



SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE

**City of Tacoma
Public Utility Board
Wednesday, March 24, 2021
3:00 P.M.**

Notice is hereby given that a special meeting of the Tacoma Public Utility Board will be held on Wednesday, March 24, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.

*To comply with Governor Inslee's Proclamation 20-28, this meeting will not be conducted in-person and will have telephonic and virtual access for the public to attend.

Attendance and public comment for this meeting will be done virtually through Zoom at <https://zoom.us/j/94872318678> or telephonically by dialing (253) 215-8782 and entering the meeting ID 948 7231 8678. This meeting will be broadcast on TV Tacoma and also [live streamed](#).

Written comments submitted to the Public Utility Board at utilityboard@cityoftacoma.org will be provided to the Board before the meeting if the comments are received by 2:00 p.m.

Call to Order

Roll Call

- A. Approve Minutes of Previous Meetings**
- B. Comments by the Public**
- C. Regular Agenda**

Departmental

- C-1 Resolution U-11242– Award contracts and approve purchases:
1. Award three-year contract to Asplundh Tree Expert, LLC, for power line vegetation clearance crews (\$6,590,040, plus applicable taxes, plus a single, one-year renewal option for a projected contract amount of \$8,874,587.20, including a four percent escalation for the renewal option year) [Joe Parris, Contract Program Manager];
 2. Award contract to Midvale Signals, Inc., for the installation of active grade crossing signalization at two public railroad crossings along Marine View Drive (\$892,855.43, plus applicable taxes) [Kyle Kelleem, Roadmaster];
 3. Award two-year contract to RailWorks Track Systems, Inc., for railroad grade crossing signal system maintenance and inspections (\$1,412,780, plus applicable taxes. Includes option to renew for two, one-year periods for a projected cumulative contract amount of \$2,825,560, plus applicable taxes) [Kyle Kelleem, Roadmaster].

4. Award two-year contract to Motorola Solutions, Inc., for equipment, software, licensing, services, and support to upgrade Tacoma Water's VHF radio system at the Headworks (\$1,226,508, plus applicable taxes, plus a system upgrade agreement and system maintenance services paid annually for an additional 12 years for a total of 14 years) [John Zwosta, Power Engineer].
- C-2 Resolution U-11243 – A resolution to revise the implementation of the WorkForce Connect special project across Tacoma Power, Tacoma Water, and the City of Tacoma Environmental Services divisions to extend through December 31, 2021 [Tony Landrith, Assistant Section Manager].

Tacoma Power

- C-3 Resolution U-11244 - Approve declaration of surplus of the Mayfield power transformers no longer needed for Tacoma Power's current or future needs and authorize the sale of equipment to the highest responsive bidder (Per RCW 35.94.040, a public hearing on declaration of surplus will be held). [Sean Veley, Power Supervisor].
- C-4 Resolution U-11245 – Authorize Tacoma Power's updated new service fees for the electrical services new services work group with the 2021 fees to become effective May 1, 2021 and subsequent years' fees to become effective April 1 of 2022, 2023, and 2024 [Christina Leinneweber, Sr. Utilities Economist].
- C-5 Resolution U-11246 – A resolution to authorize Tacoma Power to revise terms, conditions, and rates for the Open Access Transmission Tariff effective May 1, 2021 [Marc Donaldson, Power Engineer].

D. Reports of the Director

- Update on the status and impact of the COVID-19 virus and TPU's response to the emergency declaration
- Strategic Directive Seven (SD7, Reliability and Resiliency) Report
- Insurance Update
- General updates

E. Comments of the Board

F. Adjournment



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