

CITY OF RIVERSIDE

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

Minutes of: Meeting of the Board of Public Utilities
Date of Meeting: May 6, 2011
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: Bob Elliott (Chair) Bernie Titus (Vice Chair)
Ian Davidson Justin Scott-Coe
Susan Cash Ken Sutter

Absent: Mary Curtin (excused absence due to business)
Darrell Ament (excused absence due to business)
Gustavo Segura (excused absence due to sick)

PRESENTATIONS

A. EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION AWARDS

The following employee was presented with a SPAM award from General Manager Dave Wright:

Patty Estrada – Customer Service Supervisor

MINUTES

1. The approval of the regular meeting minutes from the Board of Public Utilities meeting held on April 15, 2011 was approved as submitted.

Motion – Scott-Coe. Second – Cash.

Ayes: Elliott, Titus, Davidson, Scott-Coe, Cash and Sutter.

Absent: Mary Curtin (excused absence due to business)
Darrell Ament (excused absence due to business)
Gustavo Segura (excused absence due to sick)

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

2. Committee Reports– are included as applicable
 - a. Electric Committee - None
 - b. Water Committee – April 15, 2011 meeting cancelled
 - c. Finance/Marketing Committee – April 22, 2011 minutes were DEFERRED to next meeting

CONSENT CALENDAR

A motion was made to approve the following items on the Consent Calendar:

Motion – Davidson. Second – Scott-Coe.

Ayes: Elliott, Titus, Davidson, Scott-Coe, Cash, and Sutter.

Electric Items

3. PURCHASE OF 69 KV SWITCHYARD ABOVE GRADE EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS FOR CASA BLANCA SUBSTATION - WORK ORDER NO. 1016403

The Board of Public Utilities approved the purchase of 69 kV switchyard above grade equipment and materials for Casa Blanca Substation from Hamby Young in Aurora, Ohio, for the amount of \$435,714.

4. CIRCUIT 1300 LOAD RELIEF PROJECT - WORK ORDER NO. 1104086

The Board of Public Utilities approved the estimated capital expenditure of \$80,000 for the Circuit 1300 Load Relief Project to replace cable and install overhead devices on First Street, between Orange and Mulberry Streets.

Water Items

5. VINE STREET WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT- INCREASE WORK ORDER NO. 1024631

The Board of Public Utilities approved an increase of \$28,000 to Work Order No. 1024631 from \$304,500 to \$332,500, with \$9,250 to be reimbursed by Riverside County Transportation Commission.

Other Items

6. UNITED STATES BUREAU OF RECLAMATION - WATERSMART GRANT SYSTEM OPTIMIZATION REVIEW (SOR) – SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

The Board of Public Utilities recommended that the City Council:

1. Adopt the appropriate resolution authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to prepare, submit, and sign applications for grant funding for the United States Bureau of Reclamation WaterSmart Grant Financial Assistance Program;
2. Appoint the City Manager, or his designee, as the authorized representative to apply for and sign the United States Bureau of Reclamation WaterSmart Grant Funding Agreements and any amendments thereto; and

3. Upon award of the grant, authorize an increase in revenue in the amount of \$400,000 for the Integrated Water Management Plan (IWMP) and increase expenditures in the same amount to a project account assigned by the Finance Division.
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7. **LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE AT VARIOUS PUBLIC UTILITIES PROPERTIES – APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH MARIPOSA LANDSCAPES, INC.**
The Board of Public Utilities:
 1. Approved an Agreement for General Landscape Maintenance at Various Public Utilities Properties, RFP No. 1242, with Mariposa Landscapes, Inc. of Irwindale, California from July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2013 in the amount of \$ 228,092.67 per year; and
 2. Authorized the expenditure of \$228,092.67 for the first year of the contract.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

8. **THE NEW CONSTRUCTION ENERGY EFFICIENCY INCENTIVE PROGRAM REBATE FOR THE U.S. REAL ESTATE LIMITED PARTNERS**

Following discussion, the Board of Public Utilities recommended that the City Council approve a rebate to U.S. Real Estate Limited Partners through the New Construction Energy Efficiency Incentive Program in the amount of \$150,000.

Motion – Titus. Second – Scott-Coe.

Ayes: Elliott, Titus, Davidson, Scott-Coe, Cash, and Sutter.

9. **CONSTRUCTION OF THE JURUPA AVENUE 16-INCH DOMESTIC AND 16-INCH RECYCLED WATER PIPELINE EXTENSION PROJECT (PHASE II) FROM ABOUT 600 FEET WESTERLY OF VAN BUREN BOULEVARD TO RUTLAND AVENUE**

Following discussion, the Board of Public Utilities approved the additional capital expenditure of \$623,000 for Work Order No. 0912963, which includes all design, construction, change order contingencies, system connections, construction management, inspection and geotechnical testing for the Jurupa Avenue 16-inch Domestic and 16-inch Recycled Water Pipeline Extension Project (Phase II) from 600 feet westerly of Van Buren Boulevard to Rutland Avenue.

Motion – Titus. Second – Cash.

Ayes: Elliott, Titus, Davidson, Scott-Coe, Cash, and Sutter.

10. **AWARD OF BID NO. 6920 FOR CONSTRUCTION OF STP PHASE 2C – 1.0 MILES OF TWIN CIRCUIT 69 KV TRANSMISSION LINE ON VINE STREET SOUTHERLY OF TENTH STREET TO FIFTEENTH STREET**

Following discussion, the Board of Public Utilities:

1. Awarded a contract to International Line Builders, Inc. of Riverside, California, for the construction of Subtransmission Project (STP) Phase 2C in the amount of \$1,225,187, with \$1,117,309 to be reimbursed to the City by the Riverside County Transportation Commission; and

2. Authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to prepare and execute all necessary documents.

Motion – Scott-Coe. Second – Davidson.

Ayes: Elliott, Titus, Davidson, Scott-Coe, Cash, and Sutter.

11. RELOCATION OF OVERHEAD AND UNDERGROUND ELECTRIC FACILITIES FOR PUBLIC WORKS' IOWA AVENUE GRADE SEPARATION PROJECT - WORK ORDER NO. 080015-03

Following discussion, the Board of Public Utilities approved the estimated capital expenditure of \$923,800 to relocate overhead and underground electrical equipment and structures (located at Iowa Avenue and Citrus Street) to accommodate new bridge construction for the Iowa Avenue Grade Separation Project.

Motion – Titus. Second – Cash.

Ayes: Elliott, Titus, Davidson, Scott-Coe, Cash, and Sutter.

12. OVERHEAD TO UNDERGROUND CONVERSION AND STREET LIGHTING FOR PUBLIC WORKS' STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT ON JURUPA AVENUE - WORK ORDER NOS. 1010914 AND 1015057

Following discussion, the Board of Public Utilities:

1. Approved the estimated capital expenditure of \$550,000 for Work Order No. 1010914 to install underground utilities and remove overhead facilities on Jurupa Avenue from Rutland Avenue to Van Buren Boulevard; and
2. Approved the estimated capital expenditure of \$150,000 for Work Order No. 1015057 to install 17 street lights along Jurupa Avenue from Rutland Avenue to the Hole Lake culvert crossing.

Motion – Davidson. Second – Scott-Coe.

Ayes: Elliott, Titus, Davidson, Scott-Coe, Cash, and Sutter.

13. BID NO. 6956 - AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR THE CASA BLANCA SUBSTATION DEMOLITION AND SITE PREPARATION - WORK ORDER NO. 1016403

Following discussion, the Board of Public Utilities:

1. Rejected the bid of Pacific Industrial Electric as non-responsive; and
2. Approved the award of a contract for the Casa Blanca Substation demolition and site preparation, Bid No. 6956, to the lowest responsive bidder, Genesis Construction of Hemet, California, in the amount of \$676,211.

Motion – Davidson. Second – Sutter.

Ayes: Elliott, Titus, Davidson, Scott-Coe, Cash, and Sutter.

14. UPDATE ON PROCUREMENT OF RENEWABLE SOURCES OF ELECTRICITY, INCLUDING THE LA PAZ PROJECT

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

15. ESTABLISHMENT OF AN AD HOC COMMITTEE TO REVIEW AND REVISE THE STANDING RULES OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

Following discussion, the Board of Public Utilities decided to establish an Ad Hoc Committee to review and revise the Standing Rules of the Board of Public Utilities and discuss guidelines of Board Members' attendance (consequences of too many absences, etc.).

Board Chair Elliott appointed Board Member Susan Cash as Chair of the newly established Ad Hoc Committee. Ms. Cash requested two volunteers to be on the committee and Board Members Bernie Titus and Justin Scott-Coe volunteered.

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

- High Level Review of the Bond Rating Agency Procedure

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

17. Update on the Bond Issuances

General Manager Wright proudly reported that Standard and Poors rated Riverside Public Utilities Water Division with an AAA rating. Mr. Wright praised Assistant General Managers Reiko Kerr and Kevin Milligan for a great job in accomplishing this rating.

18. Update on the U.S. Fish and Wildlife's Designation of the Santa Ana River as Critical Habitat for the Santa Ana Sucker Fish

This update was DEFERRED to the next meeting

19. State and Federal Stimulus Fund Update - Discussion of any potential benefits to Riverside Public Utilities

20. State and Federal Legislative Update - Update on pending legislation that may impact the Water and/or Electric Utility

21. Monthly Power Supply Report – March 2011

22. City Council Agendas – April 19, 2011, April 26, 2011, and May 3, 2011.

23. Upcoming Meetings

24. Systematic Reporting on Conferences/Seminars

25. Electric / Water Utility Acronyms

UPCOMING MEETING

Chair Bob Elliott adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:32 a.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Utilities is to be held on **May 20, 2011** 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: May 20, 2011