

CITY OF RIVERSIDE

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

Minutes of: Regular Meeting of the Board of Public Utilities

Date of Meeting: October 17, 2014

Time of Meeting: 8:30 a.m.

Place of Meeting: Public Utilities Boardroom
3901 Orange Street
Riverside, California

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG WAS GIVEN

Roll Call

Present:	Justin Scott-Coe (Chair)	Ian Davidson (Vice Chair)
	Darrell Ament	Susan Cash
	David Roberts	Andrew Walcker
	Ron Cole	Dave Austin
	Nick Ferguson	

Absent: None.

PRESENTATIONS

1 EMPLOYEE RECOGNITIONS

None.

MINUTES

2 The regular meeting minutes from the Board of Public Utilities meeting held on October 3, 2014 were approved as submitted.

Motion – Cash. Second – Austin.

Ayes: Scott-Coe, Davidson, Ament, Cash, Roberts, Walcker, Cole, Austin, and Ferguson.

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

CITIZENS PARTICIPATION

Jason Hunter spoke regarding the Riverside City Charter and a letter he wrote to Chair Scott-Coe regarding the former Riverside Golf Course, Ab Brown Soccer Complex, and Reid Park and misuse of utility funds.

Raychele Sterling spoke regarding the Riverside City Charter, RPU misuse of funds and Greater Riverside Chamber of Commerce sponsorships by RPU and requested monthly figures on utility reserves, and GRCC sponsorships by RPU.

CONSENT CALENDAR

A motion was made to approve the following items on the Consent Calendar with the exception of Item 5, **UNDERGROUND ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION NEAR ADAMS STREET AND CAMELIA DRIVE FOR NEW TRACT 36654 - WORK ORDER NO. 1501689**, and Item 8, **CANCELLATION OF DECEMBER 5, 2014, DECEMBER 19, 2014 AND JANUARY 2, 2015 BOARD MEETINGS; CALL SPECIAL MEETINGS DECEMBER 12, 2014 AND JANUARY 23, 2015**, which were moved to the Discussion Calendar.

Motion – Austin. Second – Cole.

Ayes: Scott-Coe, Davidson, Ament, Cash, Roberts, Walcker, Cole, Austin, and Ferguson.

4 DISTRIBUTION AUTOMATION PROGRAM – APPROVAL TO AWARD A PURCHASE ORDER TO ONRAMP WIRELESS

The Board of Public Utilities approved a Professional Services Agreement in the amount of \$96,437.94 with OnRamp Wireless of San Diego, California, for the OnRamp Total Reach Communications Network.

5 MOVED TO DISCUSSION CALENDAR

Water Items

6 CALIFORNIA SOLAR INITIATIVE APPLICATION FEES FOR REBATE

The Board of Public Utilities recommended that the City Council approve the expenditure of funds in the amount of \$70,000 for California Solar Initiative incentive application fees.

Other Items

7 TERMINATION OF AMENDED AND RESTATED SAN ONOFRE NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION (SONGS) FIRM TRANSMISSION SERVICE AGREEMENT

The Board of Public Utilities recommended that the City Council:

1. Approve the termination of the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGS) Firm Transmission Service Agreement (TSA) following the permanent closure of the SONGS; and
2. Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to provide written notice to Southern California Edison to terminate the TSA pursuant to Section 5.2 of the Agreement.

8 MOVED TO DISCUSSION CALENDAR

9 BID NO. RPU-7266 – REJECTION OF BIDS FOR THE MISSION SQUARE FIFTH FLOOR TENANT IMPROVEMENTS

The Board of Public Utilities rejected all bids for Mission Square Fifth Floor Tenant Improvements, Bid No. RPU-7266, and release all bid guarantees.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

5 UNDERGROUND ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION NEAR ADAMS STREET AND CAMELIA DRIVE FOR NEW TRACT 36654 - WORK ORDER NO. 1501689

Board Member Andrew Walcker recused himself due to financial conflict of interest.

The Board of Public Utilities approved the estimated capital expenditure of \$125,000 for Work Order No. 1501689 for the installation of electrical distribution facilities for Tract 36654.

Motion – Austin. Second – Ferguson.

Ayes: Scott-Coe, Davidson, Ament, Cash, Roberts, Cole, Austin, and Ferguson.

Abstain: Andrew Walcker (recused himself due to financial conflict of interest)

8 CANCELLATION OF DECEMBER 5, 2014, DECEMBER 19, 2014 AND JANUARY 2, 2015 BOARD MEETINGS; CALL SPECIAL MEETINGS DECEMBER 12, 2014 AND JANUARY 23, 2015.

Board Member David Roberts requested this item be placed on the Discussion Calendar for more clarification of the dates in January 2015.

Following discussion, the Board of Public Utilities approved the cancellation of the Board of Public Utilities meetings on December 5, 2014, December 19, 2014 and the January 2, 2015 meetings and approved a Special Meeting on December 12, 2014 and January 23, 2015.

Motion – Roberts. Second – Cole.

Ayes: Scott-Coe, Davidson, Ament, Cash, Roberts, Walcker, Cole, Austin, and Ferguson.

10 REJECTION OF ALL BIDS FOR MAGNOLIA-PLAZA RELIABILITY PROJECT BID NO. 7268

Following discussion, the Board of Public Utilities rejected all bids for Bid No. 7268 for the Magnolia-Plaza Reliability Project Demolition and Site Preparation Contract, and approve the release of all bid guarantees.

Motion – Davidson. Second – Cole.

Ayes: Scott-Coe, Davidson, Ament, Cash, Roberts, Walcker, Cole, Austin, and Ferguson.

11 RIVERSIDE TRANSMISSION RELIABILITY PROJECT – INCREASE AUTHORIZATION OF WORK ORDER NO. 642975

Following discussion, the Board of Public Utilities authorized an increase of \$21,000,000 for Work Order No. 642975 from \$21,605,521 to \$42,605,521 to continue funding both the 69 kV and 230 kV components of the Riverside Transmission Reliability Project.

Motion – Cole. Second – Scott-Coe.

Ayes: Scott-Coe, Davidson, Ament, Cash, Roberts, Walcker, Cole, Austin, and Ferguson.

12 CONSTRUCTION OF THE BRUNTON 1-R WELL PROJECT (PHASE I) – AWARD OF BID NO. 7278

Following discussion, the Board of Public Utilities:

1. Awarded a contract for the construction of the Brunton 1-R Well Project (Phase I), Bid No. 7278 to the lowest responsive bidder, Best Drilling and Pump, Inc. of Colton, California, in the amount of \$917,615.00; and
2. Approved the capital expenditure of \$1,128,900 for Work Order No. 1501422, which includes all design, construction, change order contingencies, construction management and inspection for the Brunton 1-R Well Project (Phase I), Bid No. 7278.

Motion – Davidson. Second – Cole.

Ayes: Scott-Coe, Davidson, Ament, Cash, Roberts, Walcker, Cole, Austin, and Ferguson.

13 RIVERSIDE PUBLIC UTILITIES REPORTING OF WATER USE TO STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD IN COMPLIANCE WITH EMERGENCY WATER CONSERVATION REGULATIONS

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

Motion – Davidson. Second – Cole.

Ayes: Scott-Coe, Davidson, Ament, Cash, Roberts, Walcker, Cole, Austin, and Ferguson.

The Board of Public Utilities took a 5-minute break at this time.

14 RIVERSIDE PUBLIC UTILITIES SPACE PLANNING UPDATE

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

Motion – Cole. Second – Roberts.

Ayes: Scott-Coe, Davidson, Ament, Cash, Roberts, Walcker, Cole, Austin, and Ferguson.

BOARD MEMBER/STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

15 SYSTEMATIC REPORTING ON CONFERENCES/SEMINARS BY BOARD MEMBERS AND/OR STAFF

Board Vice-Chair Davidson reported that he attended the retirement reception of Mr. Charlie Fields from the WMWD Board.

General Manager Balachandran reported that he was a speaker at the SAWPA Conference on October 14 at the Riverside Convention Center

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

- Succession Workforce Update
- Impacts on increased energy costs – covered in presentations for the Integrated Resources Plan and the 10-Year Pro Forma

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

17 Safety Update

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

Deputy General Manager Steve Badgett gave a detailed presentation of legislative issues impacting the utility during this past session.

19 Committee Reports – Electric Committee, Water Committee, Customer Relations/Finance Committee (September 26, 2014)

20 RPU Board Quarterly Attendance Report – 2nd Qtr. (April-June) and 3rd Qtr. (July-September)

21 Electric / Water Contract Panel Update – October 2014

22 Open and Closed Work Orders – September 2014

23 Water Highlights – September 2014

24 Preliminary Year-End Financial Report – June 30, 2014

25 City Council Agendas – October 7, 2014

26 Upcoming Meetings

27 Electric / Water Utility Acronyms

Chair Justin Scott-Coe adjourned the meeting at approximately 10:35 a.m. The next regularly scheduled Board of Public Utilities meeting is to be held **November 7, 2014 at 8:30 a.m.** in the Public Utilities Boardroom located at 3901 Orange Street in Riverside, California.

By:



Girish Balachandran, Secretary
Board of Public Utilities

Approved by: City of Riverside Board of Public Utilities

Dated: November 7, 2014