

CITY OF RIVERSIDE

BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

Minutes of: Public Hearing / "Special" Meeting of the Board of Public Utilities
Date of Meeting: January 6, 2010
Time of Meeting: 8:00 a.m.
Place of Meeting: Public Utilities Boardroom
3901 Orange Street (at Ninth & Orange Streets)
Riverside, California

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG WAS GIVEN

PUBLIC HEARING

Chair Bob Stockton called the public hearing meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Chair Stockton stated to the audience that the Board of Public Utilities was holding a public hearing to receive public input regarding the proposal to RE-OPEN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT RATE FOR NEW AND EXPANDED LOAD CUSTOMERS, ADD "GREEN" BUSINESSES TO ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA, AND ESTABLISH A NEW BUSINESS RETENTION RATE FOR EXISTING CUSTOMERS. Comments of any individual would be limited to three minutes and would be heard in order of sign up.

Roll Call was called and all Board Members were present except for Mary Curtin and Gustavo Segura, who both arrived later.

Roll Call

Present:	Bob Stockton (Chair)	Ken Sutter (Vice Chair)
	Mary Curtin	Robert Elliott
	Bernie Titus	Ian Davidson
	Manny Sanchez	Justin Scott-Coe
	Gustavo Segura	

Absent: None.

Staff Presentation

Prior to receiving public input, the Board requested staff to provide a summary of the process, which was presented by General Manager Dave Wright.

Comments from the Audience

Representatives from Greater Riverside Chambers of Commerce, Cindy Roth and Lou Monville, both spoke on their support of the proposed ED Rate and BR Rate.

Close Public Hearing

There were no other comments regarding this matter, so the Board of Public Utilities closed the public hearing.

Motion – Titus. Second – Curtin.

Ayes: Stockton, Sutter, Curtin, Elliott, Titus, Davidson, Sanchez, Segura, and Scott-Coe.

Noes: None

Abstain: None.

Closing Comments from the Board Members

Motion to Adopt Resolution

- A. RE-OPEN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT RATE FOR NEW AND EXPANDED LOAD CUSTOMERS, ADD "GREEN" BUSINESSES TO ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA, AND ESTABLISH A NEW BUSINESS RETENTION RATE FOR EXISTING CUSTOMERS

Board Chair Stockton requested that the Board consider amending the resolution to increasing the year one reduction under Electric Rate Schedule BR from 15% to 25% and correct the term of the agreement under Electric Rate Schedule BR from four years to two years.

Board Member Titus requested that a 4th recommendation be added to read as follows:

4. Recommend that City Council direct staff to ensure that, in the event of closure of the ED rate, businesses under consideration for the ED rate are given six months to complete the application process.

Following discussion, the Board of Public Utilities:

1. Conducted a public hearing to receive public input related to the re-opening of the Schedule ED Rate for new or expanded load industrial customers, add "green" businesses to eligibility criteria, and the establishment of the new Business Retention Rate (Schedule BR) for existing industrial customers;
2. Adopted a resolution establishing Electric Rate Schedule ED and Electric Rate Schedule BR, including increasing the year one reduction under Electric Rate Schedule BR from 15% to 25% ;
3. Recommended that the City Council adopt the appropriate resolution approving the above recommendations; and
4. Recommended that City Council direct staff to ensure that, in the event of closure of the ED rate, businesses under consideration for the ED rate are given six months to complete the application process.

Motion – Davidson. Second – Curtin.

Ayes: Stockton, Sutter, Curtin, Elliott, Titus, Davidson, Sanchez, Segura, and Scott-Coe.

Noes: None

Abstain: None.

Absent: None.

UPCOMING MEETING

Chairman Bob Stockton adjourned the meeting at 9:20 a.m. to the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Public Utilities to be held on **Friday, January 15**, at **8:30** a.m. in the Public Utilities Boardroom 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: January 15, 2010