



**MINUTES OF THE  
WORKSHOP/MEETING OF  
THE  
INLAND EMPIRE UTILITIES AGENCY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2019  
10:00 A.M.**

**DIRECTORS PRESENT:**

Paul Hofer, President  
Jasmin A. Hall, Vice President  
Kati Parker, Secretary/Treasurer

**DIRECTORS ABSENT:**

Michael Camacho  
Steven J. Elie

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Shivaji Deshmukh, General Manager  
Kathy Besser, Executive Manager of External Affairs & Policy Development/AGM  
Shaun Stone, Acting Executive Manager of Engineering/AGM  
Christina Valencia, Executive Manager of Finance & Administration/AGM  
Andrea Carruthers, Manager of External Affairs  
Javier Chagoyen-Lazaro, Manager of Finance & Accounting  
Stephanie Chancellor, External Affairs Analyst  
Elizabeth Hurst, Senior Environmental Resources Planner  
Sylvie Lee, Manager of Planning & Environmental Resources  
Jason Marseilles, Senior Engineer  
John Scherck, Senior Project Manager  
Daniel Solorzano, Technology Specialist I  
Wilson To, Technology Specialist II  
Teresa Velarde, Manager of Internal Audit  
April Woodruff, Board Secretary/Office Manager

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Jean Cihigoyenette, JC Law Firm  
Ryder Todd Smith, Tripepi Smith & Associates  
Melanie James, Tripepi Smith & Associates

A workshop/meeting of the Board of Directors of the Inland Empire Utilities Agency\* was held at the office of the Agency, 6075 Kimball Avenue, Bldg. A, Chino, California on the above date.

President Hofer called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and led the pledge of allegiance to the flag. A quorum was present.

President Hofer stated that members of the public may address the Board. There was no one desiring to do so.

President Hofer asked if there were any changes/additions/deletions to the agenda. There were no changes/additions/deletions to the agenda.

## **WORKSHOP**

### **IEUA WEBSITE REDESIGN UPDATE**

President Ryder Smith from Tripepi Smith & Associates gave an update on the IEUA Website Redesign Project. Mr. Smith discussed some of the enhancements which includes: a full screen and a functioning slider that can act as a video portal or standing image; simplifying and categorizing the menu dropdown function for efficiency; website transparency; user-friendly functionality; implementing Section 508 Regulations; and the Google translation feature. Mr. Smith presented two design mockups. Discussion ensued regarding the layout of the website.

### **RP-5 EXPANSION PROJECT CONSTRUCTION COST WORKSHOP**

Acting Executive Manager of Engineering/AGM Shaun Stone provided a PowerPoint update on the RP-5 Expansion Project. Mr. Stone explained that the original construction cost estimate was \$245 million which has increased to \$282 million due to the competitive construction labor market and potential overtime required to meet the current schedule. Therefore, the project budget increased from \$325 million to \$360 million; currently the Agency budget is \$340 million. Mr. Stone explained that the value engineering options were evaluated to potentially reduce construction cost and noted the impacts to the project schedule and operations and maintenance. Mr. Stone stated that staff recommends to not modify the design and wait for the bidding results and adjust the budget if necessary. He stated that the Agency will discuss the finalized project, schedule and financing plan at the October Board workshop.

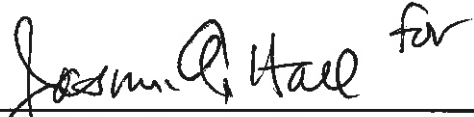
### **DIRECTORS' COMMENTS**

There were no comments from the Board of Directors.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

General Counsel Jean Cihigoyenette recommended that closed session be deferred to the next meeting due to not having the full Board present. The Board concurred.

With no further business, President Hofer adjourned the meeting at 11:07 a.m.

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Kati Parker, Secretary/Treasurer

**APPROVED: SEPTEMBER 18, 2019**