Press Release

Palmdale Water District
Board Meeting Actions
August 10, 2016 Regular Board Meeting
August 23, 2016 Financial Workshop Special Board Meeting (no action at this meeting)
August 24, 2016 Regular Board Meeting

PALMDALE, CA, August 30, 2016 – The Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District, with five Directors present, considered the following matters at the AUGUST 10, 2016 REGULAR BOARD MEETING:

- *Consent calendar items* were unanimously approved as follows: minutes of special meeting held July 21, 2016; minutes of regular meeting held July 27, 2016; payment of bills for August 10, 2016; approve absence of Director Estes from July 21, 2016 meeting due to illness; and receive and file semi-annual employee reimbursement report for the period covering January 1, 2016 through June 30, 2016.

- *Discussion and possible action on the development of a Citizen's Advisory Committee. (Ad Hoc Spanish Interpreter Committee-Director Mac Laren/Director Dino):* Staff was give direction to refine ideas and develop more details on the formation of a Citizen's Liaison Committee.

- *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: 32nd Annual Tri-State Seminar to be held September 20 – 22, 2016 in Las Vegas, Nevada and Gas Chromatography Mass Spectrometry (GCMS) Training to be held October 25 – 28, 2016 in Columbia, Maryland:* It was unanimously carried to approve Board and staff attendance at these conferences.

The Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District, with five Directors present, considered the following matters at the AUGUST 24, 2016 REGULAR BOARD MEETING:

- *Consent calendar items* were unanimously approved as follows: minutes of regular meeting held August 10, 2016 and payment of bills for August 24, 2016.

- *Approval of revisions to District Rules and Regulations Section 8.03(B)(1), Variances. (Finance Manager Williams):* It was unanimously carried to approve revisions to the District's Rules and Regulations regarding the variance for the number of residents in a household applying the number in household variance to the current and previous month billing to first time applicants only.

- *Consideration and possible action regarding contract amendment with Aspen Environmental for completion of Final Environmental Impact Report and support for permitting activities for the Littlerock Sediment Removal Project. ($223,580.00 - $135,000.00 in 2016/$88,580.00 in 2017 – Budgeted – Engineering/Grant Manager Riley):* It was unanimously carried to approve and authorize the General Manager to sign this contract amendment to enable the District to move forward with finalizing the environmental work and obtaining the necessary permits to begin removing sediment from Littlerock Dam.

- *Consideration and possible action on setting Palmdale Water District's assessment rates for fiscal year 2016-2017 and adoption of Resolution No. 16-14 regarding said rates. (Financial Advisor Egan/Finance Manager Williams):* It was unanimously carried to approve Resolution No. 16-14 establishing secured tax rates for the District for fiscal year 2016-2017 at a rate of 0.277262.

- *Consideration and possible action on confirming credit rating from Standard & Poor's at a cost not-to-exceed $20,000.00. ($20,000.00 – Budgeted – Finance Manager Williams):* It was unanimously carried to confirm the District's credit rating from Standard & Poor's at a cost not-to-exceed $20,000.00 in preparation of refinancing the District's 2012 debt and 2013A water revenue bonds.

- *Consideration and possible action on proposal to perform Concentration-Time (CT) Study for each of the District's 22 active groundwater wells. ($9,700.00 – Non-budgeted – Assistant General Manager Knudson):* It was unanimously carried to accept the proposal from Carollo Engineers in the not-to-exceed amount of $9,700.00 to perform a CT Study to calculate the disinfection credit for each of the District's 22 active groundwater wells and authorize the General Manager to execute an agreement using the District's standard Professional Services Agreement.

- *Consideration and possible action on sponsorship of Water: Take 1 Short Film Contest. ($5,000.00 – Budgeted – Public Affairs & Sustainability Director McNutt):* It was unanimously carried to sponsor the Water: Take 1 Short Film Contest, which presents the best water-themed short films, in the amount of $5,000.00.

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 September 14, 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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Division 5	Vincent Dino

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