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**CITY OF EL PASO
PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD**

AGENDA FOR THE REGULAR PSB MEETING

8:30 a.m. M.T.

August 12, 2026

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 PSB 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 PSB 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 July 8, 2026.
Edith Lara, Executive Secretary-Administration, (915) 594-5501
2. Consider and adopt a resolution authorizing the President/CEO or designee to submit a grant application to the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation under the Title XVI Water Reclamation and Reuse Projects grant opportunity in the amount of \$6,000,000 for the Pure Water Center project, formerly Advanced Water Purification Facility; authorize EPWater's funding commitment of up to \$18,000,000 non-federal match if grant funds are awarded; and further authorize the President/CEO or designee to provide and sign any documents in connection with the grant application, grant agreement, and acceptance of funds for this project.
Lisa Rosendorf, Chief Communications and Government Affairs Officer, 915-549-5669
3. Consider and approve a sole source agreement with BadgerMeter, Inc. pursuant to Section 252.022(a)(7)(A) and (D) of the Texas Local Government Code for the advanced monitoring of the wastewater collection system, for an estimated annual amount of \$1,000,000 for a term of one year with four one-year options to extend contingent upon the vendor providing yearly documentation attesting to their sole source status.
Martin Noriega, Utility Operations Officer, 915-621-2085

CONSENT AGENDA (continued)

4. Consider and approve an increase in the capacity of the existing master contract issued to MSC Industrial Direct Co., Inc., through the purchasing cooperative GSA Contract No. 47QSHA18D002C for Maintenance, Repair, and Operations (MRO) Supplies and Services, by an additional \$500,000 for a cumulative contract amount of \$1,000,000 and authorize the issuance of future annual master contracts in the estimated amount of \$1,000,000 for as long as the term of the cooperative contract is in place.
Martin Noriega, Utility Operations Officer, 915-621-2085
5. Consider and approve an increase in the capacity of the existing master contract issued to HACH Company through the GSA purchasing cooperative Contract No. 47QSMS26D0027, by an additional \$1,000,000 for a cumulative contract amount of \$1,500,000 and authorize the issuance of future annual master contracts in the estimated amount of \$1,500,000 for as long as the term of the cooperative contract remains in place.
Martin Noriega, Utility Operations Officer, 915-621-2085
6. Consider and approve an increase in the capacity of the existing master contract issued to El Paso Phoenix Pumps, Inc. through the purchasing cooperative ESC Region 19 Contract No. 26-7551, by an additional \$1,500,000 for a cumulative contract amount to \$2,000,000 and authorize the issuance of future annual master contracts in the estimated amount of \$2,000,000 for as long as the term of the cooperative contract remains in place.
Martin Noriega, Utility Operations Officer, 915-621-2085
7. Consider and award professional engineering services contracts for On-Call Construction Management Services for Various Water, Wastewater, Reclaimed Water, and Stormwater Construction Projects – RFQ 19-26 to Arcadis U.S., Inc., Brown and Caldwell, CEA Engineering Group, Inc., CDM Smith Inc., Consor North America, Inc, Freese and Nichols, Inc., Garver, LLC, H2O Terra, LLC, Huitt-Zollars, Inc., Jacobs Engineering Group Inc., Johnson, Mirmiran & Thompson, Inc., and Moreno Cardenas, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000 for each firm for a term of three years.
Irazema Rojas, Utility Chief Engineering Officer, 915-594-5562
8. Consider and award a professional engineering services contract to Consor North America Inc., for the Water Distribution Assessment - RFS 02-26 in the amount of \$522,294.24 and authorize future task orders or amendments to be issued under this contract for additional engineering services in the estimated amount of \$500,000.
Irazema Rojas, Utility Chief Engineering Officer, 915-594-5562
9. Consider and award a professional engineering services contract to Bath Group, LLC for the Joe Caro Pump Station Replacement - Part 2 project in the amount of \$434,490 and authorize future task orders or amendments to be issued under this contract for additional construction phase services in an estimated amount of \$500,000.
Irazema Rojas, Utility Chief Engineering Officer, 915-594-5562
10. Consider and approve Change Order Number 2 for CSP 08-24 Heath De Leon Pump with Smithco Construction Inc., in the amount of \$2,194,212.11 and increasing the contract time by 240 calendar days.
Irazema Rojas, Utility Chief Engineering Officer, 915-594-5562
11. Consider and approve Change Order Number 4 for Bid No. 35-22, Crown Point II and Nevins Packed Tower Air Strippers with Morrow Enterprises Inc, in the amount of \$154,820.98 and increasing the contract time by 480 calendar days.
Irazema Rojas, Utility Chief Engineering Officer, 915-594-5562

CONSENT AGENDA (continued)

12. Consider and authorize the President/CEO or designee to sign a Standard Utility Agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation for the relocation of wastewater and reclaimed water infrastructure related to the IH-10 Frontage Road project from Executive Boulevard to Sunland Park Drive, with a total project cost estimated at \$5,307,371.42 and authorize the President/CEO or designee to approve future amendments to the agreement not to exceed a total of \$750,000.
Irazema Rojas, Utility Chief Engineering Officer, 915-594-5562
13. Consider and award RFP 34-26 Texas State Government Relations Services (Re-bid) to Hillco Partners LLC in the annual amount of \$144,000 for a term of three years, beginning on October 1, 2026, with two three-year options to extend.
Lisa Rosendorf, Chief Communications and Government Affairs Officer, 915-594-5669
14. Consider and reject the proposal received for Esperanza Water Works Electrical Improvements - CSP24-26 and authorize staff to rebid.
Jeff Tepsick, Chief Financial Officer, 915-594-5527
15. Consider and reject all proposals received for Pumping Systems Furnish, Installation & Maintenance Phase 5 - Low-Bid 32-26 and authorize staff to rebid.
Jeff Tepsick, Chief Financial Officer, 915-594-5527
16. Consider and adopt a resolution authorizing the addition of staff as an authorized representative of the El Paso Water Utilities Public Service Board for the LOGIC and TexSTAR accounts; and authorize the PSB Chair and Secretary-Treasurer to sign related documents.
Jeff Tepsick, Chief Financial Officer, 915-594-5527
17. Consider and adopt a resolution authorizing the addition of staff as an authorized representative of the El Paso Water Utilities Public Service Board for the TEXPOOL Investment Pool accounts; and authorize the PSB Chair and Secretary-Treasurer to sign related documents.
Jeff Tepsick, Chief Financial Officer, 915-594-5527

REGULAR AGENDA

18. CEO Monthly Utility Management and Operations Update:
 - New EPWater Senior Leaders – Ozzie Muñiz, Chief of Safety, Security & Emergency Response; Juan Castillo, Chief Customer Experience Officer
19. Management Report:
 - Construction Update – Water Treatment Plants In-Line Flow Meters
 - Update on 48-Inch Water Transmission Main Repair – Central El Paso
 - Update on the Launch of EPWater's New Customer Mobile Application
 - Video from communications - Pipes and Progress: Waterline Replacement 12B Project
20. 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.
21. Consider and award RFP 14-26 Technical Grade Methanol to Valenz Supply and Distribution, LLC to supply technical grade methanol on an as-needed basis for an annual estimated amount of \$1,034,500, for a term of one year with four one-year options to extend; and authorize future price adjustments based on fluctuations in the applicable published methanol market price index.
Martin Noriega, Utility Operations Officer, 915-621-2085

REGULAR AGENDA (continued)

22. Consider and award RFP 22-26, Disposal of Wastewater Sludge and Water Residuals Services, to the two highest-ranked proposers, GCC Sun City Materials, LLC and GrayMar Environmental Services, LLC., for each vendor to dispose wastewater sludge and water treatment residuals on an as-needed basis for an estimated annual amount of \$7,800,000 for GCC Sun City Materials, LLC., and for an estimated amount of \$6,400,000 for GrayMar Environmental Services, LLC. The contract term for each vendor is for a term of five years with one five-year option to extend; and authorize future price adjustments based on fluctuation in the applicable consumer price index; and that the Public Service Board makes the following findings:
 1. That the Texas public health or safety bidding exemption applies to RFP 22-26;
 2. That multiple vendors are required to ensure continuity of utility services; and
 3. That the public notice requirements under Rules and Regulations No. 18 have been satisfied.*Martin Noriega, Utility Operations Officer, 915-621-2085*
23. Consider and award a preconstruction services contract for Construction Manager At-Risk for the Northeast Water and Wastewater Utility Improvements (Re-Bid)- RFP 33-26, to Smithco Construction, Inc., in the amount of \$200,000 and authorize future amendments to be issued under this contract for additional preconstruction services in the estimated amount of \$150,000.
Irazema Rojas, Utility Chief Engineering Officer, 915-594-5562
24. Consider and approve Amendment Number 1 to the professional engineering services contract for the East High and Franklin East 1 Pressure Zone Improvements project with Consor North America Inc., for additional professional engineering services in the amount of \$1,692,307.12; and authorize future task orders or amendments to be issued under this contract for additional engineering services and construction phase services in the amount of \$1,000,000 and extend the term of the contract by two years.
Irazema Rojas, Utility Chief Engineering Officer, 915-594-5562
25. Consider and approve an amendment to the Construction Manager At-Risk (CMAR) construction contract with PCL/Sundt, a joint venture, for the Roberto Bustamante Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion and Improvements project and accept Guaranteed Maximum Price Number 10 (GMP 10) in the amount of \$40,096,434.
Irazema Rojas, Utility Chief Engineering Officer, 915-594-5562
26. Discussion and action on the adoption of a resolution amending EPWater Rules and Regulations No. 10 Establishing the Investment Policy for the Public Service Board with the proposed changes.
Jeff Tepsick, Chief Financial Officer, 915-594-5527
27. Consider and accept the El Paso Water Utilities-Public Service Board Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the fiscal year ending February 28, 2026.
Jeff Tepsick, Chief Financial Officer, 915-594-5527
28. Consider and approve the proposed meetings schedule for the Stormwater, Water, Wastewater, and Reclaimed Water Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2027-2028 and Rules and Regulation changes.
Jeff Tepsick, Chief Financial Officer, 915-594-5527
29. Discussion and action on the request of Brock & Bustillos for a variance to Rules and Regulations No. 7 and No. 11 related to the proposed standby fire protection service for the development located at 923 La Mesa.
Irazema Rojas, Utility Chief Engineering 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 551.0761 Deliberation Regarding Critical Infrastructure Facility
Section 551.087 Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations
Section 551.089 Deliberation Regarding Security Devices or Security Audits

- a. Consultation with attorney regarding the request of Brock & Bustillos for a variance to Rules and Regulations No. 7 and No. 11 related to the proposed standby fire protection service for the development located at 923 La Mesa. (551.071)
- b. Authority to negotiate the settlement of *Maria Del Carmen Muro v. City of El Paso and El Paso Water Utilities Public Service Board d/b/a/ El Paso Water Utilities d/b/a El Paso Water*, Cause No. 2024DCV0830. (551.071)
- c. Authority to negotiate the settlement of *Sergio Fierro v. City of El Paso, Texas and El Paso Water Utilities and Paul R. Duran*, Cause No. 2025DCV4082. (551.071)
- d. Consultation with attorney regarding a services agreement with the Borderplex Alliance for planning services. (551.071)
- e. Annual Performance Review and Employment Agreement for the President/CEO, John E. Balliew. (551.071) (551.074)

Any actions 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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