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AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
COACHELLA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

May 23, 2017

1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Coachella Valley Water District was called to order by President John Powell at 8:00 a.m., Tuesday, May 23, 2017, at the office of the District in Coachella, California. President Powell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: President John P. Powell, Jr.
Director G. Patrick O'Dowd
Director Anthony Bianco
Director Peter Nelson

Absent: Vice President Cástulo R. Estrada (attending swearing in for Riverside County Supervisor Perez)

Staff Present: Jim Barrett, General Manager
Jeff Ferre, Counsel
Sylvia Bermudez, Clerk of the Board

3. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

- A. No Item(s) to be removed or continued from the Agenda
- B. No Emergency Item(s) to be added to the Agenda
- C. No Changes to the order of the Agenda

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment received.

5. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR

President Powell pulled items 5b, 5f and 5h for discussion;

On a motion by Director O'Dowd, seconded by Director Nelson, the Board approved the Consent Calendar (with exception of items pulled); approved by the following vote:

AYES: Powell, O'Dowd, Bianco, Nelson

NOES: None

ABSENT: Estrada

Motion Passed: 4-0-1

- A. MINUTES - May 9, 2017 Regular Meeting of the Coachella Valley Water District Board of Directors
- B. (PULLED) General Manager's Report of Activities during the month of April 2017
- C. Secretary's Record of Written Instruments Accepted and Recorded during the month of April 2017
- D. General Manager's Report of Authorizations during the month of April 2017
- E. First Amendment to Desert Horizons' Nonpotable Water Agreement
- F. (PULLED) Award Construction Contract for Well 5640-2 and Well 5683 Perimeter Walls and Site Improvements, Specification No. 2017-30
- G. Reimbursement Agreement with the City of Cathedral City for the Whitewater Neighborhood Street Improvements - Valve and Manhole Adjustments
- H. (PULLED) Approve revisions to the Turf Removal Rebate Program
- I. Authorize Task Order No. 2017-3 to Northwest Hydraulic Consultants to Provide Engineering Design Services for the Whitewater River Stormwater Channel (WWRSC) Improvement Project between Vista Chino and Ramon Road Bridge
- J. Authorize the General Manager to Execute an Agreement Regarding Real Property with the City of La Quinta for Parcel Map 37207.
- K. Authorize Change Order No. 5 with Pacific Hydrotech Corporation for the WRP 10 T1 Tertiary Filter Improvement Project, Specification No. 2016-48.
- L. Authorize Task Order No. 8 to Albert A. Webb Associates for Engineering Services for the Talavera Pipeline Replacement Project - Phases 1 & 2

6. DISCUSSION OF ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

Items 5b, 5f and 5h were pulled for discussion by President Powell.

5. b. General Manager's Report of Activities during the month of April 2017
Secretary's Record of Written Instruments Accepted and Recorded during the month of April 2017.

On a motion by Director O'Dowd, seconded by Director Nelson, the board approved the General Manager's Report of Activities for April 2017, by the following vote:

AYES: Powell, O'Dowd, Bianco, Nelson

NOES: None

ABSENT: Estrada

Motion Passed: 4-0-1**5. f. Award Construction Contract for Well 5640-2 and Well 5683 Perimeter Walls and Site Improvements, Specification No. 2017-30.**

Following a presentation by Dan Ruiz, Engineer Manager the Board discussed the construction contract for Well 5640-2 and Well 5683 perimeter walls and site improvements; the item was continued to 6/13/17 meeting, with no action taken.

5. h. Approve revisions to the Turf Removal Rebate Program

Following a presentation by Katie Evans, Conservation Manager the Board on the revisions to the Turf Removal Rebate Program; after discussion from the Board, on a motion by Director Bianco, seconded by Director Nelson, the board approved the Turf Removal Rebate Program with an additional revision to increase cap to 10,000 sq. ft. for residential projects, by the following vote:

AYES: Powell, O'Dowd, Bianco, Nelson

NOES: None

ABSENT: Estrada

Motion Passed: 4-0-1

7. PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS**A. Employee Recognitions**

President Powell and General Manager Barrett, recognized the following employee:

Retirement

- ❖ Ed Houston, Environmental Safety Specialist, 11 years

8. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS**A. Written Communications – on file****B. Informational Reports to the Board**

- i Fiscal 2017 Budget vs. Actual Report for July 1, 2016 through March 31, 2017

9. ACTION ITEMS**A. Personnel Requests for Fiscal Year 2018, presentation by Kay Godbey, Finance Director.**

Following a presentation by Kay Godbey, Finance Director the Board discussed personnel requests for FY 2018; On a motion by President Powell, seconded by Director O'Dowd, recommended approval of the following seven (7) positions; Laboratory Aide I; Asset Manager Program Coordinator; Ops Manager, Stormwater & Canal; Cross-Connection Control Tech (1); Meter & Valve Tech II (1); Distribution Op Trainee (1); Auto Shop Attendant (1).

Motion maker withdrew motion and a substitute motion was made.

Substitute motion

Director Nelson made a substitute motion, seconded by Director O'Dowd, approved and authorized the addition of seven additional personnel-positions, and directed the General Manager to select the positions to be hired; approved by the following vote:

AYES: Powell, O'Dowd, Nelson

NOES: Bianco

ABSENT: Estrada

Motion Passed: 3-1-1

- B. Professional Services Agreement with Dahl Consultants for the design of the Coachella Canal Lining Project Concrete Lining Repair, Phase II, presentation by Dan Charlton, Director of Facilities and Maintenance.

Following a presentation by Dan Charlton, Director of Facilities & Maintenance the Board on a motion by Director Nelson, seconded by Director O'Dowd, approved and authorized the General Manager to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Dahl Consultants for the design of the Coachella Canal Lining Project Concrete Lining Repair, Phase II and approved a contingency in the amount of \$8,500, for a total request of \$93,350.

AYES: Powell, O'Dowd, Bianco, Nelson

NOES: None

ABSENT: Estrada

Motion Passed: 4-0-1

- C. Award Construction Contract for the Shifting Sands Sewer Pipeline Rehabilitation Project, Specification No. 2017-10.

Following a presentation by Armando Rodriguez, Engineer Manager the Board discussed the construction contract for the Shifting Sands Sewer Pipeline, Rehabilitation Project; on a motion by Director Nelson seconded by Director O'Dowd, the Board approved awarding of Construction Contract for the Shifting Sands Sewer Pipeline Rehabilitation Project, Specification No. 2017-10.

AYES: Powell, O'Dowd, Bianco, Nelson

NOES: None

ABSENT: Estrada

Motion Passed: 4-0-1

10. BOARD COMMENTS AND REPORTS

- A. Board Member General Comments

- No comments from Director Nelson, O'Dowd and Bianco.

- President Powell wished Supervisor Perez well on his swearing in, happening this morning.

B. Meetings and Conference Reports

Director Estrada was not present to report on meetings listed below. Meetings will be added to the next Board meeting for reporting.

- i May 3, 2017 Meeting with Craig Kessler, Director of Government Affairs, Southern California Golf Association (Director Bianco)
- ii May 9, 2017 to May 12, 2017 Association of California Water Agencies 2017 Spring Conference (Director O'Dowd)
- iii May 11, 2017 Coachella Valley Conservation Commission Meeting (Director Bianco) **did not attend**
- iv May 11, 2017 Coachella Valley Association of Governments Energy and Environmental Resources Committee Meeting (Director Bianco) **did not attend**
- v May 12, 2017 All Valley Legislative Luncheon (Director Estrada)
- vi May 15, 2017 Board Study Session (All Directors present)
- vii May 15, 2017 Meeting to Prepare for Desert Sun Editorial Board Meeting (Director Powell)
- viii May 15, 2017 Joint Meeting between CVWD and City of Indio regarding current water issues (Directors Nelson and Estrada)
- ix May 16, 2017 Desert Sun Editorial Board Meeting (Director Powell)
- x May 16, 2017 Water Policy and Innovation Summit 2017 (Director O'Dowd)
- xi May 16, 2017 Disadvantaged Communities Infrastructure Committee Meeting (Directors Powell and Estrada) **Powell did not attend**
- xii May 18, 2017 to May 19, 2017 Colorado River Water User's Association Mid-Year Board Meeting (Director Powell)
- xiii May 18, 2017 Salton Sea Authority Board of Directors Meeting (Directors O'Dowd and Estrada)
- xiv May 19, 2017 Association of California Water Agencies State Legislative Committee Meeting (Director O'Dowd)
- xv May 22, 2017 Board Study Session

Meetings added:

- May 11, 2017 DVBA luncheon (Director Powell)
- May 22, 2017 Centennial Committee subgroup meeting (Director Powell)

C. Approval of per diem for meetings reported

On a motion by Director Nelson, seconded by Director O'Dowd, approved per diem for meetings reported.

AYES: Powell, O'Dowd, Bianco, Nelson

NOES: None

ABSENT: Estrada

Motion Passed: 4-0-1

- D. Report Oversight Boards of the Successor Agencies of the Redevelopment Agencies
No meetings reported.

11. STAFF REPORTS

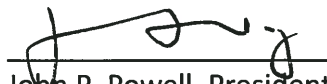
- A. General Manager Jim Barrett, reported outreach efforts have begun for the upcoming Sanitation Prop 218 hearing; informed the Board he would be meeting with Juan Perez, Riverside County Transportation and Land Management Director regarding east valley issues; and the mediation on IID Net Proceeds is scheduled for Tuesday, May 30th.
- B. Counsel Jeff Ferre reported on a recent federal court case under the Freedom Of Information Act which ruled that customer usage data regarding groundwater pumping is exempt from disclosure. This ruling was similar to the outcome in the previous CVWD case which also concluded that such data is exempt from disclosure under the Public Records Act
- C. Departments - None

12. CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

- A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – Anticipated Litigation, Government Code Section 54956.9 (2)(d)
Receipt of Claim – Sergio Montana


13. ADJOURNMENT

President Powell reconvened the meeting back to open session and reported that the Board, on a motion by Director O'Dowd seconded by Director Bianco, the Board took action to deny the claim filed by Sergio Montana and authorized staff to send the applicable notice. The motion passed 4-0-1 (Director Estrada absent). There being no further business before the Board of Directors, at this time, President Powell adjourned the meeting at 9:53 AM.



John P. Powell, President
Coachella Valley Water District

ATTEST:



Sylvia M. Bermudez, Clerk of the Board
Coachella Valley Water District