MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT, JUNE 8, 2020:

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District was held Monday, June 8, 2020, at 2029 East Avenue Q, Palmdale, California, in the Board Room of the District office. President, Vincent Dino, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

1) Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence.

At the request of President Dino, Director Wilson led the pledge of allegiance followed by a moment of silence.

2) Roll Call.

Attendance:
Vincent Dino, President (via teleconference)
Kathy Mac Laren, Vice Pres. (via teleconference)
Gloria Dizmang, Treasurer (via teleconference)
Don Wilson, Secretary (via teleconference)
Robert Alvarado, Assistant Secretary (via teleconference)

Others Present:
Dennis LaMoreaux, General Manager (via teleconf.)
Eric Dunn, General Counsel (via teleconference)
Adam Ly, Assistant General Manager (via teleconf.)
Mike Williams, Finance Manager (via teleconf.)
Judy Shay, Public Affairs Director (via teleconf.)
Scott Rogers, Engring/Grant Mngr. (via teleconf.)
Peter Thompson II, Res. & Analy. Dir. (via teleconf.)
Dawn Deans, Executive Assistant (via teleconf.)
0 members of the public

3) Adoption of Agenda.

It was moved by Director Dizmang, seconded by Director Mac Laren, and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Directors present at the meeting on the following roll call vote to adopt the agenda, as written:

President Dino – aye
Director Mac Laren – aye
Director Dizmang – aye
Director Wilson – aye
Director Alvarado - aye

4) Public Comments for Non-Agenda Items.

There were no public comments for non-agenda items.

5) Presentations:

5.1) None at This Time.

There were no presentations.

6) Action Items – Consent Calendar: (The Public Shall Have an Opportunity to Comment on Any Action Item on the Consent Calendar as the Consent Calendar is Considered Collectively by the Board of Directors Prior to Action Being Taken.)

6.1) Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting Held May 26, 2020.

6.2) Payment of Bills for June 8, 2020.

President Dino announced the items included in the Consent Calendar after which it was moved by Director Alvarado, seconded by Director Dizmang, and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Directors present at the meeting on the following roll call vote to approve those items included in the Consent Calendar:

President Dino – aye
Director Mac Laren – aye
Director Dizmang – aye
Director Wilson – aye
Director Alvarado - aye

7) Action Items - Action Calendar (The Public Shall Have an Opportunity to Comment on Any Action Item as Each Item is Considered by the Board of Directors Prior to Action Being Taken.)

7.1) Consideration and Possible Action on California Special Districts Association Board of Directors Seat C Southern Network Election for the 2021-2023 Term. (No Budget Impact – General Manager LaMoreaux)

After a brief discussion, Director Dizmang recommended President Dino cast the District's vote in this election.

It was then moved by President Dino, seconded by Director Alvarado, and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Directors present at the meeting on the following roll call vote to cast the District's vote in the California Special Districts

Association Board of Directors Seat C Southern Network election for the 2021-2023 term for the incumbent, Arlene Schafer:

President Dino – aye
Director Mac Laren – aye
Director Dizmang – aye
Director Wilson – aye
Director Alvarado – aye

7.2) Consideration and Possible Action on Authorization for Staff to Enter Into a Contract for Arc Flash Assessment Services with P2S Inc. in the Amount of $40,528.00. ($40,528.00 – Budgeted – Budget Item No. 1-02-5070-007 – Engineering/Grant Manager Rogers)

Assistant General Manager Ly provided an overview of the proposed contract with P2S Inc., and after clarification of the budget item number for this work and of the bids received, it was moved by Director Alvarado, seconded by Director Dizmang, and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Directors present at the meeting on the following roll call vote to authorize staff to enter into a contract for Arc Flash Assessment Services with P2S Inc. in the amount of $40,528.00 under corrected Budget Item No. 1-00-5021-000:

President Dino – aye
Director Mac Laren – aye
Director Dizmang – aye
Director Wilson – aye
Director Alvarado – aye

7.3) 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 2020 Budget:

a) None at This Time.

There were no conferences, seminars, and training sessions to consider.

8) Information Items:

8.1) Reports of Directors:

a) Meetings; Standing Committee/Assignment Reports; General Report.

Director Wilson reported that on May 28, he attended a briefing; that on June 4, he attended a briefing regarding tonight's meeting; and that on June 8, he is attending the Palmdale Water District Regular Board Meeting.

Director Dizmang reported that on May 28, she attended a briefing and that on June 5, she attended a Board briefing regarding tonight's meeting.

Director Mac Laren reported that on May 27, she attended the Antelope Valley Watermaster meeting; that on May 28, she attended a weekly update briefing; that on June 4, she attended a Board briefing regarding tonight's meeting; and that also on June 4, she attended the Antelope Valley Partners COVID-19 Meeting with the City.

Director Alvarado reported that on May 28, he had a weekly briefing; that also on May 28, he participated in the Antelope Valley Partners COVID-19 Meeting with the City; that on June 2, he attended a briefing with the Palmdale Fin & Feather Club; that on June 4, he attended a Board briefing; that also on June 4, he attended the Antelope Valley Partners COVID-19 Meeting with the City; and that on June 8, he is attending the Palmdale Water District Regular Board Meeting.

President Dino reported that on June 1, he attended an Agenda Review and Approval meeting; that June 4, he attended a Board briefing; and that on June 8, he is attending the Palmdale Water District Regular Board Meeting.

8.2) Report of General Manager.

General Manager LaMoreaux reported that when the COVID-19 event began in early March, the District stopped assessing late fees and shut-off notices on past due or unpaid accounts; that as of June, late notices will be sent; but that no shut-off dates will be included on these late notices.

8.3) Report of General Counsel.

General Counsel Dunn reported that the Governor's latest Executive Order issued last Friday extended the deadline for workers compensation appeals; that the Supreme Court recently ruled that there can be no charge for redacting electronic public records under public records act requests; and that the Department of Industrial Relations has

provided the opinion that an irrigation district must pay prevailing wages if it hires contract employees through an outside company.

9) Public Comments on Closed Session Agenda Matters.

There were no public comments on closed session agenda matters.

10) Closed Session Under:

10.1) Conference With Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation: A Closed Session Will be Held, Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9 (d)(4), to Confer With General Counsel Regarding One Case of Potential Litigation.

At 6:25 p.m., President Dino called for a closed session pursuant to Government Code §54956.9 (d)(4), to confer with General Counsel regarding one case of potential litigation. He reconvened the Regular Board Meeting at 6:48 p.m.

11) Public Report of Any Action Taken in Closed Session.

General Counsel Dunn stated that a closed session was held pursuant to Government Code §54956.9 (d)(4), to confer with General Counsel regarding one case of potential litigation; that the Board took unanimous action in closed session to authorize the District to join the State Water Contractors lawsuit against the California Department of Water Resources; and that it is anticipated that no extensive resources will be needed for this action.

12) Board Members' Requests for Future Agenda Items.

There were no requests for future agenda items.

13) Adjournment.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Secretary