

APPROVED 5-28-14

City of Tacoma
Public Utility Board Meeting
May 14, 2014
6:30 p.m.

Mr. Nelson called the Public Utility Board meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. at the Public Utilities Administration Building.

Present: David Nelson, Woodrow Jones, Mark Patterson, Bryan Flint.

Excused: Monique Trudnowski

The meeting was quorate.

Minutes of the Previous Meetings

Mr. Jones moved that the minutes of the previous meetings be adopted; seconded by Mr. Flint. Voice vote was taken and carried. The minutes were declared adopted and made part of the record.

Recognitions

There were no recognitions.

Comments from the Public

There were no public comments.

Consent Agenda

There were no items on the consent agenda.

Regular Agenda

- D-1 Resolution U-10689 Award contracts and approve purchases:
 - 1. Award contract to General Mechanical, Inc., for the rehabilitation of the LaGrande Dam surge tank (\$247,725, plus applicable sales tax);
 - 2. Award contract to Coast Rail, Inc., for the removal and replacement of existing track infrastructure within the North Intermodal Yard (\$623,105, plus sales tax).

Mr. Jones moved to adopt the resolution; seconded by Mr. Flint.

Voice vote was taken and carried. The resolution was declared adopted.

D-2 Motion 14-06 – Authorize settlement in the property damage claim of Union Tank Car Company.

Mr. Jones moved to approve the motion; seconded by Mr. Flint.

Bill Fosbre, Chief Deputy City Attorney, stated this motion seeks approval for final settlement of a property damage claim in the total of \$42,588.89 which arose from an incident on June 4, 2013, at which time an empty tank car was caused to derail, resulting in damage to the tank car. A confidential memorandum containing details has been provided to the Board.

Voice vote was taken and carried. The motion was approved.

D-3 Resolution U-10690 – Authorize execution of a collective bargaining agreement negotiated between the City of Tacoma and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Click! Network Unit.

Mr. Jones moved to adopt the resolution; seconded by Mr. Flint.

Mike Brock, Labor Negotiator, summarized the resolution. This resolution recommends approval of the 2012 – 2015 Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Tacoma and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW), Local 483, Click! Network Unit. Mr. Brock outlined the terms of the agreement. The agreement covers approximately 42 budgeted, full-time equivalent positions and will be considered by the City Council on June 3.

Voice vote was taken and carried. The resolution was declared adopted.

D-4 Resolution U-10691 – Authorize execution of a proposed 2013 – 2017 collective bargaining agreement between the City of Tacoma and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 483, Tacoma Power Unit.

Mr. Jones moved to adopt the resolution; seconded by Mr. Flint.

Tara Schaak, Labor Negotiator, summarized the resolution. The resolution recommends execution of a proposed 2013-2017 Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Tacoma and IBEW Local 483, Tacoma Power Unit. Ms. Schaak outlined the terms of the agreement. The agreement covers approximately 329 budgeted full-time equivalent positions and will be considered by the City Council on June 3.

Voice vote was taken and carried. The resolution was declared adopted.

D-5 Resolution U-10692 – Authorize Tacoma Power to declare surplus and convey approximately 13.06 acres of property in Lewis County.

Mr. Jones moved to adopt the resolution; seconded by Mr. Flint.

Gloria Fletcher, Sr. Real Estate Officer, summarized the resolution which declares surplus and approves the negotiated sale of an approximately 13.06 acre site, located off Howe Road in Lewis County, to the abutting property owner, David Filla. The net cash proceeds of the sale will be \$160,515 and will be returned to the Cowlitz fish habitat fund. Mark LaRiviere, Fisheries Biologist, provided clarification upon Board request about fish habitat management activities.

Voice vote was taken and carried. The resolution was declared adopted.

D-6 Resolution U-10693 – Authorize extension of Tacoma Power's succession plan special project granted under Resolution U-10223.

Mr. Jones moved to adopt the resolution; seconded by Mr. Flint.

Gordon Caudill, Assistant T&D Manager, summarized the resolution. Resolution U-10223 was originally approved in June 2008 to establish a new succession planning project which allows flexibility to hire candidates for various positions based upon projected retirements. The project is not complete and it is Power's intent to request an extension through December 31, 2018 to continue to budget for seasonal and temporary project employees and students in their apprenticeship programs.

Voice vote was taken and carried. The resolution was declared adopted.

H. Reports of the Director

- H-1 March 2014 cash projections for Power, Water, and Rail
- H-2 March 2014 financials for Power, Water, Rail, Fleet, and Self-Insurance Fund

I. Comments by Members of the Board

Board Member Jones made positive remarks on the study session briefing given by former TPU Director and American Public Power President/CEO, Mark Crisson at the study session.

J. Adjournment

There being no further business or comments, the Public Utility Board was adjourned at 6:55 p.m. until Wednesday, May 28, 2014, for a study session beginning at 3:00 p.m., followed by the regular meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Approved:

David S. Nelson, Chair

Bryan Flint, Secretary