

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT, MAY 23, 2022:

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District was held Monday, May 23, 2022, at 2029 East Avenue Q, Palmdale, CA 93550 and via teleconference. President, Gloria Dizmang, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

1) Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence.

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

2) Roll Call.

Attendance:

Gloria Dizmang, President
Vincent Dino, Vice President
Don Wilson, Treasurer
Kathy Mac Laren-Gomez, Secretary
Scott Kellerman, Director

Others Present:

Dennis LaMoreaux, General Manager
Adam Ly, Assistant General Manager
G. Ross Trindle, General Counsel
Judy Shay, Public Affairs Director
Scott Rogers, Engineering Manager
Dawn Deans, Executive Assistant
4 members of the public

3) Adoption of Agenda.

It was moved by Director Dino, seconded by Director Wilson, 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 Dizmang – aye
Director Dino – aye
Director Wilson – aye
Director Mac Laren-Gomez – aye
Director Kellerman – aye

4) Public Comments for Non-Agenda Items.

There were no public comments for non-agenda items.

5) Presentations:

5.1) Presentation of Hauled Water Grant Funding From State Water Resources Control Board for Providing Potable Water to Residents at Alpine Springs Mobile Home Park. (\$256,250.00 – Revenue – Assistant General Manager Ly/Maria Kennedy, Kennedy Communications)

Assistant General Manager Ly and Maria Kennedy, Kennedy Communications, provided an overview of the process for obtaining grant funding to provide potable hauled water to the Alpine Springs Mobile Home Park, the next step for obtaining grant funding to connect the Park to the District's system, and incentive funding for District infrastructure projects near the Park.

The Board then thanked Ms. Kennedy and Mr. Luis Avina, Manager for the Alpine Springs Mobile Home Park, for their assistance in obtaining the funding.

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 Board Meeting Held May 9, 2022.

6.2) Payment of Bills for May 23, 2022.

6.3) Approval of Resolution No. 22-13 Being a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District Proclaiming a Local Emergency Persists, Ratifying the Proclamation of a State of Emergency by the Governor Issued March 4, 2020, and Re-Authorizing Remote Teleconference Meetings of the Legislative Bodies of the Palmdale Water District for the Period Beginning June 1, 2022 and Ending June 30, 2022 Pursuant to Brown Act Provisions. (No Budget Impact – Assistant General Manager Ly)

President Dizmang announced the items included in the Consent Calendar after which it was moved by Director Mac Laren-Gomez, seconded by Director Dino, 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 Dizmang – aye

Director Dino – aye

Director Wilson – aye

Director Mac Laren-Gomez – aye
Director Kellerman – aye

Resolution No. 22-13 is hereby made a portion of the minutes of this meeting.

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 Approval of an Agreement with Woodard & Curran to Update the Strategic Water Resources Plan. (\$649,759.00 Not-to-Exceed – Budgeted – Work Order No. 22-400 – Assistant General Manager Ly)

Assistant General Manager Ly provided an overview of the proposed Agreement with Woodard & Curran after which it was moved by Director Dino, seconded by Director Kellerman, and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Directors present at the meeting on the following roll call vote to approve an Agreement with Woodard & Curran to update the Strategic Water Resources Plan in the not-to-exceed amount of \$649,759.00:

President Dizmang – aye
Director Dino – aye
Director Wilson – aye
Director Mac Laren-Gomez – aye
Director Kellerman – aye

7.2) Consideration and Possible Action on Resolution No. 22-14 Being a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District Authorizing the Purchase of Tax Defaulted Properties APN 3053-011-006 and APN 3022-004-026. (\$86,274.36 – Budgeted 2023 – Budget Item No. 1-02-5070-006 – Engineering Manager Rogers)

Engineering Manager Rogers provided an overview of the proposed purchase of tax defaulted properties under Resolution No. 22-14 after which it was moved by Director Dino, seconded by Director Wilson, and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Directors present at the meeting on the following roll call vote to approve Resolution No. 22-14 being a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District Authorizing the Purchase of Tax Defaulted Properties APN 3053-011-006 and APN 3022-004-026 in the amount of \$86,274.36:

President Dizmang – aye
Director Dino – aye
Director Wilson – aye
Director Mac Laren-Gomez – aye
Director Kellerman – aye

Resolution No. 22-14 is hereby made a portion of the minutes of this meeting.

7.3) Consideration and Possible Action on Resolution No. 22-15 Being a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District Authorizing the Purchase of Tax Defaulted Properties APN 3054-024-066, APN 3054-023-041, and APN 3053-031-011. (\$187,779.93 – Budgeted 2023 – Budget Item No. 1-02-5070-006 – Engineering Manager Rogers)

Engineering Manager Rogers provided an overview of the proposed purchase of tax defaulted properties under Resolution No. 22-15 after which it was moved by Director Dino, seconded by Director Kellerman, and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Directors present at the meeting on the following roll call vote to approve Resolution No. 22-15 being a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District Authorizing the Purchase of Tax Defaulted Properties APN 3054-024-066, APN 3054-023-041, and APN 3053-031-011 in the amount of \$187,779.93.

President Dizmang – aye
Director Dino – aye
Director Wilson – aye
Director Mac Laren-Gomez – aye
Director Kellerman – aye

Resolution No. 22-15 is hereby made a portion of the minutes of this meeting.

7.4) 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 2022 Budget:

a) **None at This Time.**

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

8) Information Items:

8.1) Reports of Directors:

a) Standing Committees; Organization Appointments; Agency Liaisons:

**1) Antelope Valley East Kern Water Agency (AVEK) – May 10.
(Director Dino/Director Mac Laren-Gomez, Alt.)**

Director Dino reported that he attended the AVEK Meeting on May 10 where they discussed the next phase for their Enterprise Water Banking Program and the status of the potential historical farmhouse located within the boundaries of their High Desert Water Bank.

2) California Special Districts Association (CSDA) Chapter Meeting– May 12. (Director Dino, Chapter Chair/President Dizmang)

Director Dino reported that he attended the CSDA Chapter Meeting on May 12 where they discussed their quarterly luncheon to be held at the Chimbole Center in Palmdale sponsored by Centrica Business Solutions with guest speakers Arlene Barrera, Los Angeles County Auditor-Controller, and Eric Spencer, from CSDA.

3) Palmdale Fin & Feather Club – May 14. (President Dizmang/Director Wilson, Alt.)

President Dizmang reported that she attended the Palmdale Fin & Feather Club Meeting on May 21 where she reported on her task of determining if guppies could be used in Lake Palmdale to eradicate mosquito larvae, which is not feasible, they reviewed their budget and membership numbers, and provided her with two tickets to the Ducks Unlimited dinner later that night.

4) Air Force Plant 42 Environmental Restoration Advisory Board (ERAB) – May 18. (Director Wilson/Director Dino, Alt.)

Director Wilson reported that he attended the ERAB Meeting on May 18 where they discussed TCE and PFOS/PFOA contaminants and that he will submit a written report for this meeting followed by discussion of the nitrate plume.

b) General Meetings Reports of Directors.

Director Kellerman reported that on May 19, he attended a Board Briefing; that on May 23, he attended a California Special Districts Association (CSDA) Webinar "Resources for New Board Members;" that also on May 23, he is attending the Palmdale Water District Regular Board Meeting.

Director Wilson reported that on May 18, he attended the ERAB Meeting; that on May 19, he attended a Board Briefing; that on May 23, he is attending the Palmdale Water District Regular Board Meeting; that on May 24, he will be attending the Outreach Committee Meeting; and that on May 25, he will be attending the AVEDGE Spring Business Summit.

Director Mac Laren-Gomez reported that on April 5, she attended a meeting with Dr. Mathis; that on May 19, she attended a Board Briefing; that also on May 19, she attended the Antelope Valley Watermaster Ad Hoc Committee Meeting regarding administrative duties for the Watermaster; and then thanked the District for sponsoring the Antelope Valley Sheriff Booster's Casino Night.

Director Dino reported that on April 21, he attended a Board Briefing; that on May 10, he attended an AVEK Board Meeting; that on May 12, he attended a CSDA Chapter Meeting; that on May 18, he attended the ERAB meeting via zoom; that on May 19, he attended a Board Briefing; that on May 23, he is attending the Palmdale Water District Regular Board Meeting; that on May 24, he will be attending an AVEK Board Meeting; and that on May 25, he will be attending the Personnel Committee Meeting.

He then added that on May 14, he also attended the Antelope Valley Sheriff Booster's Casino Night.

President Dizmang reported that May 2 to 6, she attended the Association of California Water Agencies/Joint Powers Insurance Authority (ACWA/JPIA) Conference in Sacramento and provided a detailed overview of the Conference, including meetings she attended on the topics of insurance, inflation, the Delta Conveyance Project, Executive Committee elections, water conservation encouragement, climate issues, water systems consolidation, and preventing water fights; that she attended an Agenda Review Meeting during the ACWA Conference; that on May 12, she attended the CSDA Chapter Meeting; that she attended the Antelope Valley Sheriff Booster's Casino Night; that on May 19, she attended a Board Briefing; that on May 21, she attended the Palmdale Fin & Feather Club Meeting; that also on May 21, she attended the Ducks

Unlimited Dinner; and that on May 31, she will be attending the Finance Committee Meeting.

8.2) Report of General Manager.

General Manager LaMoreaux reported that regarding the Delta Conveyance Project, the Draft EIR detailing the Project will be circulated late June or July; that the capacity of the Project is 6,000 cfs; that a Final EIR is anticipated by the end of 2023; and that it is hoped there will be no changes to the Project if a new Governor is elected.

He then reported that when the ERAB group first met, there were 28 contaminated sites of concern; that there is now one site of concern; and that as reported by Director Wilson, there is now concern with PFOS/PFOA contamination.

He then reported that the ACWA Conference presentations are now available and can be copied to thumb drives for the Directors and that Jennifer Pierre, General Manager for the State Water Contractors, will be attending the June 9, 2022 Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association meeting to present information on Voluntary Agreements among the State Water Contractors regarding unrestricted flows and habitat restoration.

8.3) Report of General Counsel.

General Counsel Trindle reported on a case regarding public agencies and the process for recovering mandatory fees from non-paying customers and provided a brief update on the State Water Contractors vs. Department of Water Resources matter.

9) Board Members' Requests for Future Agenda Items.

There were no requests for future agenda items.

10) Adjournment.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:06 p.m.



Vice President ~~Secretary~~ =

RESOLUTION NO. 22-13

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT PROCLAIMING A LOCAL EMERGENCY PERSISTS, RATIFYING THE PROCLAMATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY BY THE GOVERNOR ISSUED MARCH 4, 2020, AND RE-AUTHORIZING REMOTE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE BODIES OF THE PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING JUNE 1, 2022 AND ENDING JUNE 30, 2022 PURSUANT TO BROWN ACT PROVISIONS.

WHEREAS, the Palmdale Water District is committed to preserving and nurturing public access and participation in meetings of the Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, all meetings of Palmdale Water District's ("District") legislative bodies are open and public, as required by the Ralph M. Brown Act (Cal. Gov. Code 54950 – 54963), so that any member of the public may attend, participate, and watch the District's legislative bodies conduct their business; and

WHEREAS, the Brown Act, Government Code section 54953(e), makes provisions for remote teleconferencing participation in meetings by members of a legislative body, without compliance with the requirements of Government Code section 54953(b)(3), subject to the existence of certain conditions; and

WHEREAS, a required condition is that a state of emergency is declared by the Governor pursuant to Government Code section 8625, proclaiming the existence of conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the state caused by conditions as described in Government Code section 8558; and

WHEREAS, a proclamation is made when there is an actual incident, threat of disaster, or extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the jurisdictions that are within the District's boundaries, caused by natural, technological, or human-caused disasters; and

WHEREAS, it is further required that state or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing, or, the legislative body meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health and safety of attendees; and

WHEREAS, such conditions now exist in the District, specifically, a State of Emergency has been proclaimed by the Governor of the State of California on March 4, 2020 in response to the global outbreak of the novel Coronavirus disease ("COVID-19"); and

WHEREAS, meeting in person would present an imminent risk to the health and safety of attendees due to the continued impact of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors does hereby find that a State of Emergency has been proclaimed as a result of the threat of COVID-19 and the contagious nature of COVID-19 have caused, and will continue to cause, conditions of peril to the safety of persons within the District that are likely to be beyond the control of services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of the District, and desires to proclaim a local emergency and ratify the proclamation of state of emergency by the Governor of the State of California; and

WHEREAS, as a consequence of the local emergency, the Board of Directors does hereby find that the legislative bodies of the Palmdale Water District shall conduct their meetings without compliance with paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Government Code section 54953, as authorized by subdivision (e) of section 54953, and that such legislative bodies shall comply with the requirements to provide the public with access to the meetings as prescribed in paragraph (2) of subdivision (e) of section 54953; and

WHEREAS, the Palmdale Water District offers the option of teleconferencing to ensure access for the public to attend meetings.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals. The Recitals set forth above are true and correct and are incorporated into this Resolution by this reference.

Section 2. Proclamation of Local Emergency. The Board hereby proclaims that a local emergency now exists throughout the District, and meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health and safety of attendees due to the serious and contagious nature of COVID-19.

Section 3. Ratification of Governor’s Proclamation of a State of Emergency. The Board hereby ratifies the Governor of the State of California’s Proclamation of a State of Emergency, effective as of its issuance date of March 4, 2020.

Section 4. Remote Teleconference Meetings. The staff, General Manager, and legislative bodies of the Palmdale Water District are hereby authorized and directed to take all actions necessary to carry out the intent and purpose of this Resolution including conducting open and public meetings in accordance with Government Code section 54953(e) and other applicable provisions of the Brown Act.

Section 5. Effective Date of Resolution. This Resolution shall take effect on June 1, 2022 and shall be effective until the earlier of (i) June 30, 2022, which is 30 days from the adoption of this Resolution, or (ii) such time the Board of Directors adopts a subsequent resolution in accordance with Government Code section 54953(e)(3) to extend the time during which the legislative bodies of the Palmdale Water District may continue to teleconference without compliance with paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of section 54953.

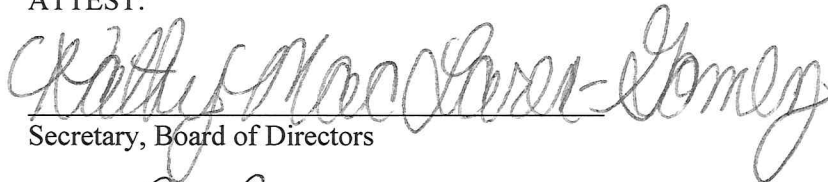
PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District this 23rd day of May, 2022, by the following vote:

- AYES: President Dizmang, Directors Dino, Wilson, Mac Laren-Gomez, Kellerman
- NOES: None.
- ABSENT: None.
- ABSTAIN: None.



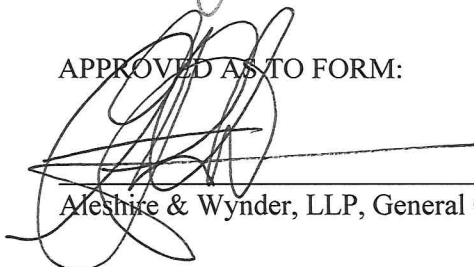
 President, Board of Directors

ATTEST:



 Secretary, Board of Directors

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



 Aleshire & Wynder, LLP, General Counsel

**PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT
RESOLUTION NO. 22-14**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE
OF TAX DEFAULTED PROPERTIES
APN 3053-011-006 AND APN 3022-004-026**

WHEREAS, the real properties described as Assessor's Identification Numbers (AIN) 3053-011-006 and 3022-004-026 are situated within and/or adjacent to the boundaries of the Palmdale Water District ("District"), and the District has an interest in acquiring said properties; and

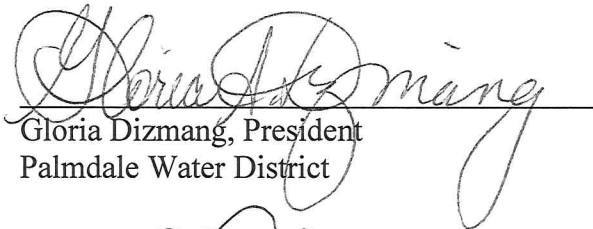
WHEREAS, said real properties are tax defaulted and subject to the power of sale by the tax collector of Los Angeles County for the non-payment of taxes, pursuant to provision of law.

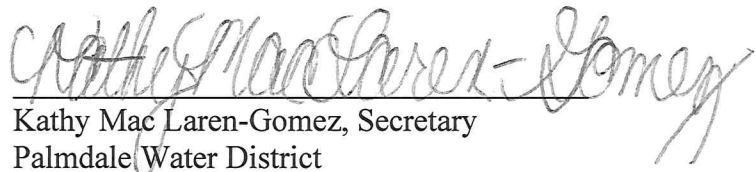
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District authorizes the Palmdale Water District to purchase said tax defaulted properties.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District authorizes the Palmdale Water District to pay the total purchase price listed for each real property described, including all costs related to the purchase, including, but not limited to, cost of notification, cost of publication, cost of postage, title report fee and Forfeited State Lands Fee.

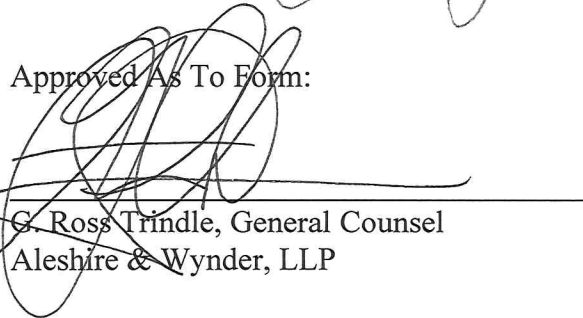
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that District staff is hereby authorized and directed to prepare such additional documents and take such further actions as may be necessary to implement this Resolution.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED at a Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District held on May 23, 2022.


Gloria Dizmang, President
Palmdale Water District


Kathy Mac Laren-Gomez, Secretary
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Approved As To Form:


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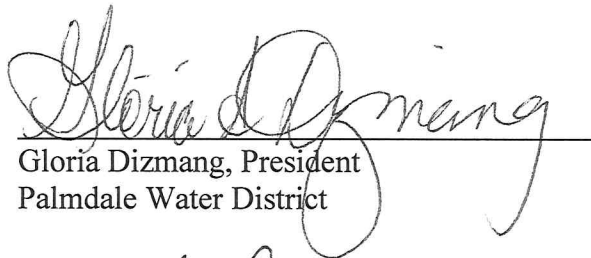
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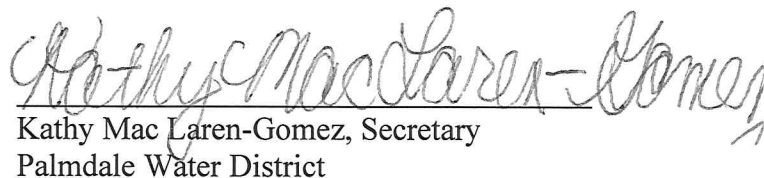
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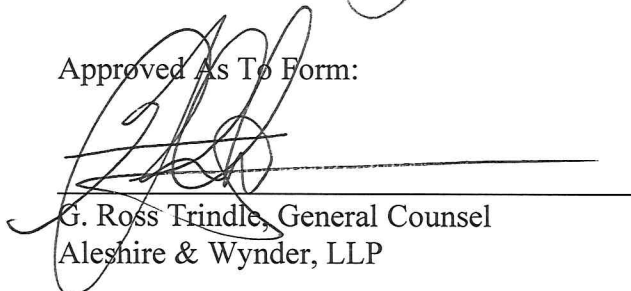


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