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#### CITY OF EL PASO PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

#### AGENDA FOR THE REGULAR PSB MEETING

8:30 a.m. M.T.

July 9, 2025

Public Service Board Meeting Room 1154 Hawkins Blvd., El Paso, Texas 79925

### NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

All matters listed under the CONSENT AGENDA will be considered by the Public Service Board to be routine and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless members of the PSB or persons in the audience request specific items be removed from the CONSENT AGENDA to the REGULAR AGENDA for discussion prior to the time the PSB votes on the motion to adopt the CONSENT AGENDA. The Public Service Board may reconsider an agenda item at any time prior to adjournment. Comments by a member of the public as to any regular agenda item will be allowed by the Chair prior to or during the PSB's consideration of the item. Reasonable time limits may be imposed by the Chair.

CALL TO ORDER
ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM
MOMENT OF SILENT PRAYER
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Consider and approve the minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting held on June 11, 2025. Edith Lara, Executive Secretary-Administration, 915-594-5501
- 2. Consider and approve the issuance of a master contract to Vega Americas, Inc. under the ESC Region 19 Cooperative Contract No. 25-7517 for the purchase of level sensors for \$1,000,000 and authorize the issuance of future annual master contracts for \$1,000,000 for the duration of the ESC Region 19 contract term.

  Martin Noriega, Utility Chief Operations Officer Treatment Plants, 915-621-2085
- 3. Consider and approve a sole source contract with Hennesy Mechanical Sales LLC pursuant to Section 252.022(a)(7)(A) of the Texas Local Government Code, for maintenance and repair services of Fairbanks Morse and Wemco pumps, including travel, in the estimated annual amount of \$1,250,000 for a term of one year and four one-year options to extend, contingent upon the vendor providing annual documentation attesting to their sole source status.

Martin Noriega, Utility Chief Operations Officer Treatment Plants, 915-621-2085

# **CONSENT AGENDA (continued)**

- 4. Consider and approve an increase to the existing master contract with Paymentus Group, Inc. under ESC Region 19 Contract No. 25-7520 to provide payment services to customers, by an additional \$2,000,000 for a total of \$2,500,000 and authorize the issuance of future master contracts in the annual amount of \$2,500,000 for the duration of the ESC Region 19 contract term.
  - Art Duran, Utility Chief Financial Officer, 915-594-5549
- 5. Consider and approve a sole source contract in accordance with Section 252.022(a)(7)(A) of the Texas Local Government Code with Thatcher Company of Arizona, Inc. for the supply of the TI-2904 poly/orthophosphate blend to EPWater in the estimated annual amount of \$2,000,000 for a one-year term with the option for four one-year extensions contingent upon the vendor providing annual documentation attesting to their sole source status. *Martin Noriega, Utility Chief Operations Officer Treatment Plants, 915-621-2085*
- 6. Consider and award a professional engineering services contract for the Justus Pond & Stormwater Drainage System RFS SW68-24 project, to Moreno Cardenas, Inc. for design and bid phase services for \$1,664,781 and authorize future task orders or amendments to be issued under this contract for construction phase services in the estimated amount of \$1,100,000.
  - Gisela Dagnino, Utility Chief Operations Officer Stormwater, 915-594-5553
- 7. Consider and authorize the President/CEO or designee to sign an Advanced Funding Agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation for the relocation of water and wastewater infrastructure related to the Alps Drive Bridge Replacement project, with a water and wastewater infrastructure relocation project cost estimated at \$300,000; and authorize the President/CEO to approve any future amendments related to the Agreement for an amount of up to \$200,000.
  - Irazema Rojas, Utility Chief Technical Officer, 915-594-5562
- 8. Consider and authorize the President/CEO or designee to sign an Advanced Funding Agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation for the relocation of water infrastructure related to the Concepcion Street Bridge Replacement project, with a water relocation project cost estimated at \$100,000; and authorize the President/CEO to approve any future amendments related to the Agreement for an amount of up to \$150,000. Irazema Rojas, Utility Chief Technical Officer, 915-594-5562
- 9. Consider and approve Change Order Number 1 under CSP No. 30-23, On-Call Construction Services for the Repair of Street Rights-of-Way, for Double H Contracting, Inc., in the amount of \$943,687.50.

  Irazema Rojas, Utility Chief Technical Officer, 915-594-5562
- 10. Consider and approve the ratification of an additional estimated amount of \$200,000 in expenditures beyond the administratively approved contract amount with Sunstate Equipment Co., LLC for site safety equipment pursuant to Section 252.022(a)(2) of the Texas Local Government Code, a procurement necessary to preserve and protect the health or safety of the residents and authorize the increase of the current contract by an additional estimated amount of \$400,000 pursuant to the same procurement exemption.
  - Martin Noriega, Utility Chief Operations Officer Treatment Plants, 915-621-2085

### **REGULAR AGENDA**

- 11. CEO Monthly Update Regarding Utility Management and/or Operations:
  - EPWater Leadership announcements: Jeff Tepsick, Interim Chief Financial Officer and retirement of Art Duran
  - Citizens Academy Graduation
  - Status of Paving Initiative

# **REGULAR AGENDA (continued)**

- 12. Management Report:
  - Construction Update Gilmore Way
  - AguaCares Program Outcomes
  - EPWater's First Quarter Financial and Performance Measures Report
  - EPWater's First Quarter Investment Report
  - Video from communications: WaterWise Business Rebate Program Magoffin Home State Historic Site
- 13. Public Comment: The PSB will permit public comment on subjects not on the agenda but may not deliberate on these items if not posted for discussion. The Chair may impose reasonable time limits for each speaker.
- 14. Presentation and discussion on the expected limited Rio Grande water deliveries for 2026 and consider and adopt a Drought Resolution authorizing the President/CEO or designee to contract and purchase without further action of the Public Service Board, pursuant to any and all applicable exemptions to the bid statute under Texas Local Government Code Section 252.022(a), including Texas Local Government Code Section 252.022(a)(2), an exemption to the competitive bidding requirements for procurements necessary to preserve or protect the health and safety of the residents.

Irazema Rojas, Utility Chief Technical Officer, 915-594-5562

15. Deem Allen Concrete LLC as non-responsible and consider and award Bid Number SW02-25, M agnolia Pump Station and Saipan Pond Improvements, to the lowest, responsible bidder, Black Stallion Contractors Inc., for \$555,124.24.

Gisela Dagnino, Utility Chief Operations Officer Stormwater, 915-594-5553

 Consider and approve an amendment to the Construction Manager At-Risk (CMAR) construction contract with PCL/Sundt, a joint venture, for the Pure Water Center project and accept Guaranteed Maximum Price No. 4 (GMP 4) in the amount of \$13,833,948.

Irazema Rojas, Utility Chief Technical Officer, 915-594-5562

17. Consider and approve an amendment to the Construction Manager At-Risk construction contract with PCL/Sundt, a joint venture, for the Roberto R. Bustamante Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion and Improvements project and accept the Guaranteed Maximum Price Number 7 (GMP 7) in the amount of \$39,759,063.

Irazema Rojas, Utility Chief Technical Officer, 915-594-5562

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Public Service Board will retire into Executive Session pursuant to Section 3.5A of the El Paso City Charter and the Texas Government Code, Sections 551.071 through 551.089. (The items listed below are matters of the sort to be discussed in Executive Session; however, the Public Service Board may move any item of this agenda to Executive Session, consistent with the terms of the Open Meetings Act.)

Section 551.071 Consultation with Attorney

Section 551.072 Deliberation Regarding Real Property

Section 551.073 Deliberation Regarding Prospective Gift

Section 551.074 Personnel Matters

Section 551.076 Deliberations Regarding Security Devices or Security Audits

Section 551.087 Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations

Section 551.089 Deliberation Regarding Security Devices or Security Audits

- a. The Board will deliberate regarding whether the following property can be declared inexpedient to the water, wastewater and stormwater systems: Tracts 6B1B and 6C3, Block 18, Upper Valley Survey; approximately 35 acres. (551.071) (551.072)
- b. SAAB Site Contractors, L.P. vs. El Paso Water Utilities Public Service Board, Cause No. 2020DCV3826 in the County Court at Law Number Six (551.071)

Any action as a result of these discussions will be taken at the re-opening of this meeting or at a subsequent meeting. Adjournment.

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