

**MINUTES
PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD
CITY OF EL PASO
February 10, 2021**

The regular meeting of the Public Service Board was held via video conference, Wednesday, February 10, 2021.

PSB MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Kristina D. Mena, Chair
Dr. Ivonne Santiago, Vice Chair
Terri Garcia, Secretary-Treasurer
Mayor Oscar Leeser, Ex-Officio Member
Christopher A. Antcliff, Member
Charlie Intebi, Member
Bryan Morris, Member

PSB MEMBERS ABSENT

PSB EMPLOYEES PRESENT

John E. Balliew, P.E., President and Chief Executive Officer
Daniel Ortiz, General Counsel

EPWATER EMPLOYEES PRESENT

Alan Shubert, Vice President
Marcela Navarrete, Vice President
Art Duran, Chief Financial Officer
Lisa Rosendorf, Chief Communications and Government Affairs Officer
Alfredo Solano, Chief Information Officer
Zulema Jamis, Interim Executive Assistant
Claudia Duran, Executive Assistant to the President/CEO
Gilbert Trejo, Chief Technical Officer
Israel Chavez, Senior Network Administrator
Diana Velazquez, Utility Purchasing & Contract Manager
Edgar Campos, Utility Information Systems Manager
Alma De Anda, Utility Land & Water Rights Manager
Martin Noriega, Utility Chief Operations Officer
Felipe Lopez, Utility Chief Operations Officer
Sol Cortez, Assistant General Counsel
Michaela Grambling, Assistant General Counsel
Michelle Valdez, Purchasing Agent
Richard Wilcox, Water Supply Manager
Anai Padilla, Water Conservation/TechH2O Manager
Laura Foster, Project Consultant
Teresa Alcalá, Utility Laboratory Services Manager
Alejandro Vidales Jr., Real Estate Manager
Angel Bustamante, Water Systems Division Manager
Jeff Tepsick, Utility Assistant Chief Financial Officer
Veronica Galindo, Water Production Manager
Gisela Dagnino, Engineering Division Manager

GUESTS

Laura Prine, City of El Paso City Clerk
Maria Urbina, Managing Director of Hilltop Securities

MEDIA

None

The Public Service Board meeting was called to order by Dr. Mena at 9:30 a.m. A quorum of its members was present. After a moment of silence, those in attendance joined Dr. Mena and Mr. Alan Shubert, in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. ADMINISTERED THE OATH TO CHARLIE INTEBI, NEW BOARD MEMBER

Ms. Laura Prine, City Clerk, administered the oath of office to new PSB member, Mr. Charlie Intebi.

CONSENT AGENDA

On a motion made by Mr. Chris Antcliff, seconded by Ms. Terri Garcia and unanimously carried, the Board took action on the following agenda items:

2. CONSIDERED AND APPROVED THE MINUTES OF THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 13, 2021 AND THE MINUTES OF THE PSB SELECTION COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 28, 2021.

The Board approved the minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting held on January 13, 2021 and the minutes of the PSB Selection Committee meeting held on January 28, 2021.

3. CONSIDERED AND APPROVED A CONSENT TO ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACT 27-19 EPW OFFSITE VEHICLE AND EQUIPMENT REFUELING FROM WESTERN REFINERY SOUTHWEST INC. TO FLYERS ENERGY, LLC.

The Board approved a consent to assignment of contract 27-19 EPW Offsite Vehicle and Equipment Refueling from Western Refinery Southwest Inc. to Flyers Energy, LLC. On April 10, 2019, the PSB approved Contract 27-19 EPW Offsite Vehicle and Equipment Refueling with Western Refinery Southwest Inc., for the offsite refueling of EPWater vehicles. Western Refinery subcontracted Firebird to conduct these services. On December 1, 2020, Flyers Energy, LLC. and Western Refinery entered into a purchase agreement for the acquisition (“Transaction”) of all unmanned Firebird® fueling center sites and associated fuel supply business.

REGULAR AGENDA

4. CONSIDERED AND REJECTED THE SOLE BID RECEIVED FROM PERKIN ELMER HEALTH SCIENCES, INC. FOR BID NUMBER 70-20, LABORATORY EQUIPMENT PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE, DIAGNOSTIC SERVICE AND REPAIRS (PERKIN ELMER)

Ms. Teresa Alcalá, Utility Laboratory Services Manager, provided a presentation to the Board regarding this item (copy on file in Central Files). On November 17, 2020, the Utility received a sole bid from Perkin Elmer Health Sciences, Inc. for laboratory equipment preventative maintenance and diagnostic service and repairs.

On a motion made by Mr. Antcliff, seconded by Ms. Garcia and unanimously carried, the Board approved to reject the sole bid received from Perkin Elmer Health Sciences, Inc. for bid number 70-20, laboratory equipment preventative maintenance, diagnostic service and repairs (Perkin Elmer.)

5. CONSIDERED AND APPROVED A SOLE SOURCE CONTRACT TO PERKIN ELMER HEALTH SCIENCES, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$260,685.07, PLUS AN ANNUAL ALLOWANCE OF \$100,000 FOR A TERM OF THREE YEARS, CONTINGENT UPON VENDOR PROVIDING ANNUAL DOCUMENTATION ATTESTING TO THEIR SOLE SOURCE STATUS.

Ms. Teresa Alcalá, Utility Laboratory Services Manager, provided a presentation to the Board regarding this item (copy on file in Central Files). The International Water Quality Laboratory (IWQL) is required by The Nelac Institute (INI), our accreditation body, to have a preventive maintenance program for our instruments. The

Laboratory has seven Perkin Elmer laboratory instruments. The Laboratory conducts monthly maintenance inspections and change non-consumable parts necessary to prevent instrument breakdowns. A certified and experienced Perkin Elmer Technician will provide onsite repairs.

On a motion made by Mr. Antcliff seconded by Dr. Santiago and unanimously carried, the Board approved a sole source contract to Perkin Elmer Health Sciences, Inc. in the amount of \$260,685.07, plus an annual allowance of \$100,000 for a term of three years, contingent upon vendor providing annual documentation attesting to their sole source status.

6. CONSIDERED AND REJECTED THE SOLE BID RECEIVED FROM SOUTHWEST COMMERCIAL ENGINES, INC. FOR BID NUMBER 72-20, MAINTENANCE OF NATURAL GAS ENGINES.

Ms. Diana Velasquez, Utility Purchasing and Contract Manager, provided a presentation to the Board regarding this item (copy on file in Central Files.) El Paso Water has 25 natural gas engines located at multiple wells and booster stations. The 25 natural gas engines require maintenance service to keep all equipment in good operating condition. Alan Shubert, Vice President, Operations and Technical Services addressed questions from the Board regarding this item.

On a motion made by Mr. Morris, seconded by Ms. Garcia, and unanimously carried, the Board rejected the sole bid received from Southwest Commercial Engines, inc. for bid number 72-20, maintenance of natural gas engines.

7. CONSIDERED AND APPROVED THE SOLE SOURCE PURCHASE OF A NEW FAIRBANKS MORSE 24-INCH CENTRIFUGAL ANGLE BACKWASH PUMP AND SPARE IMPELLER FROM HENNESY MECHANICAL SALES, LLC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$254,228.

Ms. Velasquez, provided a presentation to the Board regarding this item (copy on file in Central Files.) The Upper Valley Water Treatment Plant produces potable water for west El Paso. The plant was designed to operate utilizing two Fairbank Morse 24-inch backwash pumps. Currently, the plant does not have any redundant capabilities and would be unable to treat the water should the remaining pump fail. Staff recommends purchasing a new Fairbanks Morse 24-inch model C5721 centrifugal pump and spare impeller that would allow the plant to maintain the redundancy required during scheduled and unscheduled maintenance. Mr. Angel Bustamante, Water Systems Division Manager, addressed questions from the Board on this item.

On a motion made by Mr. Morris, seconded by Mr. Antcliff and unanimously carried, the Board approved the sole source purchase of a new Fairbanks Morse 24-inch centrifugal angle backwash pump and spare impeller from Henseny Mechanical Sales, LLC. in the amount of \$254,228.

8. CONSIDERED AND APPROVED A SOLE SOURCE PURCHASE OF A REMOTE CATHODIC PROTECTION MONITORING SYSTEM AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR AN INITIAL TERM OF ONE YEAR FROM ABRIOX LIMITED, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$96,980 AND AN ADDITIONAL ESTIMATED ANNUAL AMOUNT OF \$5,056 FOR SUBSEQUENT ANNUAL MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR A TERM OF FIVE YEARS.

Ms. Velasquez, provided a presentation to the Board regarding this item (copy on file in Central Files.) Abriox is the sole source supplier of the remote cathodic protection (CP) monitoring system currently installed at 53 of our steel water storage tanks. The Abriox proprietary system consists of wireless communication with CP monitors in the field to upload data to a central server operated by Abriox. The system proactively identifies potential corrosion problems when they occur and immediately alerts operators. This Abriox data is available 24/7 online to staff to manage, trend, and schedule maintenance of the CP system. The existing 2G Abriox units were installed in 2012 and must be replaced with new 4G/LTE units to continue remote cathodic protection monitoring. Mr. John Balliew, President/CEO, addressed questions from the Board on this item.

On a motion made by Mr. Morris, seconded by Dr. Santiago and unanimously carried, the Board approved a sole source purchase of a remote cathodic protection monitoring system and maintenance services for an initial term of one year from Abriox Limited, in the amount of \$96,980 and an additional estimated annual amount of \$5,056 for subsequent annual maintenance services for a term of five years.

9. CONSIDERED AND APPROVED A SOLE SOURCE PURCHASE OF THREE SUEZ CLIMBER SCREENS FOR THE JONATHAN ROGERS WATER TREATMENT PLANT FROM HARTWELL ENVIRONMENTAL CORPORATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$924,360.

Mr. Gilbert Trejo, Utility Chief Technical Officer, provided a presentation to the Board regarding this item (copy on file in Central Files.) As part of the Jonathan Rogers Water Treatment Plant Raw Water Improvements Project, the existing fine screens at the raw water intake need to be replaced. The existing screens are original to the plant and were installed in 1990. The original manufacturer was Infilco Degremont, which has been purchased by SUEZ Water Technologies and Solutions. A multi-factor qualitative review of several fine screen manufacturers determined that it is in the best interest of the Jonathan Rogers Water Treatment Plant to maintain standardization of the climber screens.

On a motion made by Mr. Antcliff, seconded by Mr. Morris and unanimously carried, the Board approved a sole source purchase of three Suez Climber Screens for the Jonathan Rogers Water Treatment Plant from Hartwell Environmental Corporation in the amount of \$924,360.

10. CONSIDERED AND APPROVED A SOLE SOURCE PURCHASE OF ONE LAKESIDE 90-INCH SCREW PUMP ASSEMBLY AND EQUIPMENT FOR REHABILITATING THREE EXISTING LAKESIDE SCREW PUMPS FOR THE JONATHAN ROGERS WATER TREATMENT PLANT TO LAKESIDE EQUIPMENT CORPORATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$564,618.

Mr. Trejo, provided a presentation to the Board regarding this item (copy on file in Central Files.) As part of the Jonathan Rogers Water Treatment Plant Raw Water Improvements Project, a new raw water intake channel and pump needs to be constructed to provide additional capacity and redundancy at the plant. This will be the fifth raw water intake pump at the plant. The existing four pump trains contain Lakeside Equipment Corporation screw pumps. Sole source is recommended based on standardization and continued use of the existing four Lakeside Screw Pumps.

On a motion made by Ms. Garcia, seconded by Mr. Antcliff and unanimously carried, the Board approved a sole source purchase of one lakeside 90-inch screw pump assembly and equipment for rehabilitating three existing Lakeside Screw Pumps for the Jonathan Rogers Water Treatment Plant to Lakeside Equipment Corporation in the amount of \$564,618.

11. CONSIDERED AND APPROVED A SOLE SOURCE PURCHASE OF 60-INCH DIAMETER ENDRESS+HAUSER MAGNETIC FLOW METER FOR THE JONATHAN ROGERS WATER TREATMENT PLANT TO VECTOR CONTROLS AND AUTOMATION GROUP IN THE AMOUNT OF \$67,875.24.

Mr. Trejo, provided a presentation to the Board regarding this item (copy on file in Central Files.) As part of the Jonathan Rogers Water Treatment Plant Raw Water Improvements Project, a 60-inch diameter magnetic flow meter needs to be installed on the existing 60-inch raw water intake pipeline. Sole sourcing of this mag meter is recommended based on EPWater SCADA standardization of Endress+Hauser mag meters throughout the Utility. Mr. Trejo, addressed questions from the Board on this item.

On a motion made by Ms. Garcia, seconded by Mr. Antcliff and unanimously carried, the Board approved a sole source purchase of 60-inch diameter Endress+Hauser magnetic flow meter for the Jonathan Rogers Water Treatment Plant to vector controls and automation group in the amount of \$67,875.24.

12. AUTHORIZED THE ISSUANCE OF JOB ORDER CONTRACTS ON AN AS-NEEDED BASIS USING ESC REGION 19 ALLIED STATES COOPERATIVE CONTRACT NUMBER 17-7261 TO ALL AWARDED CONTRACTORS, IN THE CUMULATIVE, ANNUAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$4,000,000, DURING THE TERM OF REGION 19 CONTRACT NUMBER 17-7261, WHICH HAS AN END DATE OF NOVEMBER 30, 2021, WITH A ONE YEAR EXTENSION, SHOULD REGION 19 EXERCISE THE OPTION TO EXTEND; AND THAT THE PRESIDENT/CEO OR DESIGNEE MAY SIGN ANY RELATED DOCUMENTATION TO EFFECTUATE EACH PURCHASE ORDER UNDER \$500,000, INCLUDING EPWATER SUPPLEMENTAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS. JOB, TASK, OR PURCHASE ORDERS THAT EXCEED \$500,000 WILL REQUIRE ADDITIONAL BOARD APPROVAL. Mr. Alan Shubert, Vice President of Operations and Technical Services, provided a presentation to the Board regarding this item (copy on file in Central Files.) EPWater has over 80 buildings in its inventory that are operated and maintained. Many of these Utility buildings and structures are in need of aesthetic and functional improvements. Most of these repairs and improvements are too small to be handled through design/bid/build processes and are too large to be handled in-house by our Building Maintenance section. In 2018, the PSB awarded National Job Order Contracting Services contracts through the ESC Region19 Allied States Cooperative to provide staff with a contracting mechanism to address most of the much-needed repairs and improvements quickly and effectively. This contracting method proved to be an efficient way to complete these projects as all the authorized capacity of these contracts was utilized. ESC Region19 Allied States Cooperative has an active Job Order Contract, Number 17-7261, with seventeen contractors available Mr. Shubert, addressed questions from the Board on this item.

On a motion made by Mr. Antcliff, seconded by Ms. Garcia and unanimously carried, the Board authorized the issuance of job order contracts on an as-needed basis using ESC Region 19 Allied States Cooperative Contract Number 17-7261 to all awarded contractors, in the cumulative, annual amount not to exceed \$4,000,000, during the term of Region 19 contract number 17-7261, which has an end date of November 30, 2021, with a one year extension, should Region 19 exercise the option to extend; and that the President/CEO or designee may sign any related documentation to effectuate each purchase order under \$500,000, including EPWater supplemental terms and conditions. Job, task, or purchase orders that exceed \$500,000 will require additional board approval.

13. CONSIDERED AND AWARDED BID NUMBER 71-20, FRED HERVEY WATER RECLAMATION FACILITY EQUALIZATION PUMP REPLACEMENT, TO THE LOWEST RESPONSIVE, RESPONSIBLE BIDDER, CUBIC WATER, LLC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$769,500.

Mr. Shubert, provided a presentation to the Board regarding this item (copy on file in Central Files.) Improvements to the equalization pumps at the Fred Hervey Water Reclamation Plant are needed. The existing Archimedes screw pumps and sluice gates have been in service for 35 years. These screw pumps no longer produce the flow they were originally designed for and the sluice gates no longer seal properly making maintenance of the pumps difficult. Mr. Shubert, addressed questions from the Board on this item.

On a motion made by Mr. Morris, seconded by Mr. Antcliff and unanimously carried, the Board awarded bid Number 71-20, Fred Hervey Water Reclamation Facility Equalization Pump Replacement, to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, Cubic Water, LLC., in the amount of \$769,500.

14. ADOPTED A RESOLUTION REQUESTING CITY COUNCIL TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF UP TO \$40,655,000 OF CITY OF EL PASO WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS SERIES 2021 TO PAY OFF \$40,000,000 IN COMMERCIAL PAPER NOTES AND FUND RELATED TRANSACTION COSTS, AND AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF UP TO \$78,000,000 OF CITY OF EL PASO WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS, TAXABLE SERIES 2021A TO REFUND \$66,740,000 OF EXISTING BONDS AND FUND INTEREST AND RELATED TRANSACTION COSTS;

PROVIDED THAT CERTAIN PARAMETERS APPROVED BY THE BOARD AND CITY COUNCIL ARE MET.

Mr. Arturo Duran, Utility Chief Financial Officer introduced Ms. Maria Fernanda Urbina, Managing Director of HilltopSecurities, who provided a presentation to the Board regarding this item (copy on file in Central Files.) EPWater currently has a Revolving Credit Agreement with Bank of America N.A. for the Water and Sewer Commercial Paper Notes Program in the amount of \$40,000,000. The Commercial Paper Program is a short-term variable rate financing tool utilized by the Utility to finance a portion of its Capital Improvement Program. Series 2021 will pay off \$40,000,000 of Commercial Paper Notes. In addition, due to favorable market conditions, the Utility is requesting to issue bonds Series 2021A up to \$78,000,000 to refund Series 2014 and 2015, in the par amount of \$66,740,000. This transaction will create an estimated net present value interest savings of \$3,838,000. Ms. Urbina, addressed questions from the Board on this item.

On a motion made by Mr. Antcliff, seconded by Ms. Garcia and unanimously carried, the Board adopted a resolution requesting City Council to authorize the issuance of up to \$40,655,000 of City of El Paso Water and Sewer System Revenue Refunding Bonds Series 2021 to pay off \$40,000,000 in commercial paper notes and fund related transaction costs, and authorize the issuance of up to \$78,000,000 of City of El Paso Water and Sewer System Revenue Refunding Bonds, Taxable Series 2021a to refund \$66,740,000 of existing bonds and fund interest and related transaction costs; provided that certain parameters approved by the board and city council are met.

15. ADOPTED A RESOLUTION ASKING CITY COUNCIL TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF UP TO \$9,100,000 OF CITY OF EL PASO MUNICIPAL DRAINAGE UTILITY SYSTEM REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS, TAXABLE SERIES 2021 TO REFUND \$8,555,000 OF EXISTING BONDS AND UP TO \$15,250,000 OF CITY OF EL PASO MUNICIPAL DRAINAGE UTILITY SYSTEM REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS SERIES 2021A TO PAY OFF \$15,000,000 IN DIRECT FUNDED REVOLVING LOAN NOTES AND FUND ANY ASSOCIATED INTEREST AND RELATED TRANSACTION COSTS; PROVIDED THAT CERTAIN PARAMETERS APPROVED BY THE BOARD AND CITY COUNCIL ARE MET.

Ms. Urbina, provided a presentation to the Board regarding this item (copy on file in Central Files.) EPWater currently has a Direct Funded Revolving Loan (DFRL) with Bank of America N.A. for the Municipal Drainage Utility Notes Program in the amount of \$25,000,000. The DFRL is a short-term variable note financing tool utilized by the Utility to finance a portion of its Capital Improvement Program. Series 2021A will pay off \$15,000,000 of DFRL outstanding notes. In addition, due to favorable market conditions, the Utility is requesting to issue bonds Series 2021 up to \$9,100,000 to refund Series 2012 in the par amount of \$8,550,000. This transaction will create an estimated net present value interest savings of \$555,000. Ms. Urbina, and Mr. Art Duran, Utility Chief Financial Officer, addressed questions from the Board on this item.

On a motion made by Mr. Ancliff, seconded by Dr. Santiago and unanimously carried, the Board adopted a resolution asking City Council to authorize the issuance of up to \$9,100,000 of City of El Paso Municipal Drainage Utility System Revenue Refunding Bonds, Taxable Series 2021 to refund \$8,555,000 of existing bonds and up to \$15,250,000 of City of El Paso Municipal Drainage Utility System Revenue Refunding Bonds Series 2021A to pay off \$15,000,000 in Direct Funded Revolving Loan notes and fund any associated interest and related transaction costs; provided that certain parameters approved by the Board and City Council are met.

16. UPDATED ON CUSTOMER DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS.

Mr. Arturo Duran, Utilities Chief Financial Officer, provided a presentation to the Board regarding this item (copy on file in Central Files.) From the start of pandemic in March 2020, Utilities suspended water service disconnections. Since then, the accounts with past due balances of more than 60 days have doubled from 10,000 to 20,000. The number of accounts owed that are past due over 60 days has grown from \$2 million to \$8 million. At the end of February 2020, 9% of customers had balances over 60 days. Now, the number is 29%. Water consumption since March has increased by 7%. If a customer's account balance goes uncollected, the amount EPWater would have to write off as uncollected would increase significantly and all customers would pay for the

write-offs. EPWater has helped 2,400 customers through the Cares Act and other available funding through Project Bravo and Project Amistad. EPWater employees collected \$3,700 to help customers pay past-due balances. A report will be provided to the PSB in March Board meeting. The EPWater resumed disconnections. EPWater identified 650 customers with delinquent accounts due past 60 days. These customers had a past-due balance before the pandemic. These individuals had not made payments and had not contacted EPWater for payment arrangements. Calls have been made to the customers so they may make payment arrangements on past-due amounts. Mr. Duran, Mr. John Balliew, President and CEO, and Ms. Lisa Rosendorf, Chief Communications and Government Affairs Officer, addressed questions from the Board on this item.

17. MANAGEMENT REPORT:

•PROVIDED AN UPDATE ON RECENT STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Lisa Rosendorf, Chief Communications and Government Affairs Officer, provided a presentation to the board regarding this item (copy on file in Central Files.) The first funding is regarding the Central Dams Study to Receive Funding from U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The Central Dams and Watershed Flood Control Study will be for only 9 projects selected nationally for the year. The feasibility study will look at 10 central flood control structures for function, rehabilitation or replacement. EPWater received \$500K for this year but this is actually a 3-year program of \$1.5M at a 50% cost share. Construction arising from this program eligible for 75% construction funding. ASR Enhanced Arroyo to Receive Funding from Texas Military Preparedness Commission for the Aquifer Storage and Recharge Project Funding in the amount of \$4.5 million toward Enhanced Arroyo project, which is 32% of the total cost.

•PRESENTATION OF AWARDS FROM THE AMERICAN COUNCIL OF ENGINEERING COMPANIES TO EPWATER ENGINEERING CONTRACTORS FOR EPWATER PROJECTS.

Mr. Alan Shubert, Vice President of Operations and Technical Services, provided a presentation to the board regarding this item (copy on file in Central Files.) The American Council of Engineering Companies Awards for EPWater Projects include, Parkhill Smith and Cooper – Canal Plant Tunnel Project and H2O Terra – Secondary Membrane Treatment of Reverse Osmosis Concentrate. Both projects received gold medal state awards and national recognition. Judges select projects based on uniqueness, originality, technical, value to the engineering profession, complexity and how well the project meet the clients' needs.

On a motion made by Mr. Antcliff, seconded by Mr. Morris and unanimously carried, the Board postponed the remaining two items from Item #17 of the Management Report to the March PSB meeting agenda, to include the Update on Master Contracts and the Update on Intergovernmental Services Agreements with Fort Bliss.

•UPDATE ON MASTER CONTRACTS

•UPDATE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL SERVICES AGREEMENTS (IGSA) WITH FORT BLISS

18. 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.

There were no comments from the public.

On a motion made by Mayor Leeser, seconded by Mr. Morris, and unanimously carried, the Board retired into Executive Session at 10:52 a.m., February 10, 2021, pursuant to Section 3.5A of the El Paso City Charter and the Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 through 551.076 to discuss the following:

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 property can be declared inexpedient to the water system, the property is legally described as a portion of Tract 1A2, Block 18, Upper Valley Survey, an Addition to El Paso County, Texas, consisting of approximately 2.76 acres.

b. **Section 551.072 Deliberation regarding Real Property**

The Board will deliberate regarding whether the following property can be declared inexpedient to the stormwater system, the property is legally described as portion of Tracts 1-A-2, 2A, & 3-A-1, Block 56, Ysleta Grant, City of El Paso, El Paso County, Texas, consisting of approximately 1.61 acres.

On a motion by Ms. Garcia seconded by Mr. Morris, with Dr. Santiago not present, leaving at 11:02 a.m., the Board reconvened in open session at 12:40 p.m.

THE BOARD DELIBERATED REGARDING WHETHER THE FOLLOWING PROPERTY CAN BE DECLARED INEXPEDIENT TO THE WATER SYSTEM, THE PROPERTY IS LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS A PORTION OF TRACT 1A2, BLOCK 18, UPPER VALLEY SURVEY, AN ADDITION TO EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS, CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 2.76 ACRES.

Motion made by Ms. Garcia and seconded by Mr. Morris and carried that the described land be declared inexpedient to the water system and that the President and CEO be authorized to proceed in the manner approved by the Board and in accordance with the terms and conditions specified by the Board, and thereafter to forward to City of El Paso a recommendation to sell the property, and to sign any and all documents necessary to complete the sale of the property.

THE BOARD DELIBERATED REGARDING WHETHER THE FOLLOWING PROPERTY CAN BE DECLARED INEXPEDIENT TO THE STORMWATER SYSTEM, THE PROPERTY IS LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS PORTION OF TRACTS 1-A-2, 2A, & 3-A-1, BLOCK 56, YSLETA GRANT, CITY OF EL PASO, EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS, CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 1.61 ACRES.

Motion made by Ms. Garcia and seconded by Mr. Antcliff and carried that the determination of inexpediency is denied for the described land.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Mr. Antcliff, seconded by Mr. Morris and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 11:06 a.m., February 10, 2021.

ATTEST:



Kristina Mena-Chair



Secretary-Treasurer