

EL DORADO HILLS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

SEVEN HUNDRED SIXTY SEVENTH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thursday, October 19, 2017

6:00 p.m.

District Office, 1050 Wilson Boulevard, El Dorado Hills, CA 95762

I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Hartley called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and Finance Assistant Selling led the Pledge of Allegiance. Directors in attendance: Durante, Giraud, Hartley, Hus, and Winn. Director Winn attended via teleconference. Staff in attendance: Chief Roberts and Director of Finance Braddock. Counsel Cook was also in attendance.

President Hartley requested that **Item V-A and Item VI-B.1** be moved on the agenda after **Item X. Old Business** and the Board concurred.

II. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Approve Minutes of the 766th Board meeting held September 21, 2017
- B. Approve Financial Statements for September 2017

Director Durante made a motion to approve the consent calendar, seconded by Director Giraud and unanimously carried.

III. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

- A. EDH Professional Firefighters – None
- B. EDH Firefighters Association – None
- C. Latrobe Advisory Committee – None
- D. Public Comment – None

IV. CORRESPONDENCE – None

V. ATTORNEY ITEMS

- A. Closed Session; Conference with legal counsel pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(2); Pending Litigation; One Potential Matter.

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Administrative Committee (Directors Durante and Hartley) – No report.
- B. Finance Committee (Directors Giraud and Winn) – No report.
 - 1. Closed Session: Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6, conference with labor negotiations; items under negotiation: Memorandum of Understanding with the El Dorado Hills Professional Firefighters; Consideration of adjustment to, or consolidation of, Firefighter 1 and 2 ranks; District negotiators are Directors Giraud and Winn or designated alternate
- C. Ad Hoc Committee Reports
 - 1. Strategic Planning Committee (Directors Hus and Giraud)

- a. **Review and discuss draft Nexus Study; provide staff and consultant direction and set for noticed public hearing at the Regular December Board Meeting** – Chief Roberts stated that the committee met with the SCI representative and the Directors comments were incorporated into the Draft Nexus Study. Director Hus expressed his concerns about the methodology used in the study and encouraged the Board not to accept the draft study as it is written.

Tim White, resident, stated that, considering recent fires in California, the amount that residents pay in taxes for fire protection is money well spent.

Staff was directed to post a notice for a public hearing at the Regular December Board Meeting.

2. **Communications Committee (Directors Durante and Winn)** – Counsel Cook asked that either Staff or the Communications Committee provide documentation justifying the amount that was used in the Nexus Study for dispatch improvements.
3. **Training Facility Committee (Directors Hartley and Durante)** – No Report.
4. **CSD/Fire Collaboration Committee (Directors Giraudo and Durante)** – No report.
5. **Station 91 Building Committee (Directors Durante and Giraudo)**
 - a. **Review and award contractor’s bid for Station 91 remodel** – Chief Roberts stated that the final bid was received and Staff will need to verify that it included prevailing wage. He recommended that the item be assigned back to committee to give staff time to verify the bid. The Board agreed to schedule a committee meeting and hold a Special Meeting shortly after to award the bid.
6. **Cameron Park CSD/EDH Fire Collaboration Committee (Directors Durante and Hartley)** – No report.

VII. OPERATIONS REPORT

- A. **Operations Report (Receive and file)**
- B. **Review and update regarding Joint Powers Authority** – Chief Roberts stated that they are beginning to work again on the fixed rate contract.

VIII. FISCAL ITEMS

- A. **Discuss budget impact of revised Station 91 remodel costs** – Director of Finance Braddock explained that \$200,000 dollars is budgeted for the Station 91 remodel and any additional cost will likely be covered by savings in other areas

alleviating the need for a budget amendment.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Public Hearing: The District will consider adoption of a resolution or resolutions to approve the District's receipt of a transfer of fiscal year 2015-16 general fund base property tax revenue in the amount of \$256,651, from El Dorado County to District, as authorized by California Revenue and Taxation Code Section 99.02 et seq. effective for the 2016-17 fiscal year and for subsequent fiscal years**
(This will be continued to the November 16, 2017 meeting)

Director Hartley made a motion to continue Item IX-A to the November 16, 2017 meeting, seconded by Director Durante, and unanimously carried.

- B. Public Hearing: The District will consider an Ordinance to adjust the per meeting compensation provided to Directors**
- 1. Review and approve Ordinance 2017-29 Fixing the Compensation of Directors of the Board** – Counsel Cook asked the Board to vote on an adjustment amount for Directors compensation and approval of Ordinance 2017-29.

Tim White, resident, encouraged the Board to leave the Directors compensation at \$100 per meeting.

Director Hus stated that considering the upcoming increases in PERS costs and the unfunded liabilities of the Department he would recommend that the Board forgo an increase in Directors compensation or eliminate the compensation altogether. The Board elected not to adopt Ordinance 2017-29 leaving the Directors Compensation at \$100 per meeting.

- C. Review and approve the extension of the Administrative Battalion Chief position** – Chief Roberts asked that the Board extend the Administrative Battalion Chief position due to the unexpected retirement of Battalion Chief Hasemeier and the current high demand on the Administrative Battalion Chief. He added that the fiscal impact is expected to be minimal since that position is budgeted through the remainder of the fiscal year and most of the overtime generated by the vacancy will be offset by the retirement of Battalion Chief Hasemeier.

Director Giraud made a motion to approve the extension of the Administrative Battalion Chief position to the end of the fiscal year, seconded by Director Winn, and unanimously carried.

D. Review and Approve Resolution 2017-30 in Appreciation of Retired Battalion Chief Russ Hasemeier

Director Durante made a motion to approve Resolution 2017-30 in Appreciation of Retired Battalion Chief Russ Hasemeier, seconded by Director Giraudo, and unanimously carried. (Roll Call: Ayes:5; Noes:0)

E. Review and approve strike team reimbursement to Fire Chief David Roberts
– Chief Roberts explained that due to the amount of resources deployed for fires across California, there was a need for him act as a Task Force Leader on a 57-hour assignment and requested reimbursement.

Tim White, resident, asked if the Department would be reimbursed by OES for the additional required pension contributions and Director of Finance Braddock explained that overtime is not pensionable and the required contributions would not be affected.

Director Winn made a motion to approve strike team reimbursement to Fire Chief David Roberts, seconded by Director Durante, and unanimously carried.

The Board adjourned to discuss Closed Session Item VI-A at 7:58 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 8:07 p.m. The Board took no action during closed session. Director Winn left the meeting at 8:07 p.m.

X. OLD BUSINESS – None

XI. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

A. Directors – None.

B. Staff – Chief Roberts informed the Board that Prop 90 is up for evaluation on the Board of Supervisors agenda. He added that Bass Lake North project is moving forward and Don Ashton is going to recommend the County reduce our TRA from 19.1 to 17.4 cents so the county feels supported and anticipates that will be coming to the Board. Director Hus added that he sent correspondence to the Board of Supervisors opposing Prop 90.

C. Schedule upcoming committee meetings – The Board scheduled a Special Meeting for Thursday, October 26, 2017, at 4:00 p.m.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Director Giraudo made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Director Durante, and unanimously carried.

The meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Approved:

Jim Hartley, President

Jessica Braddock, Board Secretary