

# SAN FRANCISCO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

City and County of San Francisco

**London N. Breed**Mayor

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA Tuesday, November 12, 2024 1:30 PM

> 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place City Hall, Room 400

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### **Commissioners**

Kate H. Stacy, President Joshua Arce, Vice President Avni Jamdar Stephen E. Leveroni

> Dennis J. Herrera General Manager

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#### **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Approval of the Minutes of October 22, 2024
- 4. General Public Comment

  Members of the public may address the Commission on matters that are within the Commission's jurisdiction and are not on today's agenda.
- 5. Report of the General Manager (discussion only)
  - a) Report on Recent San Francisco Public Utilities Commission Activities, Events and Announcements
- 6. Bay Area Water Supply and Conservation Agency Report

## 7. CONSENT CALENDAR

- a) Award Contract No. WW-729, Various Locations Sewer Replacement No. 17, to the responsible bidder that submitted the lowest responsive bid, J. Flores Construction Company, Inc., in the amount of \$8,108,502 and with a duration of 580 consecutive calendar days (approximately one year and seven months) to replace/line existing sewers on specified streets in the City and County of San Francisco. This action constitutes the Approval Action for the Project for the purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to San Francisco Administrative Code section 31.04(h). The Planning Department has determined that the Project is exempt from the CEQA. The Commission will rely on that determination to make its decision on this action. (Robinson)
- b) Award Contract No. WW-740, Various Large Diameter Sewer Inspection No. 2, to the responsible bidder that submitted the lowest responsive bid, Pipe & Plant Solutions, Inc., in the amount \$2,947,000 and with a duration of 425 consecutive calendar days (approximately 1 year and 2 months), to inspect and clean large diameter sewers and laterals and to complete post-processing videos coding. (Robinson)
- c) Award Contract No. WD-2876, 8-Inch Ductile Iron Water Main Replacement and 16-Inch Ductile Iron Water Main Installation on San Bruno Ave. from Campbell Ave. to Paul Ave. and on Blanken Ave. from Bayshore Blvd. to Executive Park Blvd., to the responsible bidder that submitted the lowest responsive bid, Cratus, Inc., in the amount of \$11,474,011 with a duration of 634 consecutive calendar days (approximately one year and nine months), to install water mains in the Portola and Visitacion Valley Districts of San Francisco. This action constitutes the Approval Action for the Project for the purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to San Francisco Administrative Code section 31.04(h). The Planning Department has determined that the Project is exempt from the CEQA. The Commission will rely on that determination to make its decision on this action. (Robinson)
- d) Award Contract No. WD-2910, Procurement and Installation of Medium and Large Diameter

Valves for Regional Pipelines, to the responsible bidder that submitted the lowest responsive bid, Anvil Builders, Inc., in the amount of \$4,807,600, and with a duration of 1,435 consecutive calendar days (approximately three years and 11 months) to procure and install butterfly valves for water transmission pipelines in the Regional Water System. This action constitutes the Approval Action for the Project for the purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to San Francisco Administrative Code section 31.04(h). The Planning Department has determined that the Project is exempt from the CEQA. The Commission will rely on that determination to make its decision on this action. (Robinson)

## **REGULAR CALENDAR**

- 8. <u>Appoint President Kate Stacy to serve as a Commissioner on the San Joaquin Tributaries</u>
  <u>Authority Commission</u>. (Ritchie)
- 9. Approve increases of \$1,578,919 to the cost contingency and 542 days to the duration contingency for <a href="Contract No. WD-2868R">Contract No. WD-2868R</a>, San Francisco Local Water As-Needed Paving (FY 21-24), with A. Ruiz Construction Company & Associates, Inc., for a revised cost limit of \$20,785,500 and a revised duration of 1,825 consecutive calendar days, due to an ongoing need for as-needed paving services until SFPUC issues a replacement (new) contract. (Ritchie)
- 10. Approve Modification No. 1 to Job Order Contract No. JOC-98, Electrical (C-10 License) Construction, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, and Alameda Counties, with U.S. Electric Technologies, Inc., to increase the contract duration by three years for a total contract duration of five years and to increase the contract amount by \$2,500,000 for a revised not-to-exceed contract amount of \$7,500,000, for additional time and capacity for facility and asset improvements.

  (Robinson)
- 11. Approve Amendment No. 1 to Professional Services Contract No. PRO.0183, Residential Green Infrastructure Grant Program, with Greenprint Partners, increasing the contract amount by \$500,000 for a new total contract amount of \$645,000, and extending the contract duration by three years and nine months for a new total contract duration of five years and nine months, and increasing the scope of work to include additional neighborhoods for outreach and implementation; and approve Amendment No. 1 to the companion Grant Agreement No. PRO.0183(G), Residential Green Infrastructure Grant Program, with Greenprint Partners, increasing the agreement amount by \$700,000, for a new total agreement amount of \$855,000, and extending the agreement duration by three years and nine months for a new total agreement duration of five years and nine months. (Prather)
- 12. Public hearing to consider and possible action to adopt amendments to the <u>San Francisco Public Utilities Commission's Social Impact Partnership Program Rules and Regulations</u>, in conformance with the requirements of Charter Section 4.104 and San Francisco Administrative Code Chapter 21F, effective November 18, 2024. (Ordikhani)
- 13. Sunset COVID-19 pandemic procedures for water and sewer customer bill collection and delinquency actions, and resume normal business practices for shutoffs, liens, and fines; amend wastewater and water shutoff and lien policies to provide exemptions, subject to limitations, to (1) customers with an outstanding bill balance of \$100 or less, (2) customers enrolled in the Customer Assistance Program, and (3) customers within defined Area Mean Income limits who qualify for extenuating circumstances. (Hom)

# 14. COMMUNICATIONS (information only)

- a) Advance Calendar
- b) Contract Advertisement Report
- c) Correspondence Log
- d) Water Supply Conditions Update
- e) SFPUC Green Infrastructure Grant Program Quarterly Update
- f) Annual Multi-Enterprise Climate Program Update
- g) SFPUC Annual Surveillance Reports
- 15. Items initiated by Commissioners (discussion only)
- 16. Public Comment on the matter to be addressed during Closed Session
- 17. Motion on whether to assert the attorney-client privilege regarding the matters listed below:

The Commission will go into Closed Session to discuss the following item:

## **CLOSED SESSION**

18. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL regarding anticipated litigation (Government Code § 54956.9(d), San Francisco Administrative Code § 67.10(d)):

James Hourihan v. City and County of San Francisco

Unlitigated Claim File No.: 25-00425

Date Filed: August 30, 2024

Proposed settlement of an unlitigated claim for property damage resulting from a ruptured water main with the City and County of San Francisco to pay James Hourihan \$75,000 in exchange for a full and final release, subject to final approval by the Board of Supervisors.

(action item) (Bregman)

19. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL regarding existing litigation (California Government Code, Section 54956.9(d)(1), and San Francisco Administrative Code, Section 67.10(d)(1)):

City and County of San Francisco v. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. Supreme Court, Case No. 23-753, Certiorari granted May 28, 2024; City and County of San Francisco v. California State Water Resources Control Board (Alameda Superior Court, Case No. RG-19042575, Filed October 30, 2019) (discussion only) (Bregman)

20. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL regarding existing litigation (California Government Code, Section 54956.9(d)(1), and San Francisco Administrative Code, Section 67.10(d)(1)):

U.S. v. City and County of San Francisco

(Northern District of California, Case No. 24-cv-2594, Filed May 1, 2024)

(discussion only) (Bregman)

Following Closed Session, the Commission will reconvene in Open Session

- 21. Announcement following Closed Session
- 22. Motion regarding whether to disclose the discussion during Closed Session pursuant to San Francisco Administrative Code Section 67.12(a).
- 23. Adjournment

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