



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, December 6, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

The District's General Manager, Mr. Joe D. Basulto proceeded with the roll call of the attending Board members. Present from the beginning of the meeting was, Director David Angelo, Director David Gonzales, Director Victor Caballero, Vice President Raymond Rodriguez, President Pete Ramirez and Mr. Jim Ciampa, Legal Counsel for the District.

Director David Gonzales led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance. Director Victor Caballero gave the invocation. The Board observed a moment of silence in honor of the attack on Peral Harbor on December 7, 1941 and the sailors, soldiers and civilians that died.

President Pete Ramirez proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, Public Comments. No public comments at the time.

President Pete Ramirez proceeded to the adoption of the Agenda. Director Victor Caballero made the motion to adopt and Director David Angelo seconded the motion. The General Manager announced that the motion passed by roll-call vote, 5 – 0.

President Pete Ramirez proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, approval of Consent Calendar. Director David Gonzales made the motion to adopt and Vice President Raymond Rodriguez seconded the motion. The General Manager announced that the motion passed by roll-call vote, 5–0.

President Pete Ramirez proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, Action/ Discussion Items. Action Item A. Consider Board Approval of 2023 Water Master Plan Historical Data (2011-2020); Presentation by Civiltec Engineering. The General Manager present a power point presentation of a 10 year Capital Improvement Program. The Board, General Manager and Greta Ochoa from Civiltec discussed what questions the Board had regarding the 10-year Capital Improvement Program. Director David Gonzales made the motion to adopt and Vice President Raymond Rodriguez seconded the motion. The General Manager announced that the motion passed by roll-call vote, 5 – 0.

President Pete Ramirez proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, General Manager's Report. The General Manager reported that there was a Staff Monthly Meeting held last Thursday,

November 30<sup>th</sup> to review of the schedule of work for the Month of December. There were 15 residential turn offs for non-payment, 3 are still pending and only 1 turn off for non-payment for commercials that was restored the same day. Field staff encountered some minor leaks which have been repaired.

President Pete Ramirez proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, Legal Counsel Report. Legal Counsel, Jim Ciampa reported that the court granted the stipulation to continue the trial in the case with City of Pico Rivera so the new trial date is April 8, 2024, that was continued from January 10<sup>th</sup>. The mandatory settlement conference is now set for Thursday, February 15, 2024. Matt Perro and Legal Counsel, Jim Ciampa are meeting with General Manager Joe Basulto and Steve Bucknam on Thursday, December 7, 2023 at 11 o'clock in the morning. The meeting will be about reviewing expert witness testimony and move forward with trial preparations.

President Pete Ramirez proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, Informational Items. The General Manager reported on information item A. the PFAS Project, the contractor RC Foster, completed the paving at the sites. The pending work is the electrical work at the sites. We are in the process of updating the Tesco System, which are telemetry system controllers that need to be updated to accommodate the controls of the treatment system. The General Manager is currently coordinating with RC Foster's electrician and the Tesco electrician. The status for permits to operate is that comments have been received from DDW and are now reviewing and addressing their comments. The General Manager is working with AKM on that response. The Board of Director were presented with the updated progress of the well sites in pictures.

President Pete Ramirez proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, Future Agenda Items. There were none at this time.

President Pete Ramirez proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, Board Member Comments. Director David Gonzales had a comment regarding an ongoing court case that started in 2021 and complimented Legal Counsel, Jim Ciampa for his representation on behalf of the District.

President Pete Ramirez proceeded to the next item on the Agenda, Closed Session. No Closed session was held.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Board meeting adjourned at 6:21 p.m. Next Meeting to be held on December 20, 2023 at 5:30pm.

  
Elpidio Ramirez, President

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Joe D. Basulto, Secretary  
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