

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 20
HELD AT THE ANTELOPE VALLEY TRANIST AUTHORITY

September 10, 2024
1:00 o'clock, P.M.

The Board of Directors of County Sanitation District No. 20 of Los Angeles County met in regular session.

There were present: Laura Bettencourt, Director from Palmdale
Kathryn Barger, Alternate Director from Los Angeles County
Austin Bishop, Chairperson, Director from Palmdale

Absent: None

Also present: Kimberly S. Christensen, Secretary to the Board
Robert Ferrante, Chief Engineer and General Manager
Brant Dveirin, District Counsel

During the District No. 14 meeting, Mr. Marvin Crist, City of Lancaster, called upon the Chairperson to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

During the District No. 14 meeting, in accordance with the Brown Act, the Secretary made the announcement that in accordance with the disclosure requirements of Government Code Section 54952.3, each member of the Districts' Boards of Directors meeting today is entitled to receive compensation in the amount of \$125 for each meeting attended.

RE: PUBLIC COMMENT
The Chairperson announced this was the time for any questions or comments by members of the public. There were no public comments or questions to address to Board on any matters.

RE: MINUTES
Upon motion of Director Bettencourt, duly seconded and unanimously carried, the minutes of the adjourned regular meeting held July 11, 2024, were approved.

RE: DISTRICT EXPENSES
The following expenses for the months of May, June, and July 2024, were presented and upon motion of Director Bettencourt, duly seconded and unanimously carried, were approved:

Local District Expenses:	
Operations & Maintenance	\$3,266,642
Capital	1,893,707
Legal	2,201
Allocated Expenses:	
Joint Administration	282,953
Technical Support	367,638
Legal	9,494
Total Expenses	<u>\$5,822,635</u>

RE: SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT - SOLAR AND ENERGY STORAGE PROJECT AT PALMDALE WATER RECLAMATION PLANT AMENDED AND RESTATED ENERGY SERVICES AGREEMENT AND LEASE AGREEMENT PACIFICO POWER PALMDALE 01 LLC CONTRACT NOS. 5605A AND 5657 - APPROVE

The Chief Engineer and General Manager advised that in February 2024 the District entered into an Energy Services Agreement with Pacifico Power Palmdale 01 LLC (Pacifico) to design, finance, build, operate and maintain a 4-megawatt photovoltaic solar system with battery storage to be located on land owned by Los Angeles World Airports. The District was to pay a fixed rate of \$0.092/kWh for electricity generated by the system throughout a term of 25 years with an optional 5-year extension. The system is now proposed on District's property with a reduced electricity cost of \$0.090/kWh and an estimated potential \$14,700,000 savings over the *Amended and Restated Energy Services Agreement's* (Agreement) term. The Agreement reflects the change in location and pricing. The *Lease Agreement* (Lease) term is coincident with the Agreement and requires annual rent payments of \$1. The Lease grants Pacifico the exclusive use of 14.2 acres for the construction and operation of the system and the non-exclusive use of 6.6 acres for electrical appurtenances and access routes at the

Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant (WRP). Staff has determined that the project is exempt or otherwise not subject to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations (“CEQA Guidelines”) Section 15303. This item is consistent with the Districts’ Guiding Principle to maximize use of our assets and resources (recycled water, recyclables, and energy). A recommendation was made to approve and order executed an Agreement and Lease with Pacifico for the solar and energy storage project at the Palmdale WRP.

The Chairperson and Director Bettencourt both expressed their pleasure at saving so much money and stated that District staff did a good job.

Upon motion of Director Bettencourt, duly seconded and unanimously carried, an amendment to the agreement entered into with Pacifico Power Palmdale 01 LLC, Contract No. 5605 dated February 8, 2024, providing for a reduced electricity cost of \$0.090/kWh, as set forth therein, was approved. All the terms and conditions of the *Amended and Restated Energy Services Agreement*, Contract No. 5605A, dated October 10, 2024, were accepted and approved, and the Chairperson and Secretary were authorized to execute the Amendment on behalf of the District. Furthermore, the Board of Directors of County Sanitation District No. 20 of Los Angeles County found and determined that it would be to the advantage of the District to enter into a *Lease Agreement* with Pacifico Power Palmdale 01 LLC providing for the exclusive use of 14.2 acres for the construction and operation of the system and the non-exclusive use of 6.6 acres for electrical appurtenances and access routes at the Palmdale Water Reclamation Plant, as set forth in the Agreement and under terms and conditions contained therein. All the terms and conditions of the *Lease Agreement*, Contract No. 5657, dated October 10, 2024, were accepted and approved, and the Chairperson and Secretary were authorized to execute the Agreement on behalf of the District.

The meeting was adjourned by the Chairperson.

ATTEST:

AUSTIN BISHOP
Chairperson

KIMBERLY S. CHRISTENSEN
Secretary

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