# MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT, AUGUST 12, 2019:

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District was held Monday, August 12, 2019, at 2029 East Avenue Q, Palmdale, California, in the Board Room of the District office. President, Vincent Dino, called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

# 1) Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence.

At the request of President Dino, Director Mac Laren led the pledge of allegiance followed by a moment of silence.

# 2) Roll Call.

Attendance: Others Present:	
Vincent Dino, President Dennis LaMoreaux, General Manager	
Kathy Mac Laren, Vice President Eric Dunn, General Counsel	
Gloria Dizmang, Treasurer Adam Ly, Assistant General Manager	
Don Wilson, Secretary Mike Williams, Finance Manager	
Robert Alvarado, Assistant Judy Shay, Public Affairs Director	
Secretary Chris Bligh, Facilities Manager	

Peter Thompson II, Deputy Water & Energy Res. Dir.

Dawn Deans, Executive Assistant 5 members of the public

# 3) Adoption of Agenda.

It was moved by Director Alvarado, seconded by Director Mac Laren, and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Directors present at the meeting to adopt the agenda, as written.

# 4) Public Comments for Non-Agenda Items.

There were no public comments.

#### 5) Presentations:

# 5.1) None at This Time.

There were no presentations.

- 6) Action Items Consent Calendar: (The Public Shall Have an Opportunity to Comment on Any Action Item on the Consent Calendar as the Consent Calendar is Considered Collectively by the Board of Directors Prior to Action Being Taken.)
  - 6.1) Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting Held July 22, 2019.
  - 6.2) Payment of Bills for August 12, 2019.
- 6.3) Approval of Resolution No. 19-12 Approving the Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association Budget for Fiscal Year 2019/2020. (Deputy Water and Energy Resources Director and AVSWCA Assistant General Manager Thompson II)
- 6.4) Receive and File Semi-Annual Employee Reimbursement Report for the Period Covering January 1, 2019 Through June 30, 2019. (Finance Manager Williams)
- 6.5) Approve Absence of Director Alvarado From July 22, 2019 Meeting Due to Vacation. (General Counsel Dunn)

President Dino announced the items included in the Consent Calendar after which it was moved by Director Mac Laren, seconded by Director Dizmang, and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Directors present at the meeting to approve those items included in the Consent Calendar.

Resolution No. 19-12 is hereby made a portion of the minutes of this meeting.

- 7) Action Items Action Calendar (The Public Shall Have an Opportunity to Comment on Any Action Item as Each Item is Considered by the Board of Directors Prior to Action Being Taken.)
- 7.1) Consideration and Possible Action on Setting Palmdale Water District's Assessment Rates for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 and Adoption of Resolution No. 19-13. (Finance Manager Williams)

Finance Manager Williams provided an overview of the proposed assessment rates for fiscal year 2019-2020, and after a brief discussion of the purpose of the assessments, it was moved by Director Alvarado, seconded by Director Dizmang, and carried on a 4-0 vote by all members of the Board of Directors present at the meeting, with Director Wilson abstaining, to set the Palmdale Water District's assessment rates

for fiscal year 2019-2020 at 0.218170 and to adopt Resolution No. 19-13 establishing said rates.

Resolution No. 19-13 is hereby made a portion of the minutes of this meeting.

7.2) Consideration and Possible Action on 2020-2021 Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) Region 8 Board Election. (No Budget Impact – General Manager LaMoreaux)

After a brief discussion of the slate of candidates for the ACWA Region 8 Board election, it was moved by Director Mac Laren, seconded by Director Alvarado, and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Directors present at the meeting for President Dino to cast the District's vote for the ACWA Region 8 2020-2021 Board election.

President Dino then stated that his preference is to cast the District's vote for the ACWA Region 8 Nominating Committee's recommended slate of candidates.

7.3) Consideration and Possible Action to Create an Ad-Hoc Committee for Working with Las Virgenes Municipal Water District on a Joint Event. (No Budget Impact – Public Affairs Director Shay)

Public Affairs Director Shay stated that it had been requested to hold a joint event with Las Virgenes Municipal Water District; that this event had to be cancelled due to the distance between the agencies, budget constraints, and staffing; and that staff recommends an Ad-Hoc Committee be formed to discuss the feasibility of joint events with Las Virgenes Municipal Water District, and after a brief discussion of the upcoming local event co-hosted by area agencies, it was moved by Director Alvarado, seconded by Director Mac Laren, and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Directors present at the meeting that an Ad-Hoc Committee be appointed to discuss the feasibility of a joint event with Las Virgenes Municipal Water District.

- 7.4) Consideration and Possible Action on Authorization of the Following Conferences, Seminars, and Training Sessions for Board and Staff Attendance Within Budget Amounts Previously Approved in the 2019 Budget:
- a) ACWA Region 8 Legislative Forum to be Held September 20, 2019 in Pasadena.

# b) California Emergency Services Association (CESA) to be held October 21 – 24, 2019 in Sonoma.

After a brief discussion of these conferences, seminars, and training sessions, it was moved by Director Mac Laren, seconded by Director Alvarado, and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Directors present at the meeting to approve the following conferences, seminars, and training sessions for Board and staff attendance within budget amounts previously approved in the 2019 Budget: ACWA Region 8 Legislative Forum to be Held September 20, 2019 in Pasadena and California Emergency Services Association (CESA) to be held October 21 – 24, 2019 in Sonoma.

#### 8) Information Items:

## 8.1) Reports of Directors:

## a) Meetings/General Report.

Director Wilson reported that on July 8, he attended the Palmdale Water District Regular Board Meeting; that on July 16, he attended the Financial Health and Stability Committee meeting; that on July 17, he attended the Palmdale Chamber of Commerce luncheon where Finance Manager Williams provided an overview of the Proposition 218 process; that on July 22, he attended the Palmdale Water District Regular Board Meeting; and that on July 31, he attended the Regional Leadership and Outreach Committee meeting.

Director Dizmang reported that on July 24, she attended the Organizational Excellence Committee meeting; that on August 6, she attended the Antelope Valley Hispanic Chamber of Commerce luncheon; and that on August 8, she attended a Board briefing with General Manager LaMoreaux and Assistant General Manager Ly regarding tonight's Board Meeting.

Director Mac Laren reported that on July 24, she attended the Antelope Valley Watermaster meeting; that also on July 24, she attended the Organizational Excellence Committee meeting; that on August 6, she attended the Resource Reliability and Operational Efficiency Committee meeting; that on August 8, she attended a Board briefing with General Manager LaMoreaux and Assistant General Manager Ly regarding tonight's Board Meeting; and that also on August 8, she completed her KnowBe4 Security Awareness training.

Director Alvarado reported that on July 31, he attended the Regional Leadership and Outreach Committee meeting; that on August 6, he attended the Resource Reliability and Operational Efficiency Committee meeting; that on August 8, he attended a Board briefing with General Manager LaMoreaux and Assistant General Manager Ly regarding tonight's Board Meeting; that also on August 8, he completed his KnowBe4 Security Awareness training; and then invited everyone to attend the upcoming International Heritage Festival scheduled for September 14, 2019 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Poncitlan Square in Palmdale.

President Dino reported that on July 23, he attended an AVEK Board meeting; that on July 25, he attended an agenda review and approval meeting; that on August 8, he attended a Board briefing with General Manager LaMoreaux and Assistant General Manager Ly regarding tonight's Board Meeting; and that on August 12, he is attending the Palmdale Water District Regular Board Meeting.

- b) Standing Committee/Assignment Reports (Chair):
  - 1) Organizational Excellence Committee.
  - 2) Leadership and Outreach Committee.
- 3) Resource Reliability and Operational Efficiency Committee.

There were no further reports on Standing Committee/Assignments.

# 8.2) Report of General Manager.

General Manager LaMoreaux provided an update on the upcoming construction of two buildings at a future Veterans community in Palmdale for the Extreme Home Makeover television show and stated that the District is working with the City regarding fire protection.

# 8.3) Report of General Counsel.

General Counsel Dunn reported that the Governor signed Senate Bill 200 regarding the budget act to appropriate \$100 million from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund towards safe and affordable drinking water; that in fiscal year 2020-2021, 5% of the annual

proceeds for the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund will be allocated for safe and affordable drinking water in the amount of \$130 million; and that this should set aside any water tax.

# 9) Board Members' Requests for Future Agenda Items.

Director Dizmang requested Agenda Item No.'s 8.1.a and 8.1.b be combined for Directors to provide complete reports on activities and Committee assignments and then stated that she will provide a detailed Committee report at the next Regular Board Meeting.

Director Mac Laren then stated that she will also provide a detailed Committee report at the next Regular Board Meeting.

There were no further requests for future agenda items.

# 10) Adjournment.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

Secretary

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 19-12**

# RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT APPROVING ANTELOPE VALLEY STATE WATER CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019/2020

WHEREAS, the Palmdale Water District, along with the Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency and the Littlerock Creek Irrigation District, is a member agency of the Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association formed by a Joint Powers Agreement dated May 26, 1999; and

WHEREAS, said Joint Powers Agreement provides for the formulation and adoption of a budget for the Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association and approval of said budget by its members; and

WHEREAS, the Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association unanimously adopted a budget for fiscal year 2019/20 at their regular meeting held July 11, 2019 which included an allocation among the member agencies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District hereby approves the 2019/20 budget and allocation of budgeted funds adopted by the Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association.

I certify that this is a true copy of Resolution No. 19-12 as passed by the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District at its meeting held August 12, 2019 in Palmdale, California.

Date: August 12, 2019

Vincent Dino, President, Board of Directors

ATTEST:

Don Wilson, Secretary, Board of Directors

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Aleshire & Wynder, LLP, General Counsel

## PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 19-13

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles County Auditor-Controller has submitted to the Palmdale Water District the assessed value information necessary to enable the District to establish its assessment rates; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has reviewed the assessed value information and has calculated the amounts needed to be raised to meet the State Water Contract; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has determined the assessment rate required to raise the required funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of Palmdale Water District hereby establishes the following secured tax rates for 2019-2020:

ACCOUNT#	AGENCY NAME	TAX RATE
308.60	Palmdale Water District	.000000
308.61	Palmdale Water District Zone B	0.218170
308.62	Palmdale Water District Zone B2	0.218170
308.63	Palmdale Water District Zone C	0.218170
308.65	Palmdale Water District Zone E	0.218170
308.66	Palmdale Water District Zone A	0.218170
308.67	Palmdale Water-Westmont Imp. Dist.	.000000

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, State of California, is hereby authorized and directed, at the time and in the manner directed by law, in addition to any and all other taxes and assessments levied against the lands within the Palmdale Water District, to levy and collect assessments against all of the lands within said District and the aforesaid improvement District at the rates set forth above.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors held on August 12, 2019, by the following roll call vote:

AYE: President Dino, Director Mac Laren, Director

Dizmang, Director Alvarado

=NO:= ABSTAIN: Director Wilson

ABSENT: None

I hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the tax rates levied herein are exempt from the application of Article XIII A, Section 1(A) of the Constitution of the State of California.

DATED: <u>August 12, 2019</u>

Vincent Dino, President, Board of Directors

ATTEST:

Don Wilson, Secretary, Board of Directors

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Eric Dunn, General Counsel, Aleshire & Wynder LLP

#### RESOLUTION NO. 19-13

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# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AUDITOR-CONTROLLER, TAX DIVISION

#### 2019 - 20 SECURED TAX RATES

ACCT #	AGENCY NAME	TAX RATE
308.60	PALMDALE WATER DIST	0.000000
308.61	PALMDALE WATER DIST ZONE B	0.218170
308.62	PALMDALE WATER DIST ZONE B2	0.218170
308.63	PALMDALE WATER DIST ZONE C	0.218170
308.65	PALMDALE WATER DIST ZONE E	0.218170
308.66	PALMDALE WATER DIST ZONE A	0.218170
308.67	PALMDALE WATER-WESTMONT IMP DIST	0.000000

I, <u>Vincent Dino</u>, AM -A -MEMBER -OF -THE -GITY -GOUNGIL, A MEMBER OF THE GOVERNING BOARD, -THE -GHIEF -EXECUTIVE -OR -THE -GHIEF - FINANCIAL - OFFICER FOR THIS AGENCY AND I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE TAX RATES LEVIED HEREIN ARE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE XII SECTION 1(b) OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

President,

Board of Directors

August 12, 2019

SIGNATURE TITLE

DATE

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE