#### **NOTICE:** TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF OPEN MEETINGS LAWS DUE TO EMERGENCY

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The public must sign up to speak on items on this agenda before the start of this meeting on the following link at <a href="https://epwater.org/about\_us/public\_service\_board/view\_live\_psb\_meetings">https://epwater.org/about\_us/public\_service\_board/view\_live\_psb\_meetings</a> no later than 5:00 p.m. MDT on Tuesday January 12, 2021.

#### CITY OF EL PASO PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

January 13, 2021 <u>9:30 a.m.</u>

#### 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 Board 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 Public Service Board votes on the motion to adopt the CONSENT AGENDA. The Public Service Board may reconsider an agenda item at any time prior to adjournment. Comment by a member of the public as to any regular agenda item will be allowed by the Chair on the item prior to or during the Board'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

# **REGULAR AGENDA**

1. Administer the Oath to Mayor Oscar Leeser, new Board Member

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

- Consider and approve the minutes of the budget review special meeting held on November 30, 2020 and the minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting held on December 9, 2020. (ATTACHMENT)
- 3. Consider and approve a Consent to Assignment of Supplemental Master Service Agreement for payment services through ESC Region 19-Allied Services Cooperative Contract Number 20-7369, from Paymentus Group, Inc. (Assignor) to Paymentus Corporation (Assignee). (ATTACHMENT)

#### **REGULAR AGENDA**

- 4. Presentation to Henry Gallardo in recognition of his leadership, dedication, and service to the community during his tenure on the Public Service Board.
- Conduct a public hearing by the Municipal Drainage Utility System's governing board to consider a stormwater fee increase for Fiscal Year 2021-2022. (ATTACHMENT)
- 6. Consider and take action on the Stormwater Budget to include, but not limited to, the following actions:
  - a. Adoption of the Annual Stormwater Budget in the amount of \$48.676 million for Fiscal Year 2021-2022.
  - b. Adoption of a Resolution amending Public Service Board Rules and Regulations No. 3, Rates for Stormwater Service, to amend the fees.

# (ATTACHMENT)

#### **REGULAR AGENDA (continued)**

- 7. Consider and take action on the Water, Wastewater and Reclaimed Water Budget to include but not limited to the following actions:
  - a. Adoption of the Annual Water, Wastewater and Reclaimed Water Budget in the amount of \$459.592 million for Fiscal Year 2021-2022.
  - b. Adoption of a Resolution amending Public Service Board Rules and Regulations No.1 Furnishing and Control of Water and/or Sewer Service Within the Corporate Limits of the City of El Paso, to revise frontage charges.
  - c. Adoption of a Resolution amending Public Service Board Rules and Regulations No. 5, Rates for Water Service, to amend the Rates.
  - d. Adoption of a Resolution amending Public Service Board Rules and Regulations No. 6, Rates for Sewer service, to amend the Rates.
  - e. Adoption of a Resolution amending Public Service Board Rules and Regulations No. 7, Various Deposits and Charges, to revise or remove: frontage charges; public fire hydrants; fire hydrant meters; line extension charges; promissory notes; refunds; fees associated with cross-connection; backflow prevention; premises with private wells; and customer account fee.
  - f. Adoption a Resolution amending Public Service Board Rules and Regulations No. 11, Furnishing and Control of Water and/or Sewer Service Outside the Corporate Limits of the City of El Paso, to amend the language concerning availability of funds.

# (ATTACHMENT)

8. Consider and award Bid Number 67-20 EPWater Transportation of Gasoline and Diesel Fuel, to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder C & R Distributing, LLC., for the offered total average estimated discount of -\$3,838.89, for an estimated annual amount of \$800,000 for a one-year term, with the option for two, one-year extensions.

# (ATTACHMENT)

9. Consider and approve awarding Bid Number 74-20, Cartridge Filters, to American Melt Blown & Filtration, Inc. in the estimated annual amount of \$300,315.20 for a one-year term with the option for two, one-year extensions.

# (ATTACHMENT)

10. Consider and award the sole source purchase for Triplex Liners for sanitary sewer manholes, with Infrastructure Rehabilitation USA, Inc., in the estimated amount of \$357,627 and authorize the use of commercial paper.

# (ATTACHMENT)

11. Consider and award professional services contracts for On-Call Landscape Architecture Services to Greenway Studio LLC. and Sites Southwest LLC., each contract in the maximum amount of \$300,000, for a two-year term and authorize the use of commercial paper.

# (ATTACHMENT)

12. Consider and award a professional Engineering Services Contract for the Haskell R. Street Wastewater Treatment Plant Grit System Improvements to Garver, LLC. for preliminary engineering services in the amount of \$249,347; authorize future task orders to be issued under this contract for preliminary design services in an estimated amount of \$200,000, provided that funding is available in the approved budget and authorize the use of commercial paper.

# (ATTACHMENT)

13. Consider and approve Change Order Number 4 – Bid Number 30-19, Canutillo Bosque Lift Station and Force Main Re-Bid to Smithco Construction, Inc., increasing the contract amount by \$113,059.61; extending the contract duration by 68 days; and authorize the use of commercial paper.

# (ATTACHMENT)

#### **REGULAR AGENDA (continued)**

14. Consider and award Bid Number 27-20, Montana East 24-Inch Water Main Extension Improvements (East to West Branch – Phase I) and Edgemere Water Line Extension Phase II (Greg Street), to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, Spiess Construction, Co., Inc., in the amount of \$2,867,290 and authorize the use of commercial paper.

(ATTACHMENT)

15. Consider and award Bid Number 59-20, On-Call Manhole Rehabilitation for Wastewater Facilities Construction Contract to Cubic Water, LLC, the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, in the estimated amount of \$841,000 for a one-year term with the option for two, one-year extensions, and that Skyridge Construction be deemed non-responsible.

(ATTACHMENT)

16. Consider and authorize the President/CEO to enter into the following contracts related to the Repairs to the Filter Backwash Pipe and Road at Canal Water Treatment Plant: 1) a Professional Engineering Services Agreement with the most qualified firm pursuant to the requirements of Chapter 2254 of the Government Code for an estimated amount of \$150,000; 2) and authorization to enter into a construction contract, for an estimated amount of \$850,000, pursuant to Section 252.022(a)(2) of the Texas Local Government Code, procurement necessary to preserve and protect the public health and Section 252.022(a)(3) of the Texas Local Government Code, procurement necessary because of unforeseen damage to public machinery, equipment or other property.

(ATTACHMENT)

17. Consider and approve an Amendment to the Preconstruction Services Agreement to authorize Early Work Package construction for the Design-Build of the John T. Hickerson Water Reclamation Facility Rehabilitation Project to R.M. Wright Construction Company in the amount of \$4,795,068 and authorize the use of commercial paper.

(ATTACHMENT)

18. Consider and adopt a resolution awarding Bid Number 73-20, Sale of Real Estate, approximately 1.1921 acres, and legally described as a portion of Tract 13, O.A. Danielson Survey No. 310, City of El Paso and El Paso County, Texas, to the sole responsive, responsible bidder Jorge Sanchez in the amount of \$155,784, and authorize the President and CEO to forward the recommendation to City Council to sell the land, and to sign any and all documents necessary to complete the sale.

(ATTACHMENT)

19. Consider and accept the El Paso Water's 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Investment Report for the period ending November 30, 2020.

(ATTACHMENT)

20. Consider and accept the El Paso Water's 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Financial and Performance Measures Report for period ending November 30, 2020.

(ATTACHMENT)

21. Public Comment: The PSB will permit public comment on any item not on the agenda. The Chair may impose reasonable time limits for each speaker.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Public Service Board will retire in Executive Session pursuant to Section 3.5A of the El Paso City Charter and the Texas Government Code, Sections 551.071 through 551.076. (The items listed below are matters of the sort to be discussed in Executive Session; however, the Public Service Board may move to Executive Session any item of this agenda, consistent with the terms of the Open Meetings Act.)

Section 551.071 Consultation with Attorney

Section 551.072 Deliberation regarding Real Property

Section 551.074 Personnel Matters

# a. Section 551. 072. Deliberation regarding Real Property

The Board will deliberate regarding whether the following properties can be declared inexpedient to the water system: two parcels of land located in Northeast El Paso east of U.S. 54 Patriot Freeway, City of El Paso, El Paso, County, Texas, legally described as portion of Tract 2, Section 9, Block 80, Township 1, T&P Surveys, consisting of approximately 45 acres and portion of Tract 1, Section 16, Block 80, Township 1, T&P Surveys, consisting of approximately 65 acres.

### b. Section 551. 072. Deliberation regarding Real Property

The Board will deliberate regarding whether the following property can be declared inexpedient to the water system: Property located in Northeast El Paso west of U.S. 54 Patriot Freeway, City of El Paso, El Paso, County, Texas, legally described as portion of Tract 1A, Section 16, Block 80, Township 1, T&P Surveys, consisting of approximately 57 acres.

# c. Section 551. 072. Deliberation regarding Real Property

The Board will deliberate regarding whether the following parcels legally described as a portion out Tracts 25A and 25B, now known as Tract 25-C and 25-B-1, Block 17, Upper Valley Surveys, in El Paso County, Texas; Lot 1, Block 22, Paseos Del Sol Unit Two Amending Plat, an addition to the City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas; Lot 2, less NE portion of Block 4, Pecan Grove Subdivision, an Addition to the City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas; Lot 25, Block 3, Colonia Miramonte Addition Unit One, an addition to the City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas; a tract of land located in Tract 1B–1D-2, Block 2 of the Upper Valley Surveys of the City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas; being the north 40' of Lots 12 to 16, Map No. 3, Block 99, Bassett Addition, which is more commonly known as 1016 Maple in the City and County of El Paso, Texas; a portion of Section 32, Block 80, TSP 1, El Paso County, Texas, now known as Lot 52-A, Block 14, Shearman Addition Unit 4, Replat "A"; Lot 3, Block 5, Mesquite Trails #2, an addition to the City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas; Lot 38, Block 1, Alexander Addition to Ysleta, an addition to the City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas; a portion of Tract 2, Block 6, Ascarate Grant, El Paso County, Texas; Lot 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, and 29, Block D, Montoya Townsite in El Paso County, Texas; Lot 1, Block 13 of Ponderosa Mobile Homes Subdivision to the City of El Paso, El Paso County Texas, can be declared inexpedient to the water system.

#### d. Section 551.074. Personnel Matters

Annual Performance Review and Employment Agreement of the President/CEO, John E. Balliew.

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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