PALMDALE RECYCLED WATER AUTHORITY (PRWA)

MINUTES OF JANUARY 21, 2015
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA NO. 15 OF THE
PALMDALE RECYCLED WATER AUTHORITY (PRWA)
HELD AT PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT, 2029 EAST AVENUE Q
PALMDALE, CALIFORNIA

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1. CALL TO ORDER.

Call to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

3. ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE TO APPOINTED DIRECTORS. DIRECTORS JAMES C. LEDFORD, JR., KATHY MAC LAREN, ROBERT ALVARADO, FRED THOMPSON, HELEN VELADOR, AND ALTERNATE DIRECTOR VINCENT DINO. (Staff Reference: Authority Secretary Smith)

Secretary Smith administered the oath to all except Director Alvarado who was not present at the meeting.

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

PRESENT: Chair Ledford, Directors Mac Laren, Thompson, Velador and Alternate Director Vincent Dino.

Motion: Excuse the absence of Director Alvarado.
Moved by Director Thompson, seconded by Director Mac Laren.
Yes: Chair Ledford, Directors Mac Laren, Thompson, Dino and Velador
Absent: Director Alvarado

5. 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 Velador, seconded by Director Mac Laren.

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

6. CONSENT CALENDAR – PUBLIC COMMENTS ONLY:

There were no public comments.

Director Velador pulled Item 7.2.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR:

7.1 Approve the Minutes from the previous meeting held December 17, 2014 (7pm). (Staff Reference: Authority Secretary Smith)

7.2 Approve Receipt and Filing of the Treasurer's Report through the month ended December 31, 2014. (Staff Reference: Treasurer/Auditor Johnston)

Motion: Move to approve the recommendations and findings on all items listed under this Consent Calendar, with the exception of Item 7.2.
Moved by Director Velador, seconded by Director Dino

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

In regards to Item No. 7.2, Director Velador asked staff if the Treasurer's Report is an annual report and staff responded that it is a monthly report through the month of December.

Motion: Approve Item 7.2.
Moved by Director Velador, seconded by Director Dino

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

8. ACTION CALENDAR

8.1 Adopt Resolution No. PRWA 2015-001, a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Recycled Water Authority authorizing the

adoption of the Palmdale Recycled Water Authority 2015 Budget. (Staff Reference: Assistant Executive Director Mischel)

Executive Director LaMoreaux spoke. Director Velador asked if there were any grants in 2014 and Executive Director LaMoreaux responded that there were none.

Director Velador asked if the website expenses and consultant services were part of the proposed $400,000.00. Director LaMoreaux stated that the $400,000.00 is for the design contract for design of Phase 2 and they have an estimate of $4.5 million for construction. Director LaMoreaux stated that any new contracts will be presented to Board prior to approval.

Public Comments: None.

Motion: Move to adopt Resolution No. PRWA 2015-001.
Moved by Director Velador, seconded by Director Dino.

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

8.2 Adopt Resolution No. PRWA 2015-002, a Resolution of the Board of Directors Of the Palmdale Recycled Water Authority authorizing the Adoption of the Mitigated Negative Declaration for Recycled Water Facilities Master Plan Initial Study. (Staff Reference: Executive Director LaMoreaux)

Director LaMoreaux presented the staff report.

Public Comments: Lowell Havilland spoke.

Director LaMoreaux stated that Master Plan Phase 5 will be removed from the Recycled Water Facilities Master Plan and stated that Phase 5 will go from R-8 North to R for recharge use and asked the Board to approve removal. He presented the Board with the revised Resolution with the correction for the record.

Public Comments: Lowell Havilland asked a question regarding the Phase 5 removal and would this be considered at future date jointly with Palmdale Water District and City of Palmdale or Palmdale Water District only. Director LaMoreaux stated that this will be decided at a later date and explained there is more decision making that has to be done regarding this process.

Motion: Move to adopt Resolution No. PRWA 2015-002 as amended. Moved by Director Mac Laren, seconded by Director Velador.

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

9. NON-AGENDA ITEMS - PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Gordon Phair stated the WateReuse LA 3-day conference is coming up at the end of March and he will provide literature to the board members. He stated that any board member who wishes to attend should contact him as he is planning to attend and can make the travel arrangements for everyone to travel together. He stated that the Palmdale Water District is a member of this organization.

10. CLOSED SESSION – PUBLIC COMMENTS ONLY:

Not needed.

11. CLOSED SESSION – CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION:

Not needed.

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

Director Mac Laren stated that there is an opening for Region 8 Water District Director and that she will run for this appointment.

Director Thompson spoke about Region 8 Metropolitan Water District in Los Angeles.

Executive Director LaMoreaux spoke about the process of reallocating recycled water. Palmdale Water District staff will check with the Sanitation Districts and they are waiting for the attorneys to review the paperwork and they may provide a decision possibly by the end of the month.

Executive Director LaMoreaux asked the Board if they approve skipping the February meeting and adjourn to March 18th meeting. The Board concurred.

Chair Ledford spoke about the ground water adjudication we receive from Sanitation Districts. Assistant Executive Director Mischel and Executive Director LaMoreaux spoke regarding our full rights on recharge water. Director Velador

asked if we would receive a time extension on papers and Executive Director LaMoreaux stated we should get then back by the end of the month.

13. ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Ledford adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m. to March 18, 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 18th day of March 2015.

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James C. Ledford, Jr.
Chair

ATTEST:

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Rebecca J. Smith
Secretary