PALMDALE RECYCLED WATER AUTHORITY (PRWA)

MINUTES OF AUGUST 19, 2015
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA NO. 19 OF THE
PALMDALE RECYCLED WATER AUTHORITY (PRWA)
HELD AT PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT
2029 E. AVENUE Q
PALMDALE, CALIFORNIA

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1. CALL TO ORDER.

Chair Ledford called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

3. ROLL CALL: DIRECTORS JAMES C. LEDFORD, JR., KATHY MAC LAREN, ROBERT ALVARADO, FRED THOMPSON, AND HELEN VELADOR

PRESENT: Chair Ledford, Directors Mac Laren, Alvarado, Thompson, and Velador

4. WAIVER OF FULL READING OF RESOLUTION(S).

Motion: Move to waive full reading of the Resolution(s) to be considered and voted on at this meeting.
Moved by Director Alvarado, seconded by Director Mac Laren

Vote: Motion Carried (5-0)
Yes: Chair Ledford, Directors Mac Laren, Alvarado, Thompson, and Velador

5. CONSENT CALENDAR – PUBLIC COMMENTS ONLY:

There were no public comments.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR:

6.1 Approve the Minutes from the previous meeting held on June 17, 2015 (7pm). (Staff Reference: Authority Secretary Smith)

6.2 Approve Receipt and Filing of the Treasurer's Report for the seven months ending July 31, 2015. (Staff Reference: Treasurer/Auditor Johnston).

6.3 Adopt Resolution No. PRWA 2015-008, A Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Recycled Water Authority appointing officers, and repealing PRWA Resolution No. 2013-018. (Staff Reference: Treasurer/Auditor Johnston)

6.4 Adopt Resolution No. PRWA 2015-009, a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Recycled Water Authority designating those officials who are authorized to sign checks and warrants, effective August 19, 2015. (Staff Reference: Treasurer/Auditor Johnston)

Director Thompson stated he was absent from the last meeting and would abstain from approval of the minutes (Item No. 6.1.).

Motion: Move to approve the recommendations and findings on all items listed under this Consent Calendar, with the exception of Item No. 6.1, for which Director Thompson abstained.
Moved by Director Velador, seconded by Director Alvarado

Vote: Motion Carried (5-0)
Yes: Chair Ledford, Directors Mac Laren, Alvarado, and Velador
Abstain: Director Thompson abstained from Item No. 6.1 only.

7. ACTION CALENDAR:

7.1 Consideration and possible action on the Adoption of Resolution No. PRWA 2015-007, authorizing a contract with ESA Water, Agreement No. PRWA-005, to prepare the environmental package to support the water recycling construction grant application to State Water Resources Control Board for the Palmdale Recycled Water Authority recycled water line phase 2 project including approval of the following items (Staff Reference: Executive Director LaMoreaux):

7.1a Approve a contract with ESA Water, Agreement No. PRWA-005, to prepare the environmental package to support the water recycling construction grant application for the Recycled Water Line Phase 2 project in amount not to exceed $9,975.

7.1b Adopt Resolution No. PRWA 2015-007, a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Recycled Water Authority authorizing a contract with ESA Water to prepare the environmental package component of a water recycling construction grant application to State Water Resources Control Board for the Palmdale Recycled Water Authority Recycled Water Line Phase 2 Project.

7.1c Authorize the Chair to execute the contractual agreement with ESA Water.

Executive Director LaMoreaux presented the staff report.

Chair Ledford asked if this was bond money and where is the money coming from at the state level. Executive Director LaMoreaux stated this is Proposition 1 monies from last year's water bond. Chair Ledford asked how much is grant monies? Executive Director LaMoreaux stated that $75,000 is for planning studies, up to 35% of construction costs, and grant or loans through state involvement funds.

There were no public comments.

Motion: Move to approve Item No. 7.1.
Moved by Director Velador, seconded by Director Mac Laren

Authority Counsel Ditzhazy stated all items 7.1a through 7.1c could be approved together as one.

Motion: Move to approve amended motion to approve all items under Item No. 7.1.
Moved by Director Velador, seconded by Director Mac Laren

Vote: Motion Carried (5-0)
Yes: Chair Ledford, Directors Mac Laren, Alvarado, Thompson, and Velador

7.2 Consideration and Possible Action Regarding adoption of Resolution No. PRWA 2015-006 regarding the sale of recycled water. (Staff Reference: Assistant Executive Director Mischel)

7.2a Adopt Resolution No. PRWA 2015-006, A Resolution Of The Board of Directors of The Palmdale Recycled Water Authority Authorizing The Sale Of Recycled Water To Any Person Or Entity Other Than The Authority Members And To Set The Price Of The Recycled Water.

Assistant Executive Director Mischel presented the staff report.

Director Mac Laren asked if we are doing about 75% of the potable water only until we officially set the rate? Executive Director LaMoreaux responded last year we had Carrollo give us a presentation on the different options and at that time we chose 75% of potable for the whole program as we move forward and this is tailored to construction water at this point in time. Chair Ledford asked what about prior to this, what would a developer pay for potable water -- full price or 75%? Director LaMoreaux stated the full price and that they consider the use of construction water a waste of water so we charge the highest tier. So this

is 75% of the highest. Director Alvarado stated that this was Tier 5 and is now Tier 6.

Executive Director LaMoreaux stated we are moving forward with this. We have four construction meters out and already sold 1,700 units with Mr. Havilland being the control on that.

Authority Counsel Ditzhazy stated we are still waiting to hear from the County for the transfer. Assistant Executive Director Mischel stated there was an all hands conference called a couple of weeks ago, and the County is still working on taking this back to the board and two weeks ago they committed to a 45 day time frame and they are still working on it.

There were no public comments.

The Board concurred that they are glad we are moving forward on this.

Motion: Move to approve Item No. 7.2.
Moved by Director Alvarado, seconded by Director Velador

Vote: Motion Carried (5-0)
Yes: Chair Ledford, Directors Mac Laren, Alvarado, Thompson, and Velador

8. NON-AGENDA ITEMS - PUBLIC COMMENTS:

There were no public comments.

9. INFORMATIONAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, AND ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.

Director Thompson stated he did not have anything to report.

Director Alvarado invited members and the public to attend the 21st A.V. International Festival on September 12th at Poncitlan Square at 9:00 a.m. He stated this festival is the oldest multi-cultural event in the Antelope Valley. He stated there would be free food, admission and entertainment and a free 10x10 space.

Director Velador stated that right before school shopping started she noticed there were signs at the A.V. Mall regarding water conservation and recycled water being used. Board Directors discussed where the use of recycled water was coming from.

Director Thompson asked if the AV. Mall is referring to pond out front of the entrance that is re-circulated.

Director Mac Laren hopes that everyone plans to come out and enjoy the Water Summit on August 26th from 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at the Chimbole Center.

Executive Director LaMoreaux stated that some of them attended a Water Use California gathering a couple of months ago. The National Water Conference in Seattle the second week in September that is on the Water District's agenda for approval.

Chair Ledford invited everyone out for this Friday night's showing of the Guardians of the Galaxy, which will be playing at the Amphitheatre and Blvd Knights will play before the movie.

Executive Director LaMoreaux stated with the financial changes that were approved on the consent calendar, the Water District will create a separate area in our customer billing and accounting software to handle the Palmdale Recycled Water Authority business.

Assistant Executive Director Mischel did not have anything to add.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

Executive Director LaMoreaux suggested to the Board of Directors to adjourn this meeting to the October regular meeting to give the County more time. The Board concurred.

Chair Ledford adjourned the meeting at 7:23 p.m. to October 21, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at the City of Palmdale Council Chambers located at 38300 Sierra Highway, Suite B, Palmdale, California

PASSED, APPROVED, and **ADOPTED** this 21st day of October 2015.

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James C. Ledford, Jr.
Chair

ATTEST:

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Rebecca J. Smith
Secretary