



CITY OF AZUSA

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

OF THE AZUSA UTILITY BOARD/CITY COUNCIL

MONDAY, MARCH 26, 2012 – 6:30 P.M.

The Utility Board/City Council of the City of Azusa met in regular session, at the above date and time, at the Azusa Light and Water Conference Room, located at 729 N. Azusa Avenue, Azusa, California.

Chairman Hanks called the meeting to order.

Call to Order

Chief of Police Sam Gonzalez led in the Flag Salute.

Flag Salute

ROLL CALL

Roll Call

PRESENT: BOARD MEMBERS: GONZALES, CARRILLO, MACIAS, HANKS, ROCHA

ABSENT: BOARD MEMBERS: NONE

ALSO PRESENT:

Also Present

City Attorney Carvalho, City Manager Makshanoff, Director of Utilities Morrow, Assistant to the Director of Utilities Kalscheuer, Assistant Director Water Operations Anderson, Assistant Director of Customer Service and Care Vanca, Assistant Director of Resource Management Lehr, Public Works Director/Assistant City Manager Haes, Assistant Director of Electric Operations Langit, Director of Economic and Community Development Christiansen, Chief Financial Officer Kreimeier, Library Director Johnson, Director of Recreation and Family Services Jacobs, Public Information Officer Quiroz, Finance Controller Paragas, Director of Information Services Graf, Assistant Library Director Strege, Chief of Police Gonzalez, City Clerk Mendoza, Deputy City Clerk Toscano.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Pub Part

Mr. Jorge Rosales addressed the Board Members and questioned why the item regarding Feasibility Study for sludge handling facilities did not go out to bid, why the item regarding Athens Services Refuse rate adjustment commercial rates were increased and there was a reduction in cubic area, which was opposite residential rates. Staff advised that this item is only to schedule a Public Hearing for June 18, 2012 to consider a refuse adjustment and questions may be addressed at that Public Hearing. With regard to item Contract for Electronic Commerce Services, he questioned getting a late fee notice in the mail the next day after payments are due; he receives one every month and is concerned about the cost of mailing. Staff responded to the questions posed.

J. Rosales
Comments

UTILITIES DIRECTOR COMMENTS

Dir Comment

Director of Utilities Morrow provided an update on the water supply stating that there is a 45% increase in snow pack. He stated that there will be notices posted to use water wisely.

Water Update

UTILITY BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

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Election of Officers:

Election

Moved by Board Member Gonzales, seconded by Board Member Rocha and unanimously carried to appoint Board Member Carrillo as Chairman of the Utility Board.

Carrillo – Chair

Moved by Board Member Gonzales, seconded by Board Member Rocha and unanimously carried to appoint Board Member Macias as Vice Chairman of the Utility Board.

Macias – Vice Chair

The **CONSENT CALENDAR** consisting of Items D-1 through D-4, were approved by motion of Board Member Hanks, seconded by Board Member Gonzales and unanimously carried.

Consent Cal Appvd

1. The minutes of the regular meeting of February 27, 2012, were approved as written.
2. Approval was given to award a Professional Services Agreement to Civiltec Engineering Inc. to provide engineering services for the preparation of a feasibility study of various sludge handling facility options for the Hsu-Canyon Membrane Water Filtration.
3. Approval was given to schedule public hearing for regular City Council Meeting on June 18, 2012 to consider refuse rate adjustment for Athens Services, and authorize staff to prepare and mail public notice of said hearing.
4. Approval was given for Amendment No. 2 to Long-Term Power Purchase Agreement (Wind Power) between Iberdrola Renewables, Inc. and City of Azusa, and the Director of Utilities was authorized to execute the agreement.

Minutes appvd

PSA Civiltec Engr Sludge Handling

Pub Hrg Refuse Rate June 18, 2012

Pur Agmt Iberdrola Renewables

SPECIAL CALL ITEM

Spec Call Item

None.

None

SCHEDULED ITEMS

Sched Items

Local Resource Adequacy Capacity Purchase for 2013 from Calpine/Shell.

Pur Capacity

Moved by Board Member Hanks, seconded by Board Member Macias and unanimously carried to approve a Local Resource Adequacy Capacity purchase of 31 MW for calendar year 2013 from Calpine (transacted through a “confirm” with Shell acting on Calpine’s behalf), and the Director of Utilities was authorized to execute the associated Confirmation Agreement.

Pur Local Res Adequacy Capacity Calpine/Shell

“No Cost” Letter of Intent with SAIC to Identify the Cost and Benefits of Installing a Local Smart Grid.

Letter of Intent SAIC Local Smart Grid

Lengthy discussion was held regarding the matter, it was then moved by Board Member Hanks, seconded by Board Member Macias and unanimously carried to authorize the Director of Utilities to finalize and execute a “no cost” Letter of Intent with an engineering consultant, SAIC, to identify the cost and benefits of a potential smart grid service procurement by Azusa Light & Water.

Award of Contract for Electronic Commerce Services to Wells Fargo.

Electronic
Commerce
Service
Wells Fargo

Discussion was held regarding subject matter; it was then moved by Board Member Macias, seconded by Board Member Gonzales and unanimously carried to authorize the Director of Utilities to execute a three year contract with Wells Fargo for electronic commerce services to improve utility customer service.

STAFF REPORTS/COMMUNICATIONS

Staff Reports

Director of Utilities Morrow detailed the information on Electronic Vehicle Public Charging Stations-EV Connect and responded to questions posed. He stated that the next steps would be to finalize the agreement and return it to Board Members for consideration. Azusa Light and Water will work with ECotality agent called EV Connect to identify suitable installation sites, and Site hosts will need to sign ECotality permission agreement.

Electronic
Vehicle
Charging
Stations

Director of Utilities Morrow detailed the information regarding Automated Residential Trash Collection stating that workshops are being scheduled on April 5th at Memorial Park Easter Egg Hunt, April 14th at Edgewood Center Parking Lot, April 21st at Jr. Olympic Meet at APU, and on April 24th at the Azusa Senior Center.

Automated
Residential
Trash
Workshops

The Board Members recessed at 7:28 p.m. The Board Members reconvened at 8:25 p.m and recessed into Closed Session to discuss the following:

Recess –
Reconvene

CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8

Property: Water rights regarding Main San Gabriel Basin

Agency Negotiator: George Morrow, Utilities Director

Negotiating Parties: Reiner Kruger, Monrovia Nursery

Under negotiation: Price and terms of payment.

The Board Members reconvened at 8:58 p.m. There was no reportable action taken in Closed Session.

Reconvene
No Reports

It was consensus of the Board Members to adjourn.

Adjourn

TIME OF ADJOURNMENT 8:59 P.M.

SECRETARY

NEXT RESOLUTION NO. 12-C21.

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