



**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
PICO WATER DISTRICT  
PUBLIC HEARING**

Pico Park Community Center  
9528 Beverly Bl. Pico Rivera, Ca. 90660

**5:30 PM Thursday, February 15, 2024**

**AGENDA**

Any member of the public may attend this meeting in person or by accessing the Zoom link below. Any member of the public wishing to make any comments to the Board may do so through that Zoom link. The meeting Chair will acknowledge such individual(s) at the appropriate time in the meeting prior to making his or her comment. Members of the public wishing to make a comment are asked to state their name for the record and will be provided three (3) minutes to comment, the Board secretary will alert those commenting when they only have 30 seconds remaining. All members of the public will be disconnected from the Zoom link immediately before the Board of Directors adjourns into Closed Session.

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1. **ROLL CALL.**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE.**
3. **INVOCATION.**

**4. PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING PROPOSED ADJUSTMENTS TO PICO WATER DISTRICT RATES AND CHARGES AND POSSIBLE ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 65 INCREASING WATER RATES AND METER CHARGES FOR WATER SERVICE BY 35% ON MARCH 01, 2024, 20% ON JANUARY 01, 2025 AND 12% ON EACH OF JANUARY 01, 2026, JANUARY 01, 2027, AND JANUARY 01, 2028.**

- A. Open Public Hearing.
- B. Review the Rules of the Public Hearing Process by Jim Ciampa, District Legal Counsel.
- C. Presentation by Mr. Sanjay Gaur of Water Resources Economics, water rate consultant, and District General Manager, Joe D. Basulto, reviewing District financial information and documentation concerning the need to increase rates.
- D. Board member questions and comments.
- E. Public comment regarding proposed water rate increase.
- F. Close public comment period.
- G. Further Board member questions and comments.
- H. Final submission of written protests
- I. Close public hearing.
- J. Determination of whether majority protest exists.

**5. ACTION ITEMS.**

- A. Consideration to adopt Ordinance No. 65, an Ordinance increasing water rates and meter charges for water service to be effective on or about March 01, 2024 and to be implemented for the first full billing cycle after that date; and to further increase such water rates by twenty percent (20%), to be effective after January 01, 2025, and twelve percent (12%) charges annually on each of January 01, 2026, January 01, 2027, and January 01, 2028, *Recommended action – that the Board approve Ordinance 65 increasing water rates and meter charges at proposed rate, as determined in the Board’s discretion, subject to limitations imposed by Proposition 218.*

**6. ADJOURNMENT.**

**AGENDA POSTED ON:** February 13, 2024

**Next regularly scheduled meeting:** February 21, 2024

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