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Palmdale Water District
Board Meeting Actions
May 13, 2015 Regular Board Meeting
May 27, 2015 Regular Board Meeting

PALMDALE, CA, June 2, 2015 – The Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District, with five Directors present, considered the following matters at the MAY 13, 2015 REGULAR BOARD MEETING:

- *Closed session action:* The Board took unanimous action in closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6 to approve a contract with General Manager LaMoreaux with the exception of compensation.

- *Consent calendar items* were unanimously approved as follows: minutes of regular meeting held April 22, 2015; payment of bills for May 13, 2015; and approval of District 2015 membership in the Water Research Foundation.

- *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):* It was unanimously carried to table this item.

- *Consideration and possible action on Employment Agreement for General Manager pursuant to Government Code Sections 53262 and 54956. (Directors Dizmang and Alvarado and General Counsel Quilizapa):* It was unanimously carried to approve an annual salary of $200,000.00 for General Manager LaMoreaux under Item 4.1 of the Employment Agreement and in a separate action, unanimously carried to approve all terms of the Employment Agreement with General Manager LaMoreaux and authorize signature of the Agreement.

- *Consideration and possible action on Employee Handbook Updates. (Human Resources Director Emery/Personnel Committee):* It was unanimously carried to update the Employee Handbook regarding part time employee sick leave and retiree health insurance coverage.

- *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: California HR Conference to be held August 31 – September 2, 2015 in Anaheim:* It was unanimously carried to approve Board and staff attendance at this conference.

The Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District, with five Directors present, considered the following matters at the MAY 27, 2015 REGULAR BOARD MEETING:

- *Water Awareness School Education Program contest winners:* The winners of this year's coloring and plant essay contests are: *2nd Grade* – 1st, Nataly Rojas; 2nd, Hailey Garcia; 3rd, Brandon Palonco; *3rd Grade* – 1st, Laura Torres and Liana Papikyan; 2nd, Andy Orellana and Jacquelline Guevara; 3rd, Roselyn Valdez; *4th Grade* – 1st, Brigitte Pineda and Lesly Townsend; 2nd, Danielle Benavidez; 3rd, Krystal Trinidad and Ashley Lopez. Photos of the winning entries are available by calling 661-456-1001.

- *Consent calendar items* were unanimously approved as follows: minutes of regular meeting held May 13, 2015, payment of bills for May 27, 2015, adoption of a Y-Rating Policy as Article 16, Section 16.01, of the Rules and Regulations, Resolution No. 15-11 Approving Job Descriptions for Operations Technicians I/II and Salary Ranges, and amendment to Aleshire & Wynder, LLP General Counsel Contract to extend term of discounted rates and appoint Eric Dunn as General Counsel and Adrian Guerra as Assistant General Counsel.

- *Consideration and possible action on Resolution No. 15.9 Declaring Continued Emergency Water Conservation Restrictions and Reaffirming State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) Regulations on the Delivery and Consumption of Water for the Purpose of Achieving the Mandated 32% Reduction in Potable Water Use and Declaring an Elevated Water Shortage Emergency and Adopting Stage 3 of Palmdale Water District's Urban Water Management Plan Calling for Mandatory Conservation in Compliance With the State Water Resources Control Board's Emergency Regulation as Amended on May 5, 2015 Through Resolution No. 2015-0032. (Water & Energy Resources Director Pernula/Water Supply & Reliability Committee):* It was unanimously carried to approve Resolution No. 15-9 effective June 1, 2015. The District has been mandated by the State Water Resources Control Board to reduce water consumption by 32% by February 28, 2016. If this reduction is not met, the District will face a penalty of $10,000 per day. Resolution No. 15-9 sets mandatory conservation regulations to help meet the mandated reduction. Please visit http://www.palmdalewater.org/wp-content/uploads/2015/05/ResolutionNo.15-9WaterReduceMandatory32Percent.pdf to view Resolution No. 15-9 and all mandatory watering restrictions.

- *Consideration and possible action on Resolution No. 15-10 Amending the Rules and Regulations as They Relate to Notice Given to Delinquent Consumers and Actual Users, Including Amendment of Article 8, Section 8.04 (G) Titled "Delinquent Bills" and Amendment of Article 10, Section 10.02 Titled "Application for Service." (Finance Manager Williams):* It was unanimously carried to approve Resolution No. 15-10 amending the District's Rules and Regulations to ensure compliance with new laws regarding timing and language requirements for delinquent bills and disconnection notices.

- *Consideration and possible action on rescheduling second Regular Board Meeting in June. (General Manager LaMoreaux):* It was unanimously carried to reschedule the second Regular Board Meeting in June from June 24 to June 22 at 7:00 p.m. due to lack of a quorum.

- *Closed session action:* The Board took unanimous action in closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(3) and 4) directing General Counsel to pursue a Tolling Agreement.

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 June 10, 2015. 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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