

**NOTICE** is hereby given that a meeting of the El Paso Water Utilities Public Service Board (PSB) will be open to the public and held on the date and at the time and location listed below. Meetings are also live-streamed at [www.epwater.org](http://www.epwater.org). The public may sign up to speak on agenda items or to provide public comment on items not on the agenda by using the sign-up form available at the entrance of the board room before the start of the meeting.

**CITY OF EL PASO  
PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD**

**AGENDA FOR THE REGULAR PSB MEETING**

**8:00 a.m. M.T.**

**March 13, 2024**

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 February 14, 2024. **(ATTACHMENT)**  
*Edith Lara, Executive Services (915) 594-5501*
2. Consider and approve a sole source contract with Andritz Separation, Inc., pursuant to Section 252.022(a)(7)(A) and (D) of the Texas Local Government Code for the rehabilitation of centrifuges, preventative maintenance, and parts for three centrifuges at the Fred Hervey Water Reclamation Plant in the estimated total amount of \$946,100 for a term of five years. **(ATTACHMENT)**  
*Martin Noriega, Chief Operations Officer, 915-621-2085*
3. Consider and approve a master contract for Cured in Place Pipe (CIPP) for Pipeline Rehabilitation through Buyboard Purchasing Cooperative Contract Number 731-24 with Fuquay, Inc., in the annual amount of \$5,000,000 and authorize the issuance of future master contracts to Fuquay, Inc. in the annual amount of \$5,000,000 for as long as the term of the Buyboard Purchasing Cooperative Contract Number 731-24 is in place. **(ATTACHMENT)**  
*Gisela Dagnino, Chief Operations Officer, 915-594-5553*
4. Consider and approve a job order contract with EGL Construction Inc. through ESC Region 19 Allied States Cooperative Contract No. 21-7411 Job Order Contracting & Facilities Construction Services to complete the Roberto R. Bustamante Wastewater Treatment Plant Illumination and Security Improvements in the estimated amount of \$750,000 and authorize the use of commercial paper. **(ATTACHMENT)**  
*Irazema Rojas, Chief Technical Officer, 915-594-5562*

## CONSENT AGENDA (continued)

5. Consider and approve an increase in the capacity of master contract MC00000512 issued to Border States Electric Supply Inc. for maintenance, repair, operation (MRO) equipment, supplies, material, and services through ESC Region 19 Allied States Cooperative Contract Number No. 22-7434 by an additional amount of \$1,000,000 to increase the existing master contract to a cumulative amount of \$1,500,000; and authorize the issuance of future annual master contracts in the amount of \$1,500,000 to Border States Electric Supply Inc. for as long as the term of ESC Region 19 Allied States Cooperative Contract No. 22-7434 is in place. **(ATTACHMENT)**  
*Alfredo Solano, Chief Information Officer, 915-594-5662*
6. Consider and approve an increase in the capacity of master contract MC00000524 issued to Trane U.S. Inc. for maintenance, repair and operation (MRO) equipment, supplies, material and services through ESC Region 19 Allied States Cooperative Contract Number No. 22-7434 by an additional amount of \$500,000 to increase the existing master contract to a cumulative amount of \$1,000,000; and authorize the issuance of future master contracts in the annual amount of \$1,000,000 to Trane U.S. Inc. for as long as the term of ESC Region 19 Allied States Cooperative Contract No. 22-7434 is in place. **(ATTACHMENT)**  
*Elmer Beeler, Chief Support and Logistics Officer, 915-263-4030*
7. Consider and approve Amendment Number 1 to the professional engineering services agreement with Molzen-Corbin & Associates, Inc., for the Prado, Mansfield and Knowles Lift Station Reconstruction project for additional construction phase services in the amount of \$349,967 and authorize future task orders or amendments for additional design and construction phase services in the estimated amount of \$250,000 and revise the term of the agreement by an additional three years and revise certain standard language of the agreement and authorize the use of commercial paper. **(ATTACHMENT)**  
*Irazema Rojas, Chief Technical Officer, 915-594-5562*
8. Consider and approve Amendment Number 1 to the professional engineering services contract for the Haskell R. Street Wastewater Treatment Plan Aeration and Anoxic Basin Improvements project with Arcadis U.S., Inc. for additional professional engineering services in the amount of \$735,319.14; and authorize future task orders or amendments to be issued under this contract for additional design and construction phase services in the estimated amount of \$3,500,000 and update certain standard language in the agreement. **(ATTACHMENT)**  
*Irazema Rojas, Chief Technical Officer, 915-594-5562*
9. Consider and approve an amendment to the professional services contract for internal audit and accounting services pursuant to Chapter 2254 of the Texas Government Code with Porch & Associates LLC to revise the compensation amount to an estimated annual amount of \$200,000 for the current first year of the term of the contract and \$200,000 for each of the three one-year options to extend. **(ATTACHMENT)**  
*Art Duran, Chief Financial Officer, 915-594-5549*

## REGULAR AGENDA

10. CEO Monthly Update Regarding Utility Management and/or Operations:
  - New water bill design
  - Western Tech graduation for plant operators
  - Procurement Month
11. Management Report:
  - Video from communications
12. 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.
13. Consider and approve the selection of SK8 4KIDS as the Utility's Strategic Partner for 2024. **(ATTACHMENT)**  
*Art Duran, Chief Financial Officer, 915-594-5549*
14. Presentation and discussion by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers on the Flood Risk Management Feasibility Study project and updates on active or completed projects with El Paso Water. **(ATTACHMENT)**

### REGULAR AGENDA (continued)

15. Presentation and discussion on the Military Infrastructure Resilience Review study with Fort Bliss and opportunities for continued collaboration with Fort Bliss to pursue grant funding for infrastructure projects. **(ATTACHMENT)**  
*Lisa Rosendorf, Chief Communications & Government Affairs Officer, 915-594-5669*
16. Consider and award Bid Number 05-24 Prado & Knowles Lift Stations Reconstruction, Mansfield Lift Station Decommissioning, Independence Interceptor to the lowest, responsive, responsible bidder Smithco Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$8,488,131 and authorize the use of commercial paper. **(ATTACHMENT)**  
*Irazema Rojas, Chief Technical Officer, 915-594-5562*
17. Consider and adopt a Resolution of the El Paso Water Utilities Public Service Board designating Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. to serve as the depository for El Paso Water Utilities funds and to provide banking services based on the application received in response to RFA Number 69-23 Bank Depository Services for a two-year term with an option to renew for three, one-year extensions and authorize the President/CEO to negotiate and sign any and all related documents and agreement related to this designation. **(ATTACHMENT)**  
*Art Duran, Chief Financial Officer, 915-594-5549*
18. Consider and adopt a resolution accepting Tres Aguilas Farm and Ranch, LLC.'s, offer to purchase approximately 20,948 acres of Utility property in Culberson County, Texas, consisting of all or partial sections of Township 7 and 8, Block 65, and all or partial sections of PSL, Block 77, and PSL Part I and PSL Part II, Block 63, also known as the Wild Horse Ranch, for the amount of \$6,000,000 and authorize the President/CEO to forward the recommendation to City Council, and to sign any and all documents necessary to complete the sale. **(ATTACHMENT)**  
*Alma De Anda, Utility Land & Water Rights Manager, 915-594-5513*

### 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 1.515 acres of Utility property legally described as O.A. Danielson Survey 310, Tract 11, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas can be declared inexpedient to the water, wastewater and stormwater systems. (551.071) (551.072)
- b. The Board will deliberate regarding whether the following properties can be declared inexpedient to the water, wastewater and stormwater systems, the properties are legally described as a Portion of Lot 5, Block 290, Vista del Sol Unit Eighty, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas, consisting of approximately 2.50 acres. (551.071) (551.072)

- c. The Board will deliberate regarding whether the following properties can be declared inexpedient to the water, wastewater and stormwater systems, the properties are legally described as Portions of E.V. Newman Survey, Abstract No. 10017, Section 2, Block 81, Township 1, Texas and Pacific Railroad Company Surveys, E.V. Newman Survey, Section 2, Block 81, Township 1 and E.V. Newman Survey, Abstract No. 2379, Section 1, said Block 81, Township 1, Texas and Pacific Railroad Company Surveys, Texas and Pacific Railroad Company Surveys, Abstract No. 2379, Section 1, Block 81, Township 1, E.V. Newman Survey, Abstract No. 10016, Section 12, Block 81, Township 1, Texas and Pacific Railroad Company Surveys, Texas and Pacific Railroad Company Surveys, Abstract No. 2405, Section 7, Block 80, Township 1, J. F. Reeves Survey, Abstract No. 10012, Section 8, Block 80, Township 1, Texas and Pacific Railroad Company Surveys, Texas and Pacific Railroad Company Surveys, Abstract No. 2405, Section 7, Block 80, Township 1, Texas and Pacific Railroad Company Surveys, Abstract No. 2399, Section 17, Block 80, Township 1, E. V. Newman Survey, Abstract No. 5423, Section 20, Block 80, Township 1, Texas and Pacific Railroad Company Surveys, and E. V. Newman Survey, Abstract No. 5424, Section 28, Block 80, Township 1, Texas and Pacific Railroad Company Surveys, El Paso County, El Paso, Texas, consisting of approximately 272 acres; and be sold to the Texas Department of Transportation. (551.071) (551.072)
- d. The Board will deliberate regarding whether the following property can be declared inexpedient to the stormwater system and on the value of real property, approximately 20,948 acres in Culberson County, Texas, legally described as consisting of all or partial sections of Township 7 and 8, Block 65, and all or partial sections of PSL, Block 77, and PSL Part I and PSL Part II, Block 63, also known as the Wild Horse Ranch. (551.071) (551.072)
- e. Legal and property considerations for the provision of utility services to approximately 1,520 acres of property located between Montana and Loop 375, east of Global Reach. (551.071) (551.072)
- f. Consultation with attorney regarding special event licenses on EPWater property. (551.071)(551.072)
- g. Double H Contracting Inc. and Hector Hinojos, Sr. vs. El Paso Public Service Board (El Paso Water Utilities) As Agent for the City of El Paso; The City of El Paso and ZTEX Construction Inc.; and Tao Industries, Inc. D/B/A/ Hawk Construction, Cause No. 2023DCV1654. (551.071)
- h. Paseo Del Este Municipal Utility District No. 1 Appeal of the Wholesale Water Rate Imposed by El Paso Water, pending in the Public Utility Commission of Texas and 210th District Court of El Paso (PUC Docket No. 52260/53706, SOAH Docket No. 473-22-1454. WS, and Cause No. 2021DCV3996) (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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