Press Release

Palmdale Water District
Board Meeting Actions
January 8, 2014 Regular Board Meeting
January 22, 2014 Regular Board Meeting

PALMDALE, CA, January 31, 2014 – The Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District, with five Directors present, considered the following matters at the JANUARY 8, 2014 REGULAR BOARD MEETING:

- *Consent calendar items* were unanimously approved as follows: December 11, 2013 regular meeting minutes; ratification of payment of bills for December 25, 2013; payment of bills for January 8, 2014; approval of Pipeline Crossing Agreement with Union Pacific Railroad Company for the All Parts Auto Recycling Center railroad crossing; approval of Resolution No. 14-1 Authorizing Specified Individuals to Transact Business with UBS Financial Services, Inc.; and approval of Resolution No. 14-2 Authorizing Specified Individuals to Transact Business with Citizens Business Bank.

- *Consideration and possible action on Special District LAFCO Alternate Representative. (President Mac Laren):* It was unanimously approved to cast the District's ballot for B.J. Atkins as Special District LAFCO (Local Agency Formation Commission) Alternate Representative.

The Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District, with five Directors present, considered the following matters at the JANUARY 22, 2014 REGULAR BOARD MEETING:

- *Consent calendar items* were unanimously approved as follows: January 8, 2014 regular meeting minutes; payment of bills for January 22, 2014; approval of Resolution No. 14-3 Authorizing Specified Individuals to Transact Business with UBS Financial Services, Inc. Amending Resolution No. 14-1; and approval of Temporary Employment Agreement for Retired Annuitant Claudette Beck.

- *Presentation and possible action on 2014 budget which includes a 3% water rate increase (decreased from previously approved 8% increase) – staff presentation, public comment, Board discussion, and Board action. (General Manager LaMoreaux):* The Board of Directors conducted a thorough and detailed line-by-line review of the budget requesting reductions from each department. After consideration of the District's infrastructure, reserve policy, and debt coverage ratio, it was unanimously approved to adopt the 2014 Budget with a 2% water rate increase. A detailed analysis of the 2014 Budget is available on the District's web site at http://www.palmdalewater.org/PDF/Reports_Studies/Financial/Budgets/2014_BudgetPresentation.pdf.

- *Consideration and possible action on creating a Frank Collett Day. (Director Estes):* It was unanimously carried for staff to develop a plan, including costs, for hosting a barbecue to honor District employees, employees who have passed, and retirees and present this plan to the Board for future consideration.

- *Consideration and possible action on Board and staff attendance at conferences, seminars, and training sessions as follows: California Utility Executive Management Association (CUEMA) 2014 Elected Officials Summit to be held March 4 – 5, 2014 in Indian Wells:* It was unanimously carried to approve Board and staff attendance at this conference.

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 February 12, 2014. 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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About Palmdale Water District:

The Palmdale Water District has grown from an agency providing irrigation water for 60 customers to an agency providing domestic water to the thriving community we know today. Founded as an irrigation district supplying water mainly to farms for agricultural use, the District's boundaries expanded with Palmdale's rapid population growth, and the District has shifted to providing predominantly municipal and industrial water. The Palmdale Water District is currently divided into five divisions covering areas in East and South Palmdale. The Palmdale Water District remains dedicated to providing clean, pure water; state of the art facilities to meet current and future needs; attentive staff committed to customer satisfaction; treatment and testing to ensure high quality water; education on water conservation and safety; and reliable supply and resourceful planning insuring customer satisfaction and continued reasonable rates. The Palmdale Water District can be reached by calling (661) 947-4111. The Palmdale Water District is located at 2029 East Avenue Qin Palmdale, California.

Palmdale Water District Board Members

Division 1 Robert E. Alvarado
Division 2 Joe Estes
Division 3 Gloria Dizmang
Division 4 Kathy Mac Laren
Division 5 Vincent Dino

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