

Art Rendon, Board Chair

Notice of a Regular Board Meeting of the Brownsville Public Utilities Board

MEETING DATE:

April 14, 2025

MEETING TIME:

5:00 PM

MEETING LOCATION:

BPUB Annex Building

Board Room

1425 Robinhood Drive Brownsville, Texas 78521

Dial In: 1-408-418-9388 Access Code: 2484 073 8391 ##

In accordance with Tex. Gov't Code §551.127, NOTICE is hereby given that a physical quorum, including the presiding officer/member, will be present at the specified meeting location. Some members of the board and/or administration may participate via videoconference.

Members of the public may listen to the meeting as it is being held by dialing one of the numbers listed below (same access code above). Because of technology limitations, only a limited number of callers will be allowed to call in, however, a recording of the meeting will be made available to the public after the meeting on BPUB's website: https://www.brownsville-pub.com/events/board-of-directors-meeting-5-2025-04-14/

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING MATTERS: MEETING AGENDA

- A. Call to Order
- 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)
- E. 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 THREE (3)-MINUTE TIME LIMIT PER SPEAKER. 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.

F. Consent Agenda Items

- 1. Approval of Minutes of the January 13, 2025 Regular Board Meeting -
- 2. Consideration and Possible Action on the Review of the following Brownsville Public Utilities Board Committees Charters:
 - a. Consideration and Possible Action on the Compensation Committee Charter Sergio Delgadillo
 - Consideration and Possible Action on the Facilities/Program Committee Charter -Constanza Miner
 - c. Consideration and Possible Action on the Finance Committee Charter Miguel Perez
 - d. Consideration and Possible Action on the Regulatory/Policy Committee Charter George Rangel
- 3. Consideration and Possible Action to Approve Proposal Award for Delinquent Account Collection Services George Rangel
- 4. Consideration and Possible Action for Bid Award for Purchase of Ten (10) Circuit Breakers Diane Solitaire
- 5. Consideration and Possible Action for Purchase of the Supply of AMI-compatible Water Meters for Inventory Stock Diane Solitaire
- 6. Consideration and Possible Approval of Computer Equipment for the Yearly Computer Replacement Program. Jose Luis Lopez Jr.
- 7. Consideration and Possible Action for Proposal Award to Purchase Capacitor Banks

for Ongoing Substation Projects - Cesar A. Cortinas

- 8. Consideration and Possible Action for Bid Award for the Purchase of the Material Package for the Ocelot Substation Cesar A. Cortinas
- Consideration and Possible Action for Bid Award for the Annual Contract for Concrete Work - Jaime Estrada
- Consideration and Possible Action to Amend the Purchase Order for the Rental of Three (3) AA55 60 Foot Bucket Trucks - Eli Alvarez
- Consideration and Possible Action to Approve Reimbursement to the City of Brownsville for Utility Improvements as Part of the Reconstruction of Street Paving and Utility Improvements on Calvin Street in the City of Brownsville Texas, BID #030-25-EPW-IFB - Marie Leal

G. Items for Individual Consideration

- 1. General Manager's Report:
 - a. Board Calendar
 - b. Industry and BPUB Updates Marilyn D. Gilbert
- 2. Consideration and Action on Items Pulled Out of Consent -
- 3. Staff Reports and Presentations to the Board
 - a. Financial Report Miguel Perez
 - b. Water and Wastewater Charge Comparison Miguel Perez
 - c. Quarterly Report on GM/CEO Procurement Authorizations Diane Solitaire
 - d. Drought Update Jaime Flores
 - e. 2025 Water Strategy: Update Mark Dombroski
- 4. Consideration and Possible Action to Approve Updates to the Debt Obligations Post Issuance Compliance Policy Monica Cavazos
- 5. Discussion of the Annual Debt Obligations Post Issuance Compliance Certification by the Chief Financial Officer Monica Cavazos
- 6. Presentation and Discussion on the use of Resaca Fee Funds Miguel Perez

H. 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, including regarding potential and pending litigation involving BPUB;
 - b. Updates on pending discussions with City of Brownsville, including MOU and BTX/Lit strikes;
 - c. Updates on contract negotiations related to large scale business development; and
 - d. Exposure to effects of tariffs. Paul Gonzalez, Juan Pequeno
- 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) - Miguel Perez
- 3. Presentation and discussion on the Brownsville Public Utilities Board Substation and Control Center video camera replacement and upgrade (Secs. 551.076, Sec. 551.086 & Sec. 551.089). Eli Alvarez, Mark Dombroski, Estrella Solorzano, Marilyn D. Gilbert, Eduardo Martinez
- 4. Consideration and discussion regarding the proposed Memorandum of Understanding between the Brownsville Public Utilities Board and the City of Brownsville regarding services provided to each other (Sec. 551.071). Paul Gonzalez, Juan Pequeno

RECONVENE OPEN MEETING

I. Consideration and Action on Closed Meeting Items

- 1. Consideration and Possible Action on Items Discussed in Closed Meeting -
- 2. Consideration and Action on the Brownsville Public Utilities Board Substation and Control Center Video Camera Replacement and Upgrade Eli Alvarez, Mark Dombroski, Estrella Solorzano, Marilyn D. Gilbert, Eduardo Martinez
- 3. Consideration and Possible Action on the Memorandum of Understanding between the Brownsville Public Utilities Board and the City of Brownsville regarding Services Provided to Each Other, Authorizing the General Manager and Chief Executive Officer to Negotiate and Execute Same Paul Gonzalez, Juan Pequeno

J. Consideration and Action on Future Agenda Items

1. Discussion and/or Requests for Future Agenda Items -

Adjournment

Art Rendon (Apr 11, 2025 14:42 CDT)

Art Rendon, Board Chair

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).

I certify that a copy of the foregoing agenda of items to be considered by the BPUB was posted on 4/11/25.

ATTEST:

, Recording Secretary

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