

CITY OF RIVERSIDE

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

Minutes of: Board of Public Utilities

**PUBLIC HEARING — PROPOSED THREE-YEAR ELECTRIC RATE INCREASE
PLAN AND CHANGES TO ELECTRIC RATE STRUCTURES AND SCHEDULES**

Date of Meeting: November 15, 2007

Time of Meeting: 6:30 p.m.

Place of Meeting: Art Pick Council Chamber, City Hall
3900 Main Street (at Tenth & Main Streets)
Riverside, California

1. **CALL PUBLIC HEARING TO ORDER**

Chairman Joe Tavaglione called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

2. **ROLL CALL**

The following Board Members were present:

Joe Tavaglione (Chair)	Dave Barnhart (Vice Chair)
Bob Stockton	Ken Sutter
Robert Elliott	Bernie Titus
Ian Davidson	Jim Anderson

Absent: Mary Curtin (absence due to family illness)

3. **OPEN PUBLIC HEARING AND REVIEW OF RULES OF CONDUCT**

Chairman Joe Tavaglione announced in accordance with the published notice that the Board of Public Utilities was holding a Public Hearing to consider a proposed three-year Electric Utility Rate Plan, including changes to electric rate structures and schedules, implementation of a monthly reliability charge, conservation programs, and new programs to benefit low-income seniors and low-income disabled persons. Chair Tavaglione stated the following:

- A. The purpose of the hearing was to consider comments from anyone present regarding the Department's proposed changes;
- B. No action would be taken by the Board of Public Utilities at this meeting;
- C. The public would be allowed to address the Board of Public Utilities in order of sign up;
- D. Prior to receiving public input, the Board requested staff to provide a summary of the proposed changes.

PUBLIC UTILITIES GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS & STAFF PRESENTATION

General Manager Dave Wright gave an overview of the proposed electric rate plan.

After the presentation by General Manager Wright, Board Chairman Tavaglione opened the public hearing for public comments.

A motion was made to extend the time allotted for individuals to make comments from three minutes to four minutes.

Motion – Anderson. Second – Titus Barnhart.

Ayes: Tavaglione, Barnhart, Stockton, Sutter, Elliott, Titus, Davidson, and Anderson.

Noes: None

Abstain: None.

Absent: Mary Curtin (absence due to family illness)

5. **COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE**

Approximately 50+ citizens/business owners including representatives from the Chamber of Commerce were in attendance with 20 individuals commenting on the electric rate increase (see sign up roster). Everyone encouraged the public utilities to further educate the customers on conservation and emphasized that all electric customers should share in the costs and structure of the increase rate.

Upon conclusion of public comments, Board Chairman Tavaglione closed the public hearing and turned to the Board Members for comment.

6. **CLOSED PUBLIC HEARING**

A motion was made to close the public hearing.

Motion – Barnhart. Second – Stockton.

Ayes: Tavaglione, Barnhart, Stockton, Sutter, Elliott, Titus, Davidson, and Anderson.

Noes: None

Abstain: None.

Absent: Mary Curtin (absence due to family illness)

7. **CLOSING COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD MEMBERS**

Each board member gave comments.

8. **ADJOURN**

Chairman Joe Tavaglione adjourned the meeting at 8:18 p.m. to the meeting of the Board of Public Utilities to be held on Friday, November 16, 2007, at **8:30** a.m. in the Public Utilities Board Room 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 7, 2007