

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE PICO WATER DISTRICT

A Regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Pico Water District was held in the District's Boardroom located at 4843 South Church Street, Pico Rivera, California, on Wednesday October 7, 2020, 6:06 p.m.

The District's Secretary/General Manager, Mr. Mark J. Grajeda proceeded with the roll call of the attending Board members. Present from the beginning of the meeting were President David R. Gonzales, while Director Robert A. Martinez, Director Victor Caballero, and Director Rapisarda appeared telephonically, in adherence to social distancing and Mr. Jim Ciampa, Legal Counsel for the District appeared electronically. Vice President Lara was absent.

President Gonzales presided over the meeting and Director Martinez led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Grajeda gave the invocation.

President Gonzales inquired if there were any public comments. There were none.

President Gonzales proceeded to the adoption of the Agenda. Director Martinez made the motion to adopt the Agenda and Director Rapisarda seconded the motion. The General Manager announced the motion passed by roll-call vote, 4 – 0.

President Gonzales proceeded to the approval of the Consent Calendar. Director Caballero made the motion to approve and Director Martinez seconded the motion. The General Manager announced the motion passed by roll-call vote, 4 – 0.

President Gonzales proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, consider setting a budget to perform required 2020 Urban Water Management Plan, a Risk and Resilience Assessment Plan and an Emergency Response Plan. The General Manager explained to the Board that after completing the Agenda and sending out he was notified by Legal Counsel that the Public Water Agencies Group (PWAG) of which we were a member has been working with a consultant to secure cost and preparation of the required Risk and Resilience Assessment and Emergency Response Plans and as he has not had a chance to review the proposal he recommended that this matter be continued to another meeting so that he has adequate time to review the PWAG proposal. Legal Counsel explained to the Board the service being offered through the PWAG consultant.

President Gonzales proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, consider extending auditing services with Clifton Larson Allen, LLP (CLA) for auditing services for an additional two years. The General Manager informed the Board that the current agreement with CLA was for three years with an option for two more years. The completion of the last audit marked the three-year mark for CLA and they have proposed \$24,300 for the 2020 fiscal year and \$26,300 for the 2021 fiscal year. Staff recommends that the Board approve extending the current agreement with CLA for one additional year. Director Caballero made the motion the extend the agreement with Clifton Larson Allen, LLP for one additional year at the cost of \$24,300 and President Gonzales seconded the motion, the General Manager announced the motion passed by a roll-call vote of 4 – 0.

President Gonzales proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, General Manager's report. The General Manager invited Board members to Well 11 on Friday, October 9, 2020 and reported that the pump has been reinstalled and tested by General Pump and is operating very well. The plaque for Well 11 should be ready on October 22, 2020; AKM Consulting continues to work on review of District facilities to provide an RFP for the purchase and installation of treatment facilities to remove PFOS chemicals from three of our five wells; The application to WRD for funding for PFOS/PFOA treatment facilities was submitted on September 30, 2020; Staff is still waiting to hear from J DeSigio regarding the start of the Beverly Blvd./Layman Avenue project; Results have been received for the LAFCO Alternate Representative and Melvin L. Matthews has been elected to the position.

President Gonzales proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, Legal Counsel report. There was none.

President Gonzales proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, Director's request for future agenda items.

President Gonzales proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, Director report on meetings attended. There were none.


President Gonzales proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, Director comments. Director Rapisarda requested that her comment regarding "placing in the water bills the municipal code for illicit discharge of any chemicals into the gutters" be recorded in the minutes.

There being no updates for Closed Session by either the General Manager of Legal Counsel, it was cancelled.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Board meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.


David R. Gonzales, President

Attest:


Mark J. Grajeda, Secretary

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