground system along Market Street at Rivera Street.

5. **INTRUSIVE POLE INSPECTIONS FOR ASSET MANAGEMENT PROGRAM**

The Board of Public Utilities:

1. Approved the estimated Work Order expenditure of \$200,000 for intrusive inspection of approximately 6,000 poles in the southerly section of the City of Riverside's service territory; and
2. Approved the First Extension to Agreement for Inspection and Treatment of In-Service Wood Poles with Intec Services, Inc., of Fort Collins, Colorado in an amount not-to-exceed \$150,000.

Water Items

6. **PROCUREMENT OF ELECTRICAL SWITCHGEAR FOR VICTORIA BOOSTER STATION MODIFICATIONS, WORK ORDER NO. 0808340**

The Board of Public Utilities:

1. Approved the capital expenditure of \$80,441.84 for the purchase of the replacement electrical switchgear located at the Victoria Booster Station as included in Work Order No. 080340; and
2. Approved the issuance of a Purchase Order to Pacific Parts in an amount not-to-exceed \$80,441.84, for the electrical switchgear.

7. **MOVED TO DISCUSSION CALENDAR**
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10. **MOVED TO DISCUSSION CALENDAR**

Other Items

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

7. **CONSTRUCTION OF WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT ON NELSON STREET AND THOMAS AVENUE, WORK ORDER NO. 0906799**

Board Member Sanchez requested this item be placed on the discussion calendar for clarification on the conflict regarding the water main.

Following discussion, the Board of Public Utilities approved the capital expenditure of \$190,000 for Work Order No. 0906799, which includes all design, materials and construction costs for the Nelson Street and Thomas Avenue Water Main Replacement Project.

Motion – Sanchez. Second – Tavaglione.

Ayes: Barnhart, Sutter, Titus, Elliott, Davidson, Sanchez, and Tavaglione.

Noes: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Bob Stockton (absence due to vacation)
Mary Curtin (absence due to other)

Board Chairman Barnhart requested that Items 8, 9 and 10 be placed on the discussion calendar for more clarification on the budgeted amounts and process for vehicle purchases.

8. **PURCHASE OF REPLACEMENT OF ONE WATER UTILITY SERVICE TRUCK FOR WATER FIELD OPERATIONS**

Following discussion, the Board of Public Utilities authorized the expenditure of \$125,000 to replace Water Utility service truck E-216.

9. **PURCHASE OF REPLACEMENT OF THREE WATER TRUCKS FOR WATER FIELD OPERATIONS**

Following discussion, the Board of Public Utilities authorized the expenditure of \$480,000 to replace water trucks R-030, R-032 and R-033.

10. PURCHASE OF POWER VACUUM VEHICLE FOR WATER FIELD OPERATIONS

Following discussion, the Board of Public Utilities authorized the expenditure of \$115,000 to purchase a Power Vacuum Truck.

The Board approved Items 8, 9, and 10 as one approval.

Motion – Titus. Second – Davidson.

Ayes: Barnhart, Sutter, Titus, Elliott, Davidson, Sanchez, and Tavaglione.

Noes: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Bob Stockton (absence due to vacation)
Mary Curtin (absence due to other)

11. GRANULAR ACTIVATED CARBON REMOVAL AND REPLACEMENT - AWARD OF BID NO. 6685

Following discussion, the Board of Public Utilities:

1. Declared that the bid received from Siemens Water Technologies is non-responsive; and
2. Awarded the contract for Bid No. 6685 for granular activated carbon removal and replacement to the lowest responsive bidder, Carbon Activated Corporation, in the amount of \$1,263,099.00 with the first fiscal year costs not-to-exceed \$450,000.

Motion – Davidson. Second – Tavaglione.

Ayes: Barnhart, Sutter, Titus, Elliott, Davidson, Sanchez, and Tavaglione.

Noes: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Bob Stockton (absence due to vacation)
Mary Curtin (absence due to other)

12. CONSTRUCTION OF ORANGECREST T-4 FEEDER PROJECT TO AWARD OF BID NO. 6667

Following discussion, the Board of Public Utilities awarded a contract for the construction of the Orangecrest Substation T-4 Feeder Project, Bid No. 6667 to the lowest responsive bidder, Cal West Underground Inc., in the amount of \$710,700.

Motion – Tavaglione. Second – Davidson.

Ayes: Barnhart, Sutter, Titus, Elliott, Davidson, Sanchez, and Tavaglione.

Noes: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Bob Stockton (absence due to vacation)
Mary Curtin (absence due to other)

13. CANCELLATION OF JANUARY 2ND 2009 BOARD MEETING

Following discussion, the Board of Public Utilities cancelled the regularly scheduled January 2, 2009 Board meeting, unless there is a need to meet.

Motion – Elliott. Second – Sutter.

Ayes: Barnhart, Sutter, Titus, Elliott, Davidson, Sanchez, and Tavaglione.

Noes: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Bob Stockton (absence due to vacation)
Mary Curtin (absence due to other)

14. AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - UPDATE

Following discussion, the Board of Public Utilities received and filed this update.

Board Member Ian Davidson left the meeting at this time.

15. LOW INCOME UTILITY BILL ASSISTANCE – SHARING HOUSEHOLDS ASSIST RIVERSIDE'S ENERGY (SHARE) PROGRAM - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

Following discussion, the Board of Public Utilities recommended that the City Council:

1. Approve a supplemental appropriation of \$100,000 in additional funding to SHARE program; and
2. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to issue a change order in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 to the Agreement for Use of Low-Income Utility Bill and Deposit Assistance Funds with the County of Riverside to utilize the additional funding.

Motion – Tavaglione. Second – Elliott.

Ayes: Barnhart, Sutter, Titus, Elliott, Davidson, Sanchez, and Tavaglione.

Noes: None.

Abstain: None.

Absent: Bob Stockton (absence due to vacation)
Mary Curtin (absence due to other)
Ian Davidson (left the meeting early)

16. WATER RATES ASSOCIATED WITH IRRIGATION - OVERVIEW

General Manager Wright provided an overview of Water Utility efforts over the past several years regarding rates charge for water utilized for irrigation.

17. ITEMS FOR FUTURE BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES CONSIDERATION AS REQUESTED BY A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

None.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

18. State and Federal Legislative Update
19. Monthly Power Supply Report - October 2008
20. City Council Agendas - November 18, 2008 and November 25, 2008
21. Upcoming Meetings
22. Systematic Reporting on Conferences/Seminars
23. Electric / Water Utility Acronyms

UPCOMING MEETING

Chairman Dave Barnhart adjourned the meeting at 9:47 a.m. to the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Utilities to be held on **Friday, December 19, 2008 at 8:30 a.m.** in the Public Utilities Boardroom located at 3901 Orange Street in Riverside, California.

By: 
David H. Wright, Secretary
Board of Public Utilities

Approved by: City of Riverside Board of Public Utilities

Dated: December 19, 2008