

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

A Special 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, September 22, 2021 at 6:03 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 Raymond Rodriguez, Director Pete Ramirez, Director Robert Martinez, and Vice President Victor Caballero participated telephonically, in adherence to social distancing. Mr. Jim Ciampa, Legal Counsel for the District participated electronically.

President Gonzales led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Vice President Caballero gave the invocation.

President Gonzales proceeded to the adoption of the Agenda. Director Martinez made the motion to approve the agenda and President Gonzales seconded the motion. The General Manager announced the motion passed by a roll-call vote, 5 – 0.

President Gonzales proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, Public Comments. There were none.

President Gonzales proceeded to the approval of the Consent Calendar. Director Rodriguez made the motion to approve the Consent Calendar and Director Ramirez seconded the motion. The General Manager announced the motion passed by roll-call vote, 5 – 0.

President Gonzales proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, Consider Approving the Agreement between the Pico Water District and the Water Replenishment District for Grant Funding provided under the Water Replenishment District's PFAS Remediation Program. The General Manager stated that he and Legal Counsel have resolved all issues with the Water Replenishment District's (WRD) Agreement (Agreement) under the PFAS Remediation Program (Program). He reviewed the staff report summary of the Agreement and the two types of funding through the Program, and the selection of a progress payment Funding Program the District will be utilizing. The General Manager also stated that this matter will be going before the WRD Board at a Special Meeting scheduled for Thursday, September 23, 2021. After a brief discussion Director Ramirez made the motion to approve the Agreement with WRD for the PFAS Remediation Program and Director Martinez seconded the motion. The General Manager announced that the motion passed by roll call vote, 5 – 0.

President Gonzales proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, Consider Approving Resolution No. 217-R a Resolution confirming the District's Financial Capability in connection with the Water Replenishment District's PFAS Remediation Program. The General Manager reviewed WRD's Program requirement that the District pass a resolution stating that the District

has the financial capability to complete all work for the new PFAS treatment facilities that is not covered by WRD's PFAS funding program. Director Martinez made the motion to approve Resolution 217-R and Director Ramirez seconded the motion. The General Manager announced that the motion passed by roll call vote, 5 – 0.

President Gonzales proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, Board Member Comments. There were none.

President Gonzales proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, Public Comments on Closed Session. There were none.

The Board retreated to closed session at 6:35 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 6:45 p.m.

Legal Counsel announced that pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 subdivision (d) (2) and (e) (3), conference with Legal Counsel regarding pending litigation in the matter of the claim by George Campos III dated August 18, 2021, the Board discussed the claim and no reportable action was taken.

President Gonzales proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, Action on Claim of George Campos III dated August 18, 2021. Director Rodriguez made the motion to reject the claim of George Campos III in the amount of \$1,250.34 and proceed with our insurance carrier JPIA's recommendation of a settlement in the amount of \$860.34. Director Rodriguez made the motion to deny and Director Ramirez seconded the motion. The General Manager announced that the motion passed by roll call vote, 5 – 0.

President Gonzales thanked the Board, the General Manager and Legal Counsel for their work to approve the Agreement for the PFAS Remediation Program. The General Manager stated that once he receives word of WRD's Board's action regarding this matter he will let all Board members know. Director Martinez stated that he would like to see an article informing the District's customers of the proactive actions to act on the PFAS issue. Director Rodriguez reiterated the same sentiment.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Board meeting adjourned at 6:51 p.m.



David R. Gonzales, President

Attest:



Mark J. Grajeda, Secretary

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