

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT, NOVEMBER 28, 2022:**

*A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District was held Monday, November 28, 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, Engineering Manager Rogers 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:**

Adam Ly, Assistant General Manager  
G. Ross Trindle, General Counsel  
Dennis Hoffmeyer, Finance Manager  
Judy Shay, Public Affairs Director  
Scott Rogers, Engineering Manager  
Diana Gunn, Accounting Supervisor  
Dawn Deans, Executive Assistant  
0 members of the public

**3) Adoption of Agenda.**

Finance Manager Hoffmeyer stated that Agenda Item No. 8.2.b.2 can be removed from the agenda 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 adopt the agenda, as amended:

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) 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 Board Meeting Held November 14, 2022.**

**6.2) Payment of Bills for November 28, 2022.**

**6.3) Approval of Resolution No. 22-28 Being a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District Establishing its Investment Policy. (No Budget Impact – Finance Manager Hoffmeyer/Financial Advisor Egan/Finance Committee)**

**6.4) Approval of Resolution No. 22-29 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 December 1, 2022 and Ending December 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 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 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. 22-28 and Resolution No. 22-29 are 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 Resolution No. 22-30 Being a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District Authorizing the District's Application for Funding From the State of California's 2022 Urban Community Drought Relief Grant Program. (\$42,029,881.00 – Potential Revenue – Engineering Manager Rogers)**

Engineering Manager Rogers provided an overview of this opportunity to obtain grant funding and the projects proposed to be submitted for funding after which it was moved by Director Kellerman, 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 Resolution No. 22-30 being a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District Authorizing the District's Application for Funding from the State of California's 2022 Urban Community Drought Relief Grant Program with a potential revenue amount of \$42,029,881.00:

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

Resolution No. 22-30 is hereby made a portion of the minutes of this meeting.

**7.2) Consideration and Possible Action on Approval of Resolution No. 22-31 Being a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District Approving a Waiver of the District's Procurement and Purchasing Policy. (No Budget Impact – Engineering Manager Rogers)**

Engineering Manager Rogers provided an overview of the need to waive the District's Procurement and Purchasing Policy for several contracts and equipment purchases related to the Pure Water AV Demonstration Facility 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. 22-31 being a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District Approving a Waiver of the District's Procurement and Purchasing Policy:

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

Resolution No. 22-31 is hereby made a portion of the minutes of this meeting.

**7.3) Consideration and Possible Action on Authorizing Staff to Negotiate and Execute a Services Contract for Engineering Submittals for an Ultraviolet Light and Advanced Oxidation Process System for the Pure Water AV Demonstration Facility and Agree to the Pricing Terms for the Purchase with a Present Cost Amount. (\$264,811.58 – Budgeted – Engineering Manager Rogers)**

Engineering Manager Rogers provided an overview of the proposed services contract with Trojan Technologies and clarified the cost of the contract 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 authorize staff to negotiate and execute a Services Contract for Engineering Submittals for an Ultraviolet Light and Advanced Oxidation Process System for the Pure Water AV Demonstration Facility and agree to the pricing terms for the purchase with a present cost amount of \$264,811.58:

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

**7.4) Consideration and Possible Action on Authorizing Staff to Enter into a Construction Contract with Cedro Construction, Inc. for the Water Main Replacement Project in Avenue Q-6 at 12<sup>th</sup> Street East. (\$189,595.00 Not-to-Exceed – Budgeted – W.O. No. 20-609 – Engineering Manager Rogers)**

Engineering Manager Rogers provided an overview of the bids received for this project 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 authorize staff to enter into a Construction Contract with Cedro Construction, Inc. for the Water Main Replacement Project in Avenue Q-6 at 12<sup>th</sup> Street East in the not-to-exceed amount of \$189,595.00:

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

**7.5) Consideration and Possible Action on Cancelling the Second Regular Board Meeting in December, December 26, 2022, Due to the District’s Scheduled Office Closure. (No Budget Impact – General Manager LaMoreaux)**

Assistant General Manager Ly provided an overview of the need to cancel the second Regular Board Meeting in December after which it was moved by Director Kellerman, 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 cancel the second Regular Board Meeting in December, December 26, 2022, due to the District’s scheduled office closure:

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

**7.6) 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) The 11<sup>th</sup> American Water Summit – Re-thinking Water to be Held January 24 – 26, 2023 in Los Angeles.**

After clarification of attendance at this conference, 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 the following conferences, seminars, and training sessions for Board and staff attendance within budget amounts previously approved in the 2022 Budget: The 11<sup>th</sup> American Water Summit – Re-thinking Water to be Held January 24 – 26, 2023 in Los Angeles:

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

**8) Information Items:**

**8.1) Reports of Directors:**

**a) Standing Committees; Organization Appointments; Agency Liaisons:**

**1) Antelope Valley East Kern Water Agency (AVEK) – November 22.  
(Director Dino, Board Liaison/Director Mac Laren-Gomez, Alt.)**

Director Dino stated that on November 22, he attended an AVEK meeting where they approved purchase orders with Brax Process and Pump Equipment for the replacement of a backwash pump and motor at the Quartz Hill Water Treatment Plant for \$64,319.78 and with Douglass Truck Bodies to fabricate and install a stake bed with a crane and lift gate for \$76,993.62.

**2) Finance Committee Meeting – November 15. (Director Wilson,  
Chair/President Dizmang)**

Director Wilson stated that on November 15, he attended a Finance Committee meeting and will submit a written report.

**3) Outreach Committee Meeting – November 16. (Director Mac  
Laren-Gomez, Chair/Director Wilson)**

Director Mac Laren-Gomez stated that on November 16, she attended an Outreach Committee meeting where they discussed the District's various outreach methods, the District's lobbyist provided updates on laws and legislation, and she and Director Wilson will be meeting with the lobbyist at the ACWA Conference.

**4) Special District Association North Los Angeles County (SDANLAC) Board Meeting – November 16. (Director Dino, CSDA Chapter Chair/President Dizmang)**

Director Dino stated that on November 16, he attended a SDANLAC Board Meeting where a guest speaker provided information regarding Chapter dues and the various options for using the dues, but no action was taken on this issue as a full Board was not present at the meeting.

**b) General Meetings Reports of Directors.**

Director Kellerman reported that on October 13, he attended the Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association meeting; that on November 10, he attended a Board Briefing; that on November 14, he attended the Palmdale Water District Regular Board Meeting; that on November 28, he attended a Board Briefing; and that also on November 28, 2022, he is attending the Palmdale Water District Regular Board Meeting.

Director Wilson reported that on November 15, he attended the Finance Committee Meeting; that on November 16, he attended the Outreach Committee Meeting; that on November 23, he attended a Board Briefing; that on November 28, he is attending the Palmdale Water District Regular Board Meeting; and that also on November 28, he is attending the ACWA/JPIA Conference in Palm Desert.

Director Mac Laren-Gomez reported that on October 17, she attended an Antelope Valley Watermaster Briefing; that on November 16, she attended the Outreach Committee Meeting; and that on November 23, she attended a Board Briefing.

Director Dino reported that on November 16, he attended the SDANLAC Board Meeting; that on November 22, he attended an AVEK Board Meeting; that on November 23, he attended a Board Briefing; and that on November 28, he is attending the Palmdale Water District Regular Board Meeting.

President Dizmang reported that on November 15, she attended a Finance Committee Meeting; that also on November 15, she attended an Agenda Review Briefing; that on November 23, she attended a Board Briefing; and that on November 28, she is attending the Palmdale Water District Regular Board Meeting.

**8.2) Report of General Manager.**

**a) November 2022 Written Report of Activities Through October 2022.**

Assistant General Manager Ly stated that General Manager LaMoreaux included a written report with the agenda packets if there are any questions.

**b) Department Presentations:**

**1) Engineering Department. (Engineering Manager Rogers)**

Engineering Manager Rogers provided a detailed overview of the Engineering Department's areas of responsibility, the Department's contributions towards Strategic Plan Initiatives, and the various engineering projects, including pipeline replacement projects, removal of sediment from Littlerock Dam, the Pure Water AV Project, the Palmdale Ditch Conversion Project, and enforcement of the District's Standard Specifications.

**8.3) Report of General Counsel.**


General Counsel Trindle provided an update on AB1536 regarding specific requirements on fee studies for setting capacity fees and charges for water and sewer facilities.

**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 6:53 p.m.

  
Secretary



## **RESOLUTION NO. 22-28**

### **A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT ESTABLISHING ITS INVESTMENT POLICY**

#### **1.0 POLICY**

**WHEREAS;** the Legislature of the State of California has declared that the deposit and investment of public funds by local officials and local agencies is an issue of statewide concern; and

**WHEREAS;** the legislative body of a local agency may invest monies not required for the immediate necessities of the local agency in accordance with the provisions of California Government Code Sections 5922 and 53601 et seq.; and

**WHEREAS;** the Deputy Treasurer of the Palmdale Water District ("District") shall annually prepare and submit a statement of investment policy and such policy, and any changes thereto, and report same to the Finance Committee, and it shall be considered by the Board of Directors at a public meeting;

**NOW THEREFORE;** it shall be the policy of the District to invest funds in a manner which will provide the highest investment return with the maximum security while meeting the daily cash flow demands of the District and conforming to all statutes governing the investment of District funds.

#### **2.0 SCOPE**

This investment policy applies to all investment activities and financial assets of the District. These funds are accounted for in the annual district audit.

#### **3.0 PRUDENCE**

The standard of prudence to be used by investment officers shall be the "prudent investor" standard, pursuant to California Government Code 53600.3, and shall be applied in the context of managing an overall portfolio. Persons authorized to make investment decisions on behalf of local agencies investing public funds are trustees and therefore fiduciaries subject to the prudent investor standard. Investments shall be made with judgment and care, under circumstances then prevailing, including, but not limited to, the general economic conditions and the anticipated needs of the District, which persons of prudence, discretion and intelligence exercise in the management of their own affairs; not for speculation, but for investment, considering the probable safety of their capital as well as the probable income to be derived. Investment officers acting in accordance with written procedures and the investment policy and exercising due diligence shall be relieved of personal responsibility for an individual security's credit risk or market price changes, provided deviations from expectations are reported in a timely fashion and appropriate action is taken to control adverse developments.

#### **4.0 OBJECTIVES**

When investing, reinvesting, purchasing, acquiring, exchanging, selling and managing public funds, the primary objectives, in priority order, of the investment activities shall be:

1. Safety: Safety of principal is the foremost objective of the investment program. Investments of the District shall be undertaken in a manner that seeks to ensure the preservation of capital in the overall portfolio. To attain this objective, the District will diversify its investments by investing funds among a variety of securities with independent returns.

2. Liquidity: The investment portfolio will remain sufficiently liquid to enable the District to meet all operating requirements which might be reasonably anticipated.

3. Return on Investments: The investment portfolio shall be designed with the objective of attaining a acceptable rate of return throughout budgetary and economic cycles, taking into account the District's investment risk constraints and the cash flow characteristics of the portfolio.

#### **5.0 DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY**

Pursuant to California Government Code 53607, the authority to invest public funds of the District is expressly delegated to the Board of Directors of the District (the "Board"). The Board re-delegates the investment function to the Board President or Vice President. The Board President or Vice President, with the concurrence of the Board Finance Committee, designate the District's Financial Advisor as the Deputy Treasurer who shall have the authority to act on behalf of the District and shall assume full responsibility for those transactions until the delegation is revoked or expires. The Board President or Vice President shall delegate the day-to-day operations of investing to the Deputy Treasurer, but not the responsibility for the overall investment program. All transactions will be reviewed by the Finance Committee on a monthly basis to assure compliance with this Investment Policy.

#### **6.0 ETHICS AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

The Board, officers and employees of the District involved in the investment process shall refrain from personal business activity that could conflict with the proper execution and management of the investment program, or which could impair their ability to make impartial investment decisions.

#### **7.0 AUTHORIZED FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND DEALERS**

The Deputy Treasurer will maintain a list of financial institutions, selected on the basis of credit worthiness, financial strength, experience and minimal capitalization, authorized to provide investment services to the District. In addition, a list will also be maintained of approved security broker/dealers selected by credit worthiness who are authorized to provide investment and financial advisory services in the State of California. No public deposit shall be made except in a qualified public depository as established by state laws.

For brokers/dealers of government securities and other investments, the District shall select only broker/dealers who are licensed and in good standing with the California Department of Business Oversight, the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority or other applicable self-regulatory organizations.

Before engaging in investment transactions with a broker/dealer, the Deputy Treasurer shall have received from said firm a signed Certification Form. This form shall attest that the individual responsible for the District's account with that firm has reviewed the District's Investment Policy and that the firm understands this policy and intends to present investment recommendations and transactions to the District that are appropriate under the terms and conditions of this Investment Policy. A current audited financial statement is required to be on file for each financial institution and broker/dealer in which the District invests.

Further, all financial institutions and broker/dealers who desire to conduct investment transactions with the District must supply the Deputy Treasurer with a Certification Form and other documents as the Deputy Treasurer may reasonably deem necessary to make a determination that such financial institution or broker/dealer is reputable and trustworthy.

## **8.0 AUTHORIZED AND SUITABLE INVESTMENTS**

The District is empowered by California Government Code 53601 et seq. to invest in the following:

- a. Bonds issued by the District.
- b. United States Treasury Bills, Notes and Bonds.
- c. Federal agency or United States government-sponsored enterprise obligations, participations, or other instruments, including those issued by, or fully guaranteed as to principal and interest by federal agencies or United States government-sponsored enterprises.
- d. Negotiable certificates of deposit issued by a nationally or state-chartered bank, a savings association or a federal association (as defined by Section 5102 of the Financial Code), or by a state-licensed branch of a foreign bank. Purchases of negotiable certificates of deposit may not exceed 60% of the District's money which may be invested pursuant to this policy.
- e. Monies held by a trustee or fiscal agent and pledged to the payment or security of bonds or other indebtedness, or obligations under a lease, installment sale, or other agreement of a local agency, or certificates of participation in those bonds, indebtedness, or lease installment sale, or other agreements, may be invested in accordance with the statutory provisions governing the issuance of those bonds, indebtedness, or lease installment sale, or other agreement, or to the extent not inconsistent therewith or if there are no specific statutory provisions, in accordance with the ordinance, resolution, indenture, or agreement of the local agency providing for the issuance.

- f. Bonds, notes, warrants or other evidence of debt issued by a local agency within the State of California, including pooled investment accounts sponsored by the State of California, County Treasurers, other local agencies or Joint Powers Agencies.

Such investments shall be limited to securities that at the time of the investment have a term remaining to maturity of five years or less, or as provided above.

The District shall not invest any funds covered by this Investment Policy in inverse floaters, range notes, interest-only strips derived from mortgage pools or any investment that may result in a zero interest accrual if held to maturity.

## **9.0 COLLATERALIZATION**

All certificates of deposit must be collateralized by United States Treasury Obligations. Collateral must be held by a third party trustee and valued on a monthly basis. The percentage of collateralizations on repurchase and reverse agreements will adhere to the amount required under California Government Code 53601(j)(2).

## **10.0 SAFEKEEPING AND CUSTODY**

All security transactions entered into by the District shall be conducted on delivery-versus-payment (DVP) basis. All securities purchased or acquired shall be delivered to the District by book entry, physical delivery or by third party custodial agreement evidence by safekeeping receipts.

## **11.0 DIVERSIFICATION**

The District will diversify its investments by security type and institution. Assets shall be diversified to mitigate the risk of loss resulting from over concentration of assets in a specific maturity, a specific issuer or a specific class of securities.

Diversification strategies shall be reviewed and revised periodically. In establishing specific diversification strategies, the following general policies and constraints shall apply:

- a. Portfolio maturity dates shall be matched versus liabilities to avoid undue concentration in a specific maturity sector.
- b. Maturities selected shall provide for stability of income and liquidity.
- c. Disbursement and payroll dates shall be covered through maturities of investments, marketable United States Treasury bills or other cash equivalent instruments such as money market mutual funds.

**12.0 REPORTING**

The Deputy Treasurer, after review by the Finance Committee, shall submit to each member of the Board an investment report at least quarterly. Pursuant to California Government Code 53646, the report shall include a complete description of the portfolio, the type of investments, the issuers, maturity dates, par values and the current market values of each component of the portfolio, including funds managed for District by third party contracted managers. The report will also include the source of the portfolio valuation. For funds which are placed in LAIF, FDIC-insured accounts and/or in a county investment pool, the foregoing report elements may be replaced by copies of the latest statements from such institutions. The report must also include a certification that (1) all investment actions executed since the last report have been made in full compliance with the Investment Policy, and (2) the District will meet its expenditure obligations for the next six months. The Deputy Treasurer shall maintain a complete and timely record of all investment transactions.

**13.0 INVESTMENT POLICY ADOPTION**

This Investment Policy shall be adopted by resolution of the District. Moreover, the Policy shall be reviewed on an annual basis, and modifications must be approved by the Board.

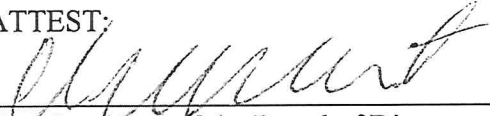
**PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED** at a Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Palmdale Water District held on November 28, 2022. Resolution No. 22-28 was adopted by the following vote:


**AYES:** President Dizmang, Directors Dino, Wilson, Mac Laren-Gomez, Kellerman

**NOES:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

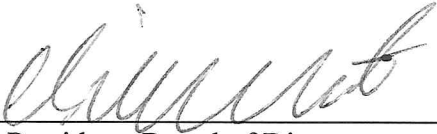
  
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President, Board of Directors  
Palmdale Water District

**ATTEST:**  
  
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Vice President of the Board of Directors

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**  
  
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Aleshire & Wynder, General Counsel

STATE OF CALIFORNIA            )  
  )  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES        )        ss.

I, Vincent Dino, Vice President of the Palmdale Water District, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of Resolution No. 22-28 of the Board of Directors of Palmdale Water District adopted at a Regular Meeting held on November 28, 2022 and that the same has not been amended or repealed.

  
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Vice President, Board of Directors  
Palmdale Water District

DATED: November 28, 2022





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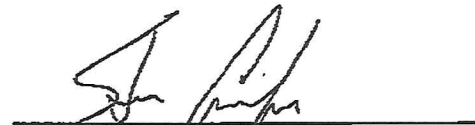

Finance Committee  
Palmdale Water District  
2029 East Ave Q  
Palmdale, CA 93550

November 08, 2022

Dear Sirs:

This letter certifiers that I have read and understand the Palmdale Water District Investment Policy. I will present investment recommendations and transactions that are appropriate under its terms and conditions.

Sincerely,

  
James Giordano, CFP® , CRPS®  
Senior Vice President- Wealth Mgmt  
Steve Crawford, CRPS®  
First Vice President - Wealth Mgmt  
Ruby Mardueno, CFP® , CRPS®  
Team Administrator



**RESOLUTION NO. 22-29**

**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 DECEMBER 1, 2022 AND ENDING DECEMBER 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.

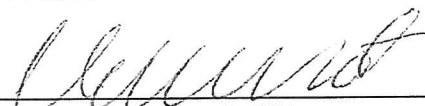
Section 5. Effective Date of Resolution. This Resolution shall take effect on December 1, 2022 and shall be effective until the earlier of (i) December 30, 2022, which is 30 days from the adoption of this Resolution, or (ii) such time the Board of Directors adopts a subsequent resolution in accordance 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 28<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2022, by the following vote:

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

  
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President, Board of Directors

ATTEST:

  
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Vice President, Board of Directors

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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Aleshire & Wynder, LLP, General Counsel

**RESOLUTION 22-30**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT'S APPLICATION FOR FUNDING FROM THE 2022 URBAN COMMUNITY DROUGHT RELIEF GRANT PROGRAM FOR VARIOUS DISTRICT PROJECTS ELIGIBLE FOR THE FUNDING, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, DRILLING AND EQUIPPING OF WELLS 36 AND 37, PURE WATER ANTELOPE VALLEY DEMONSTRATION/LEARNING FACILITY, AVENUE Q RECYCLED WATER PIPELINE, AND TURF REDUCTION PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, Palmdale Water District is an irrigation district established pursuant to Section 20500 et seq. of the California Water Code.

**WHEREAS**, water supply in the Palmdale area is facing a growing list of challenges associated with regulatory cutbacks on State Water Project deliveries due to the declining storage levels, Bay-Delta instability, climate change, and aging infrastructure; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of California Budget Act of 2021 has made available \$200 million for funding for projects that provide immediate drought relief to urban communities and for multi-benefit projects; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of California legislature amended the Budget Act of 2021 to allocate an additional \$545 million to the Department of Water Resources for drought relief; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District has identified several projects that exemplify the objectives of the 2022 Urban Community Drought Relief Grant Program; and

**WHEREAS**, Palmdale Water District agrees to the administration as required in the Budget Act of 2021.

**NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District as follows:

**SECTION 1.** That pursuant and subject to all of the terms and provisions of the Budget Act of 2021 (Stats. 2021, ch. 240, § 80), the Palmdale Water District General Manager, or designee, is hereby authorized and directed to prepare and file an application for funding with the Department of Water Resources and take such other actions necessary or appropriate to obtain grant funding.

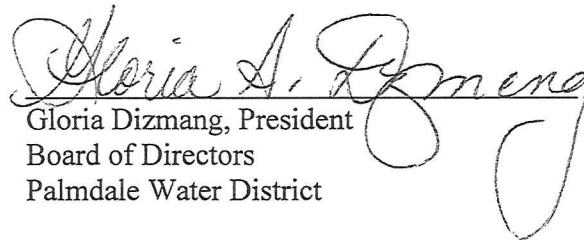
**SECTION 2.** The Palmdale Water District General Manager, or designee, is hereby authorized and directed to execute the funding agreement with the Department of Water Resources and any amendments thereto.

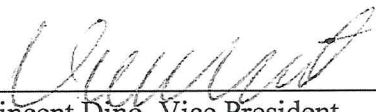
**SECTION 3.** The Palmdale Water District General Manager, or designee, is hereby authorized and directed to submit any required documents, invoices, and reports required to obtain grant funding.

**SECTION 6.** This Resolution shall be effective as of the date of adoption.


### CERTIFICATION

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 28<sup>th</sup> day of November 2022.

  
Gloria Dizmang, President  
Board of Directors  
Palmdale Water District

  
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Vincent Diño, Vice President  
Board of Directors  
Palmdale Water District

Approved as to form:

  
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Aleshire & Wynder, LLP  
District Legal Counsel

**RESOLUTION NO. 22-31**  
**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**OF THE PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT APPROVING**  
**WAIVER OF DISTRICT PROCUREMENT AND PURCHASING POLICY**

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District ("District") has previously adopted a Procurement and Purchasing Policy, as fully set forth in Appendix M of the District's Rules and Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the District's Procurement and Purchasing Policy generally requires solicitation of bids for any construction project the District undertakes which has an estimated cost in excess of \$50,000, and the subsequent letting of any contract for such a project to the lowest responsible bidder; and

WHEREAS, Section I of the District's Procurement and Purchasing Policy provides that notwithstanding that policy, all contracts for projects the District undertakes may be made or entered into upon such terms and conditions and in such manner as the Board of Directors determines is in the best interest of the District; and

WHEREAS, the advanced water treatment equipment for the Pure Water AV Demonstration Facility, which includes microfiltration, reverse osmosis, and ultraviolet light with advanced oxidation, is specialized and requires evaluation beyond costs, and the District requested proposals from manufacturers to meet specific criteria in order to evaluate the equipment that provides the best value for the money; and

WHEREAS, the District has received proposals from potential manufacturers to provide the equipment to meet the regulatory requirements for advanced treatment of recycled water for indirect potable reuse, schedule, warranty, and impacts to site layout; and

WHEREAS, the District now desires to waive the requirement for solicitation of bids and authorize District staff to negotiate a fair and reasonable price for the purchase of the equipment based on the proposals received.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PALMDALE WATER DISTRICT DOES HEREBY RESOLVE that it is in the District's best interest to authorize the General Manager, or his designee, to negotiate a price for the purchase of the advanced treatment equipment and related work without further compliance with the District's Procurement and Purchasing Policy requirement for solicitation of multiple bids as set forth under Section IV of that policy, and waives such requirement as to the Pure Water AV Demonstration Facility project.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Palmdale Water District this 28<sup>th</sup> day of November, 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:

  
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Vice President, Board of Directors

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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Aleshire & Wynder, LLP, General Counsel