

Press Release

Palmdale Water District

Board Meeting Actions
June 1, 2016 Special Board Meeting
June 8, 2016 Regular Board Meeting
June 22, 2016 Regular Board Meeting

PALMDALE, CA, June 27, 2016 – The Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District, with five Directors present, considered the following matters at the <u>JUNE 1, 2016 SPECIAL BOARD MEETING:</u>

Consideration and possible action on Resolution No. 16-7 Adopting, Directing Filing of, and Implementing the Palmdale Water District 2015 Urban Water Management Plan and Incorporated Water Shortage Contingency Plan. (Deputy Water & Energy Resources Director Thompson II/Kennedy/Jenks Consultants): It was unanimously carried to adopt Resolution No. 16-7 adopting, directing file of, and implementing the Palmdale Water District 2015 Urban Water Management Plan and Incorporated Water Shortage Contingency Plan. The Urban Water Management Plan is a long-term water supply and planning document and must be approved every five years.

The Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District, with five Directors present, considered the following matters at the <u>JUNE 8, 2016 REGULAR BOARD MEETING:</u>

- ♦ Presentation: Overview of services provided to Palmdale Water District customers. (Director Dino/Customer Care Supervisor Peuse): An overview of the District's welcome packet, forms, applications, contact information, customer appreciation days, payment options, and community involvement was provided.
- Consent calendar items were unanimously approved as follows: minutes of regular meeting held May 25, 2016; payment of bills for June 8, 2016; and approval of absence of Director Estes from May 25, 2016 meeting due to illness.
- ♦ Consideration and possible action on AB1755, The Open and Transparent Water Data Act, and AB2304, An Act to Add Chapter 7.5 (Commencing With Section 485) to Division 1 of the Water Code Relating to Water. (Director Mac Laren): It was unanimously carried to authorize staff to prepare and submit a letter of support to the author of AB1755. The Open and Transparent Water Data Act will help water managers operate California's water system more effectively and help water users make informed decisions based on water availability and allocation.
- Consideration and possible action on solar lease of vacant District property. (Director Mac Laren): It was unanimously carried to issue a Request for Proposals to determine interest and availability of solar generation firms wanting to develop and build solar projects on property currently owned by the District as lessor of same. This form of lease would be a revenue source for the District.
- ♦ Consideration and possible action on clarification of compensable and non-compensable meetings under Appendix V of the District's Rules and Regulations and review of Director monthly compensation forms for period January, 2015 to present. (Director Henriquez/General Manager LaMoreaux): It was unanimously carried to revise Appendix V of the District's Rules and Regulations to include a clear 'yes' or 'no' as to compensable or non-compensable meetings for Directors.

• 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 2016 Budget: ESRI GIS User Conference to be held June 27 to July 1, 2016 in San Diego: It was unanimously carried to approve Board and staff attendance at this conference.

The Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District, with five Directors present, considered the following matters at the <u>JUNE 22, 2016 REGULAR BOARD MEETING:</u>

- Presentation: Drought Report-Review of "Water Conservation and Reduction in Water Demand Efforts Report as of May, 2016:" The Palmdale Water District ratepayers achieved a 26.6% reduction in water use compared to May, 2013, which is just short of the District's state-mandated water use reduction goal of 28%.
- ♦ Consent calendar items were unanimously approved as follows: minutes of special meeting held June 1, 2016; minutes of regular meeting held June 8, 2016; payment of bills for June 22, 2016; and approval of Statement of Work between the District and Ernst & Young for 2016-2017 State Water Project procedures to be performed in relation to the Department of Water Resources' Statement of Charges in the not-to-exceed amount of \$7,714.00.
- ♦ Consideration and possible action on adoption of 2016 Public Health Goal Report. (Water Quality/Regulatory Affairs Supervisor Thompson): It was unanimously carried to adopt the 2016 Public Health Goal Report. The Public Health Goal Report must be prepared and adopted every three years. This Report is in addition to the District's annual mandatory Consumer Confidence Report. Both Reports show that the District has maintained 100% compliance with all regulatory water quality data for the years 2013 through 2015 and maintains compliance through 2016.
- ♦ Consideration and possible action on California Special Districts Association 2016 Board elections. (General Manager LaMoreaux): It was unanimously carried that President Alvarado cast the District's ballot in the California Special Districts Association 2016 Board elections.
- ♦ Consideration and possible action on lease options for the District's lighter duty vehicles. (\$10,000.00 Non-budgeted Finance Manager Williams/Facilities Manager Moore/Facilities Committee): It was unanimously carried to authorize the District to enter into a Master Lease Agreement with Enterprise Fleet Management for leasing the District's lighter duty vehicles in the amount of \$11,000.00 for the remainder of 2016 and \$32,000.00 for 2017.
- Consideration and possible action on approval of organizational changes. (Assistant General Manager Knudson/Human Resources Director Emery/Personnel Committee): It was unanimously carried to approve organizational changes as presented. These changes will have no impact on the budget and will allow for a shift in staff resources based on the needs of the District.

The Palmdale Water District Board of Director meetings are held twice a month on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month at 7:00 p.m. The next regular Board meeting will be held July 13, 2016. Board meetings are held at the District's office at 2029 East Avenue Q, Palmdale, and the public is invited to attend.

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