



SPECIAL MEETING  
OF THE  
**BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES**  
**PUBLIC HEARING**  
**AGENDA**

July 13, 2005  
6:30 p.m.

**ART PICK COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL**

3900 Main Street (at Tenth & Main Streets)  
Riverside, California

**PROPOSED ELECTRIC OVERHEAD TO UNDERGROUND FUNDING, CHANGES TO CROSS-CONNECTIONS AND POLLUTION OF SUPPLY AND RECYCLED WATER RULES, AND CHANGES TO WATER AND ELECTRIC RULES, RATES, AND FEES.**

1. Call Public Hearing to Order
2. Roll Call of Board of Public Utilities
3. Open Public Hearing and Review Rules of Conduct
4. Staff will present recommendations on the following items:

**A. Proposed Electric Overhead to Underground Funding**

The Electric Utility does not have adequate funding to meet additional requests from the general public and members of the City Council and Board of Public Utilities to convert overhead electric utility lines to underground. Staff was directed to obtain community input and bring this information back to the public hearing.

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## **B. Proposed Changes to Water and Electric Rules, Rates, and Fees**

### **Electric Rules, Rates, and Fees**

The Electric Rules of the City of Riverside Public Utilities Department provide for certain fees to recover the direct costs of providing temporary electric service. The City of Riverside Public Utilities Department, Energy Delivery Division has faced increased costs for labor, materials, equipment, and fuel since publication and adoption of the Electric Rules on September 1, 2002. Prudent fiscal policy dictates full cost recovery for these temporary electric services. Several modifications to the electric rules are proposed to support the goals and objectives of the City. Additionally, language needs to be added to clarify the intent of Electric Rate Schedule Time Of Use (TOU).

### **Water Rules and Fees**

The Water Rules of the City of Riverside Public Utilities Department provide for certain fees and charges to recover direct and indirect costs of providing infrastructure for new development. The City of Riverside Public Utilities Department, Water Division has faced increased costs for labor, materials, equipment, and fuel since publication and adoption of the Water Rules in May 2003. The proposed fees properly recovery costs for labor and material related to new development work.

New fees, to recover costs associated with the backflow protection program, and with purchased water charges are proposed.

## **C. Proposed Changes to Cross-Connections and Pollution of Supply and Recycled Water Rules**

California Department of Health Services (DHS) mandated the City to expand Rule 18, Recycled Water Rules, to include non-potable water use. To increase the level and efficiency of the protection against contamination of the public water system, staff proposes to designate "Reduced Pressure Principle Assembly (RP)" devices as the primary meter service protection device under Rule 13, Cross-Connections and Pollution of Supply. These changes would increase the level of protection for the City owned water system from cross connection and potential contamination from these sources.

5. Comments from audience – Individual participation is generally limited to 3 minutes.
6. Closing Comments from Board Members
7. Close Public Hearing
8. Adjourn meeting to Regular Meeting on August 5, 2005 at 8:15 a.m. in the Art Pick Council Chamber, 3900 Main Street (City Hall)