Press Release

Palmdale Water District

Board Meeting Actions
March 8, 2017 Regular Board Meeting
March 22, 2017 Regular Board Meeting

PALMDALE, CA, April 11, 2017 – The Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District, with four Directors present, considered the following matters at the MARCH 8, 2017 REGULAR BOARD MEETING:

- *Consent calendar items* were unanimously approved as follows: minutes of regular meeting held February 22, 2017; payment of bills for March 8, 2017; and approval of contribution to City of Ventura Water Take: 1 Event ($5,000.00 – Budgeted – General Manager LaMoreaux).

- *Consideration and possible action on Resolution No.'s 17-8, 17-9, and 17-10 Concurring in the Nominations of Paul Dorey, Kathleen Tiegs, and Melody McDonald to the Executive Committee of the Association of California Water Agencies/Joint Powers Insurance Authority (ACWA/JPIA). (No Budget Impact – General Manager LaMoreaux):* It was unanimously carried to approve Resolution No.'s 17-8, 17-9, and 17-10. Executive Committee candidates must receive three concurring resolutions for their nomination. Once received, their name is placed on the ballot for voting.

- *Consideration and possible action on revision to Section 4.03.1 of the District's Rules and Regulations to Offer Spanish Interpreting Services at Regular Board Meetings for Comments. (No Budget Impact – General Manager LaMoreaux):* It was unanimously carried to approve this revision to the District' Rules and Regulations and offer Spanish interpreting services at Regular Board Meetings for comments.

- *Consideration and possible action on Resolution No. 17-11 being a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District Establishing Guidelines for the Preparation of Meeting Minutes and Adding Resolution No. 17-11 as Section 4.03.1(b)(v) of the District's Rules and Regulations. (No Budget Impact – General Manager LaMoreaux):* It was carried to approve Resolution No. 17-11 establishing guidelines for preparing meeting minutes and adding this Resolution to the District's Rules and Regulations.

- *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 2017 Budget:* It was unanimously carried to approve Board and staff attendance at the following conferences, seminars, and training sessions: Professionals in Human Resources Association (PIHRA) California HR Conference to be held August 28 – 20, 2017 in Long Beach.

The Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District, with four Directors present, considered the following matters at the MARCH 22, 2017 REGULAR BOARD MEETING:

- *Consent calendar items* were approved as follows: minutes of regular meeting held March 8, 2017; payment of bills for March 22, 2017; and approve absence of Director Henriquez from March 8, 2017 Regular Board Meeting due to work commitment.

- *Consideration and possible action on Resolution No. 17-12 being a Resolution (Certification) of the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District Certifying the Final Environmental Impact Report (State Clearinghouse # 2005061171), Adopting Findings of Fact as Required by Public Resources Code Section 21081(A) and CEQA Guidelines Section 15091, and Adopting a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program as Required by Public Resources Code Section 21081.6, and CEQA Guidelines Section 15097, as Related to the Littlerock Reservoir Sediment Removal Project; b) approving the Littlerock Reservoir Sediment Removal Project; and c) authorizing staff to file a Notice of Determination. (No budget impact – Assistant General Manager Knudson):* It was unanimously carried to approve Resolution No. 17-12. Approval of this Resolution is the next step in the Littlerock Reservoir Sediment Removal Project. This Project will restore the capacity of Littlerock Reservoir to 1992 water storage and flood control capacity by removing just over one million cubic yards of sediment, will preserve the habitat of the arroyo toad with the construction of a grade control structure, and will establish an annual maintenance program to maintain storage capacity.

- *Consideration and possible action on 2017 Goals for the Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association. (President Alvarado/Assistant General Manager Knudson):* It was unanimously carried to approve the 2017 goals of the Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association, which are the development of an agreement for inter-agency State Water Project exchanges, the SMART Landscaping Expo, development of regional groundwater storage and water supply projects, the United States Geological Survey groundwater level/quality monitoring program, monitoring and reporting for the California Statewide Groundwater Elevation Monitoring Program, accounting for the Regional Water Management Group, acting as the lead contracting agency for the Antelope Valley Integrated Regional Water Management Plan and encouraging stakeholder input, and increasing public outreach and education of water supply issues facing the Antelope Valley.

- *Consideration and possible action on amendment to Section 4.03.1 of the District's Rules and Regulations to offer interpreting services in any language at Regular Board Meetings for comments.. (No budget impact – General Manager LaMoreaux):* It was unanimously carried to revise this policy and offer interpreting services in any language at Regular Board Meetings for comments.

- *Consideration and possible action on Palmdale Water District Helpful Principles for Board Meetings. (President Alvarado/General Manager LaMoreaux):* It was unanimously carried to approve ten Helpful Principles for Board Meetings, which are a) Focus on what's best for the District and its mission; b) Allow the President to conduct an orderly meeting; c) Be respectful of fellow Board members and the public at all times; d) Be professional and courteous in allowing others to complete their thoughts and sentences; e) Put aside all distractions to focus on conducting the customers' business in a courteous manner; f) Be aware that behavior on the dais affects the perception and respect for the District and its customers; g) Each Director is individually responsible and accountable for their conduct and representation of the customers; h) Refrain from interpreting others thinking and spoken thoughts; i) Stick to the topics on the agenda and don't insert unrelated topics, thoughts or accusations; and j) Schedule occasional workshops devoted to discussions related to planning, teamwork, and outreach.

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. 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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