MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE RESOURCE AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE OF THE PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT, AUGUST 11, 2020:

A meeting of the Resource and Facilities Committee of the Palmdale Water District was held Tuesday, August 11, 2020, at 2029 East Avenue Q, Palmdale, California, in the Board Room of the District office. Chair Mac Laren called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

1) Roll Call.

Attendance:	**Others Present:**
Committee:	Dennis LaMoreaux, General Manager (via teleconf.)
Kathy Mac Laren, Chair (via teleconf.)	Adam Ly, Assistant General Manager (via teleconf.)
Robert Alvarado, Committee Member (via teleconf.)	Don Wilson, PWD Director (via teleconf.)
	Mike Williams, Finance Manager (via teleconf.)
	Judy Shay, Public Affairs Director (via teleconf.
	Scott Rogers, Engineering/Grant Manager (via teleconf.)
	Chris Bligh, Facilities Manager (via teleconf.)
	Claudia Bolanos, Res. & Analytics Spvsr. (via teleconf.)
	Dawn Deans, Executive Assistant (via teleconf.)
	0 members of the public

2) Adoption of Agenda.

It was moved by Committee Member Alvarado, seconded by Chair Mac Laren, and unanimously carried by all members of the Committee present at the meeting to adopt the agenda, as written.

3) Public Comments for Non-Agenda Items.

There were no public comments for non-agenda items.

4) Action Items: (The Public Shall Have an Opportunity to Comment on Any Action Item as Each Item is Considered by the Committee Prior to Action Being Taken.)

4.1) Consideration and Possible Action on Approval of Minutes of Meeting Held July 8, 2020.

It was moved by Committee Member Alvarado, seconded by Chair Mac Laren, and unanimously carried by all members of the Committee present at the meeting to approve the minutes of the Resource and Facilities Committee meeting held July 8, 2020, as written.

4.2) Consideration and Possible Action on 2020 Strategic Plan Goals. (General Manager LaMoreaux)

The Committee reviewed in detail each of the proposed 2020 Strategic Plan Goals for Strategic Initiative No. 1 – Water Resource Reliability, Strategic Initiative No. 3 – Systems Efficiency, and Strategic Initiative No. 4 – Financial Health and Stability. The following revised goals are based on the Committee's and staff's recommendations and include key word phrases for each of the Initiatives:

Strategic Initiative No. 1 – Water Resource Reliability
Resilience, Development, Partnership

- Support and participate with local agencies in the development of projects and policies that improve water reliability
- Expand the recycled water distribution system for both public access and construction water
- Continue the Palmdale Regional Groundwater Recharge and Recovery Project to maximize state and federal funding opportunities
- Support projects and initiatives that increase the resilience of the State Water Project
- Expand access to available water supplies to increase drought resiliency, develop water storage projects, and improve the ability to capture groundwater, local surface water, and recycled water
- Update the 2010 Strategic Water Resources Plan and Water Supply Fee to ensure funding for needed projects
- Strengthen stakeholder relationships and implement Littlerock Dam and Reservoir sediment removal

Strategic Initiative No. 3 – Systems Efficiency
Independence, Technology, Research

- Explore energy independence and evaluate the feasibility of energy options, including wind and solar
- Incorporate more energy efficient technologies into the District's infrastructure
- Advance new technologies to increase treatment efficiencies, including the use of Granular Activated Carbon (GAC)
- Research state-of-the-art treatment techniques to help with systems efficiency and flexibility in using recycled water and surface water

- Enhance technologies to increase efficiencies
- Re-evaluate Lake Palmdale by-pass pipeline and pursue funding options
- Improve Palmdale Ditch to reduce water loss

Strategic Initiative No. 4 – Financial Health and Stability
Strength, Consistency, Balance

- Pursue grant funding for District projects and operations
- Maintain the five-year financial plan adopted as part of the 2019 Water Rate Study, including the five-year Capital Improvement Plan
- Build adequate reserve levels and achieve high-level bond rating
- Seek potential revenue sources from vacant District properties
- Monitor finances, operations, and projects affected by emergencies
- Digitize and document departmental workflows

6) Board Members' Requests for Future Agenda Items.

It was recommended that the Committee review the Meter Procurement and Future Technology Enhancements Project at their next meeting.

There were no further requests for future agenda items.

7) Date of Next Committee Meeting.

It was determined that the next Resource and Facilities Committee meeting will be held September 1, 2020 at 3:00 p.m.

8) Adjournment.

There being no further business to come before the Resource and Facilities Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 4:17 p.m.

Chair