MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT, OCTOBER 4, 2016:

A special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District was held Tuesday, October 4, 2016, at 2029 East Avenue Q, Palmdale, California, in the Board Room of the District office. President, Robert Alvarado, called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

1) Pledge of Allegiance.

At the request of President Alvarado, Mr. Ralph Velador led the pledge of allegiance followed by a moment of silence in memory and in honor of our troops.

2) Roll Call.

Attendance:	**Others Present:**
Robert Alvarado, President	Dennis LaMoreaux, General Manager
Vincent Dino, Vice President	Matt Knudson, Assistant General Manager
Marco Henriquez, Treasurer	Mike Williams, Finance Manager
Joe Estes, Secretary	Jennifer Emery, Human Resources Director
Kathy Mac Laren, Director	Tim Moore, Facilities Manager
	Jon Pernula, Water & Energy Resources Director
	Mike McNutt, Public Affairs & Sustainability Director
	Tara Peuse, Customer Care Supervisor
	Maria Avelar, Customer Care Rep. II
	Laura Gallegos, Public Affairs Specialist
	Dawn Deans, Executive Assistant
	19 members of the public

3) Adoption of Agenda.

It was moved by Director Henriquez, seconded by Director Mac Laren, and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Directors present at the meeting to adopt the agenda, as written.

4) Staff Presentation on District Activities.

Public Affairs & Sustainability Director McNutt provided a detailed overview of water, water availability, the District's water sources, drought, the District's mission, past visionary successes and current visionary goals, projects needed for future growth in Palmdale including the Littlerock Dam Sediment Removal Project and Palmdale Regional Groundwater Recharge and Recovery Project, investment in infrastructure to reduce

mainline leaks, conservation efforts of the District's customers, and low water rates even with a proposed water rate adjustment.

5) Town Hall Forum.

Questions were addressed regarding the impact and cost of the Delta tunnels, progress on removing sediment from Littlerock Reservoir and increased Reservoir capacity, reopening Littlerock Dam for recreational use, landlord/tenant responsibilities for water service, misconceptions of some elected officials regarding the District's low water rates, bottling District water, electricity costs for the District and efforts to reduce these costs, solar arrays, recharging local groundwater with a combination of imported water and tertiary treated recycled water, the reasonable proposed rate increase for each of the next three years, water conservation and water use restrictions, the District's variances and programs, water treatment savings, customer care on hold time, payment options, and the District's efforts to reach out and welcome the community.

Mr. Ralph Velador then recommended the District develop a commercial to share this great information and change the public's perception of the District including where the District started, where it is now, why the District's rates are low, energy savings, and why the District has superior water.

The Board then thanked the public for attending and for their questions and input and stated that the openness with the community is appreciated; that the District is here to serve the public; that the public is encouraged to contact the District with any additional questions or concerns; and then reviewed the District's services and programs.

6) Board members' requests for future agenda items.

Director Estes requested a future agenda item for "Presentation on Littlerock Sediment Removal Project Final EIR/EIS and status of recreational facility use."

There were no additional requests for future agenda items.

7) Adjournment.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

Secretary