

TO:

Brownsville Public Utilities Board

Date: February 12, 2024

FROM:

Art Rendon, Chair

SUBJECT:

Notice of a Regular Board Meeting

MEETING DATE:

February 15, 2024

MEETING TIME:

5:00 PM

MEETING LOCATION:

BPUB Annex Building

Board Room

1425 Robinhood Drive Brownsville, Texas 78521

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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:
 - a. October 9, 2023 Regular Meeting
 - b. November 13, 2023 Regular Meeting
- 2. Consideration and Possible Action to Approve Board Travel in Accordance with the Statement of Policy for Travel by Members of the Board of Directors of the Brownsville Public Utilities Board—Marilyn D. Gilbert

- 3. Consideration and Possible Approval of a Professional Geotechnical Engineering Services Contract for Materials Testing Services with Terracon Consultants, Inc. for the Downtown Water and Wastewater Improvements ARPA Project 2—Marie C. Leal
- 4. Consideration and Possible Approval of a Professional Archeological Construction Monitoring Services Contract with Terracon Consultants, Inc. for the Downtown Water and Wastewater Improvements ARPA Projects 1 and 2—Marie C. Leal
- Consideration and Possible Action to Purchase One 2025 Year Model 114SD Roll-Off Truck— Marie C. Leal
- 6. Consideration and Possible Action for Approval to Purchase One TA60 60-Foot Bucket Truck—Marie C. Leal
- 7. Consideration and Possible Action to Purchase Three Digger Derrick Trucks—Marie C. Leal
- 8. Consideration and Possible Action to Approve Proposal Award for the Cellular Data Services for Three Years—Eddy Hernandez
- 9. Consideration and Possible Action to Extend the Contract for the Annual Supply of Liquid Aluminum-Based Water Treatment Coagulant—Jaime Estrada
- 10. Consideration and Possible Action for Bid Award, Contract Negotiations, and Execution of the Re-Bid of the Utility Locate Services—Cesar A. Cortinas

F. Items for Individual Consideration

- 1. General Manager's Report
 - a. Board Calendar-Marilyn D. Gilbert
 - b. Industry and BPUB Updates—Marilyn D. Gilbert
 - c. Employee Recognition Awards and Video

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. Financial Report—Monica Cavazos
 - b. Engineering and Legal Fees Monthly Expenses—Monica Cavazos
 - c. City of Brownsville Capital Work Orders Report—Monica Cavazos
 - d. Procurement Summary—Diane solitaire
 - e. Quarterly Investment Report—Jorge Santillan
 - f. 2023 Annual Report—Miguel Collis/Ryan Greenfeld
 - g. Drought Update-Lupe Garcia
- 5. Consideration and Approval of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the Period Ending September 30, 2023—Miguel A. Perez

 Consideration and Possible Action on the Replacement of the Investment Advisor for the Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) Trust Administered by Public Agency Retirement Services (PARS)—Miguel A. Perez

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).
- 2. Discussion and consultation with Board Counsel of any contemplated and pending litigation involving Brownsville Public Utilities Board (Sec. 551.071).
- 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).

RECONVENE OPEN MEETING

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

Art Rendon, Chair

Adjournment

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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 convened 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).

1 certify that a copy of the February 15, 2024 agenda of items to be considered by the BPUB was posted on 2/12/24.

ATTEST:

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