



CITY OF RIALTO
REGULAR MEETING OF THE UTILITIES COMMISSION
April 15, 2025 - 6:00 P.M.
MINUTES

The Regular meeting of the Utilities Commission of the City of Rialto was held in the Civic Center Council Chambers located at 150 S. Palm Avenue, Rialto, California 92376, on Tuesday, April 15, 2025.

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This meeting was in accordance with the provision of the **Government Code §54956** of the State of California.

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CALL TO ORDER

Chair Barbara Rickman called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

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ROLL CALL

The roll call was taken by Nicole Hemmans, Senior Administrative Analyst.

Present:

Chair Barbara Rickman
Commissioner James M. Shields
Commissioner Kevin C. Kobbe

Absent:

None.

City staff present:

John Rossi, Interim Utilities Director
Amy Crow, Administrative Analyst
Nicole Hemmans, Senior Administrative Analyst
Robert Khuu, Assistant City Attorney

Also present:

Robert Lee, Customer Service Manager – RWS/Veolia
Andrew Coleman, Field Operations Supervisor – RWS/Veolia
Jason Howard, CIP Project Engineer – RWS/Veolia
Frank Garza, Wastewater Chief Plant Operator – RWS/Veolia

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Barbara Rickman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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**MOMENT OF SILENCE/
INVOCATION**

Nicole Hemmans led the invocation.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting of April 15, 2025.

Chair Rickman asked if there were any comments pertaining to the minutes.

- ◆ None.

Action

- ◆ Commissioner Kobbe made a motion to approve.
- ◆ Commissioner Shields seconded.
- ◆ All in favor.
- ◆ Motion passed.

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ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Chair Rickman asked if there was oral communication from the audience of items not on the agenda.

- ◆ None.

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NEW BUSINESS ITEMS

UC-25-0287

Monthly activity report for City of Rialto Waste Management Services. (RECEIVE AND FILE)

Amy Crow went over the Monthly Waste Management Report for the month of April 2025. (March 2025 Reporting Period).

Questions & Comments

- ◆ None

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UC-25-0279

Veolia's Operations and Maintenance Monthly Report (RECEIVE AND FILE)

Receive and file the Monthly Operations Report from Veolia for the month of April 2025 (February 2025 Reporting Period).

Customer Service update provided by Robert Lee:

Questions & Comments

- ◆ Chair Rickman asked what caused the consumption to increase to 57.3% in February from 25.7% the month before, when there were fewer days in February than the month before.
 - Many factors affect water consumption from month to month, which may cause a month with fewer days to have more consumption than a month with more days. Sometimes it is due

to the timing of the billing cycle. Other factors can be related to the impacts of rainfall. Mr. Lee will provide an addendum at the next meeting to show where the water is going.

Water update provided by Andrew Coleman:
Questions & Comments

- ◆ None

Wastewater update provided by Frank Garza:
Questions & Comments

- ◆ None

CIP update provided by Jason Brandon:
Questions & Comments

- ◆ None.

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OLD BUSINESS

UC-25-0281

Previous Discussion

There were no items for discussion.

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UC-25-0280

To-Do List

No agenda items were posted for future discussion.

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**UTILITIES DIRECTOR
UPDATES**

UC-25-0282

Utilities Director Update

Interim Utilities Director John Rossi provided an update to the commissioners on the following items:

Utilities Director Update:

- 1) Final Construction Work Authorization (FCWA) for Well City3A
- 2) RFP for Rate Consultant

Questions & Comments:

- ◆ Who, with RWS/Veolia, will fulfill the obligation of attending the Utilities Commission meeting as outlined in section 5.1(p) of the Concession agreement.
 - John Rossi will provide an update on who will be replacing RWS/Veolia's attendance roll at the Utilities Commission meeting after the retirement of Rolf Olemutz.

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COMMISSIONER REPORTS

There were no Commissioner Reports.

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ADJOURNMENT

Action

- ◆ Commissioner Shields made a motion to adjourn.
- ◆ Commissioner Kobbe seconded.
- ◆ All in favor.
- ◆ Motion carried.

- ◆ Meeting adjourned at 6:26 p.m.