



CITY OF RIALTO
REGULAR MEETING OF THE UTILITIES COMMISSION
JULY 20, 2021 - 6:00 P.M.
MINUTES

In compliance with social distancing protocols, the Regular meeting of the Utilities Commission of the City of Rialto was held from remote locations via teleconference within the guidelines of Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-29-20 on Tuesday, July 20, 2021.

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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

Vice Chairperson Hayes called the meeting to order at 6:03 P.M.

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ROLL CALL

The roll call was taken by Commission Clerk, Dayan Malfavon.

Present:

Vice-Chairperson June Hayes
Commissioner Richard "Kim" Chitwood
Commissioner Kevin C. Kobbe
Commissioner James M. Shields

Absent:

Chairperson Barbara Zrelak-Rickman

City Staff Present:

Tom Crowley, Susanne Wilcox, Amy Crow, and Dayan Malfavon.

Also Present:

Paul Savage, Mike Newton, Rolf Ohlemutz, Chandrasekar Venkatraman (CV), Marlon Brosco, Robert Lee, David Terry, Soheil Sadighi.

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Kobbe led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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INVOCATION

Commissioner Chitwood led the Invocation.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- ◆ Commissioner Kobbe moved to approve the minutes for the Regular Meeting of May 18, 2021 as written.
- ◆ Commissioner Shields seconded the motion.
- ◆ Motion carried.
- ◆ Vote: 3 in favor of approval of the minutes as written. Commissioner Chitwood abstained from voting.

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ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

- ◆ Vice- Chairperson Hayes asked if there were any oral communications from the public not on the agenda.
- ◆ There were none.

NEW BUSINESS ITEMS

ITEM 1- Monthly Activity Report for City of Rialto Waste Management Services **(RECEIVE AND FILE)**

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- ◆ Amy Crow briefly reviewed the monthly Waste Management Report.
- ◆ Crow reviewed scavenger report, and special collection.
- ◆ Crow informed Burrtec is still dealing with a security breach and has not been able to provide a tonnage report.
- ◆ Crow informed the Commission that the Oil Filter Exchange Program will not be happening at the originally scheduled Pep Boys location as the store is reopening under new ownership.
- ◆ Crow suggested moving the event to O'Reilleys on Willow Avenue and Foothill Boulevard.
- ◆ A conversation ensued regarding tires collected that are still on rims.

Questions & Comments

- ◆ Commissioner Chitwood asked if the next Household Hazardous Waste Collection even will also include shredding.
- ◆ Commissioner Kobbe asked how many tires residents are allowed to dispose of at the Community Clean-Up event.
- ◆ Commissioner Chitwood asked Crow if Advanced Auto Parts replacing all Pep Boys stores.
- ◆ Vice-Chairperson Hayes asked Crow if there may be fraudulent reasons why people would collect tires for others and dispose of them at the Community Clean-Up event.

Action

- ◆ **The Commission received and accepted the report.**

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ITEM 2- Receive and File Report on the Water Infrastructure Finance Innovation Act Program. **(RECEIVE AND FILE)**

- ◆ Crowley reviewed the staff report with the Commission.

Questions & Comments

- ◆ Commissioner Chitwood asked Crowley where the proposed projects would be constructed.
- ◆ Commissioner Kobbe asked Crowley if the City is still planning on absorbing the County pockets within the City boundaries.
- ◆ Vice-Chairperson Hayes commented she is unable to comment on this item as there is a conflict of interest with San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District.

Action

- ◆ **The Commission received and accepted the report.**

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ITEM 3- Veolia's Monthly Maintenance and Operations Report **(RECEIVE AND FILE)**

- ◆ CV provided an update on the following Capital Improvement projects:
 - S1- Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements Project.
- ◆ Terry provided current updates to the monthly Water Operations.
 - Chino Well
 - Rialto Well #3

- ◆ Lee reviewed the monthly Customer Service Report.
- ◆ Brosco reviewed the Wastewater Operations Report and provided current updates.
- ◆ Brosco introduced Mike Newton and spoke briefly about Newton's professional background.

Questions & Comments

- ◆ Vice-Chairperson Hayes asked Brosco if he will continue presenting the wastewater report.

Action

- ◆ **The Commission received and accepted the report.**

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OLD BUSINESS

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ITEM 1- Previous Discussion Updates

- ◆ There were none.

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ITEM 2- To Do List

- ◆ To Do List was discussed.

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UTILITIES MANAGER UPDATES

- ◆ Crowley informed the Commission that a Professional Service Agreement with Soto Resources was approved at the last Council Meeting for preparation of grants for the City of Rialto, focusing on Lake Rialto.
- ◆ Crowley informed the Commission that the City of Rialto submitted applications to SCE for the Self Generation Incentive Program and received preliminary approval for \$3.6 million dollars.
- ◆ Crowley presented a public service announcement video from Service Line Warranties of America Insurance in regard to repair service plans for water and waste water lateral lines.

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COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

- ◆ Commissioner Kobbe informed Crowley of a leak at the hydro plant water facility on Riverside Avenue.
- ◆ Vice-Chairperson Hayes spoke about the upcoming Orange County Water Summit and asked who is interested in attending.

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ADJOURNMENT

- ◆ **Commissioner Shields made a motion to adjourn the meeting.**
- ◆ **Commissioner Chitwood seconded motion.**
- ◆ **Motion Carried.**
- ◆ **Meeting adjourned at 7:07 P.M.**