

TO:

Brownsville Public Utilities Board

Date: May 31, 2024

FROM:

Art Rendon, Chair

SUBJECT:

Notice of a Regular Board Meeting

MEETING DATE:

June 3, 2024

MEETING TIME: MEETING LOCATION:

5:00 PM BPUB Annex Building

**Board Room** 

1425 Robinhood Drive Brownsville, Texas 78521

Dial In:

1-408-418-9388

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DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING MATTERS:

## **MEETING AGENDA**

- A. Call Open Meeting to Order at 5:00 PM
- B. Confirmation of a Quorum
- C. Pledge of Allegiance for U.S. Flag and Texas Flag & Moment of Silence
- D. Workshop or Public Hearing(s)
  None
- E. Consent Agenda Items
  - 1. Approval of Board Minutes of the March 11, 2024 Regular Meeting
  - 2. Consideration and Possible Action to Approve Bid Award for the Phase 2-Service Center Additional Pole Yard Fencing—Diane Solitaire

- 3. Consideration and Possible Action to Approve Bid Award for the Annual Supply of Fuel for the Second Year—Diane Solitaire
- Consideration and Possible Action for Approval of Proposal of VMware Software Renewal for the Brownsville Public Utilities Board Information Technology Administrative Network—Eddy Hernandez
- Consideration and Possible Action for Approval of Proposal Award for the Purchase of Dell Enterprise Blade Servers for Brownsville Public Utilities Board Information Technology Administrative Network—Eddy Hernandez
- 6. Consideration and Approval for Payment of the First Year Subscription Agreement of the Smartworks Program for the Advanced Metering Infrastructure Project—Eddy Hernandez
- Consideration and Possible Action to Amend Brownsville Public Utilities Board Personnel Policies and Procedures Policy No. 1 – Policy, Business Ethics and Conduct Statements—Emilia Guerra

## F. Items for Individual Consideration

- 1. General Manager's Report
  - a. Board Calendar-Marilyn D. Gilbert
  - b. Industry and BPUB Updates-Marilyn D. Gilbert
- 2. Public Comments
  - PUBLIC COMMENTS WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTED IN WRITING NO LATER THAN ONE (1) HOUR IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING BY SENDING THEM TO PublicComments@brownsville-pub.com. In the body of the email please include date, your name, your address, phone number, agenda item number, if applicable, or subject of discussion, and your comments.
  - THERE IS A <u>THREE (3)-MINUTE TIME LIMIT PER SPEAKER</u>. THE PRESIDING OFFICER MAY, BUT IS NOT REQUIRED TO, ALLOW ADDITIONAL TIME TO A SPEAKER.
  - THE SPEAKER MUST IDENTIFY BY NAME, ADDRESS, AND ORGANIZATIONAL AFFILIATION (IF ANY) BEFORE SPEAKING.
  - QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO THE BOARD AS A WHOLE, NOT TO INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBERS, THE CEO, OR MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE.
  - IF AN ISSUE ADDRESSED IS NOT INCLUDED ON THE AGENDA, NO FORMAL ACTION WILL BE TAKEN
- 3. Consideration and Action on Items Pulled Out of Consent
- 4. Staff Reports and Presentations to the Board
  - a. Conservation Superheroes Drawing Contest-Miguel Collis
  - b. Financial Report—Miguel Perez
  - c. Human Resources Report-Emilia Guerra
  - d. PUBCAP Update—Ryan Greenfeld
  - e. Drought Update—Guadalupe Garcia
  - f. Potential Future Projects and Funding Requirements to Meet Local Economic Growth—Mark Dombroski
  - g. Resaca Fees and Ongoing Operations-Marie Leal
- 5. Consideration and Possible Approval of a Sponsorship Request from the Gladys Porter Zoo-Ryan Greenfeld
- Presentation and Possible Action on the Adoption of Fees and Charges Required to Implement or Enforce the City of Brownsville Ordinance 2018-983-DD Cross Connection Control and Back Flow Prevention Program—Albert Gomez Jr

7. Consideration and Possible Approval of Amendment of the Rules Governing the Board of Directors, Rule VIII (Board Order of Business)—Paul Gonzalez

## G. Recess to Closed Meeting

RECESS TO CLOSED MEETING to Consider Matters Pursuant to Tex. Government Code Chapter 551, et seq.

At this time the items on the Agenda designated for Closed Meeting will be considered. If there is an approved motion to go into Closed Meeting the listeners will be placed on "hold" until the Board returns to Open Meeting.

- 1. Meeting with Board's legal counsel for advice about contemplated and pending court and administrative litigation and on matters in which the duty of the attorney under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct conflicts with Chapter 551 (Sec. 551.071), including but not limited to the following:
  - a. Reports of local and special counsel.
  - b. Discussion and consultation with Board Counsel regarding legal issues pertaining to BTX Fiber Project Installation Repairs,
  - c. Negotiations to extend Facilities to potential customer within the Port of Brownsville,
  - d. Ongoing negotiations related to the potential extension of facilities for SpaceX,
  - e. Retention of counsel for specialized matters, and
  - f. Priorities in the Texas Legislature.
- 2. Presentation, discussion, and possible recommendation of information upon pricing of purchased power, generation, and fuel and their impact upon the Fuel, Purchased Energy, and Marketing Charge (Sec. 551.086).

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## H. Consideration and Action on Closed Meeting Items

- 1. Consideration and Possible Action on Items Discussed in Closed Meeting
- I. Consideration and Action on Future Agenda Items

1. Discussion and/or Requests for Future Agenda Items

J. Adjournment

Art Kendon Chair

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The meeting will be conducted in accordance with Board Resolution No. 2023-0615 (IC5), the "Rules of the Public Utilities Board," Once the Meeting is convoined with a quorum present, the Presiding Officer may change the order of business for purposes of accommodation of the Board members or participants and to permit a more orderly consideration of related agenda items.

The BPUB reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time to discuss any of the matters listed above, as authorized by Texas Government Code § 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), § 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), § 551.074 (Personnel Matters), § 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices), § 551.086 (Public Utility Competitive Matters), § 551.087 (Economic Development), and § 551.089 (Department of Information Resources).

I certify that a copy of the foregoing agenda of items to be considered by the BPUB was posted on the BPUB website on 5/3/124.

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