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May 7, 2015

Agenda for Regular Meeting
of the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District
to be held at the District's office at 2029 East Avenue Q, Palmdale

Wednesday, May 13, 2015

7:00 p.m.

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PUBLIC COMMENT GUIDELINES: **The prescribed time limit per speaker is three-minutes. Please refrain from public displays or outbursts such as unsolicited applause, comments, or cheering. Any disruptive activities that substantially interfere with the ability of the District to carry out its meeting will not be permitted and offenders will be requested to leave the meeting.**

Each item on the agenda shall be deemed to include any appropriate motion, resolution, or ordinance to take action on any item.

1) Pledge of Allegiance.

2) Roll Call.

3) Adoption of Agenda.

4) Public comments for non-agenda items.

5) Presentations:

5.1) None at this time.

6) Public comments on closed session agenda matters.

7) Closed session under:

7.1) Conference with Legal Counsel – Public Employee Appointment: A closed session will be held, pursuant to Government Code §54957, with District General Counsel to discuss the appointment of an employee to the position of General Manager.

7.2) Conference with Labor Negotiators and Legal Counsel – Employment Contract Negotiations: A closed session will be held, pursuant to Government Code §54957.6, with the District's labor negotiators (Directors Alvarado and Dizmang) and District General Counsel to discuss the filling of the unrepresented position of General Manager.

8) Public report of any action taken in closed session.

9) 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.)

9.1) Approval of minutes of regular meeting held April 22, 2015.

9.2) Payment of bills for May 13, 2015.

9.3) Approval of District 2015 membership in the Water Research Foundation. ($14,047.20 – Budgeted – Operations Manager Masaya)

10) 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.)

10.1) Consideration and possible action on request received from the Antelope Valley Resource Conservation District for $5,000.00 in funding for water conservation garden. ($5,000.00 – Non-budgeted – Richard Campbell, Program Coordinator for Antelope Valley Resource Conservation District)

10.2) Status report on Cash Flow Statement and Current Cash Balances as of April, 2015. (Financial Advisor Egan/Finance Committee)

10.3) Status report on Financial Statements, Revenue, and Expense and Departmental Budget Reports for April 30, 2015. (Finance Manager Williams/Finance Committee)

10.4) Status report on committed contracts issued and water revenue bond projects. (Assistant General Manager Knudson/Finance Committee)

10.5) Consideration and possible action on Employment Agreement for General Manager pursuant to Government Code §53262 and §54956. (Directors Dizmang and Alvarado and General Counsel Quilizapa)

10.6) Consideration and possible action on Employee Handbook updates. (Human Resources Director Emery/Personnel Committee)

10.7) Discussion on direction to Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association Commissioners regarding a coalition to present a united front on drought issues. (Director Dizmang/Assistant General Manager Knudson)

10.8) 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 2015 Budget:

a) California HR Conference to be held August 31 – September 2, 2015 in Anaheim.

11) Information Items:

11.1) Reports of Directors:

a) Meetings/General Report.

b) Standing Committee/Assignment Reports (Chair):
1) Facilities Committee
2) Personnel Committee
3) Finance Committee

11.2) Report of General Manager.

a) Presentation on District water quality monitoring activities. (Water Quality Supervisor Williams)

11.3) Report of General Counsel.

12) Public comments on closed session agenda matters.

13) Closed session under:

13.1) Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation: A closed session will be held, pursuant to Government Code §54956.9 (d)(1), to confer with Special Litigation Counsel regarding pending litigation to which the District is a party. The title of such litigation is as follows: *Antelope Valley Ground Water Cases.*

13.2) Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation: A closed session will be held, pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(2) & (e)(2) because there is a significant exposure to litigation in one case.

14) Public report of any action taken in closed session.

15) Board members' requests for future agenda items.

16) Adjournment.

MATTHEW R. KNUDSON,
Assistant General Manager

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