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NOTICE OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOVEMBER 19, 2024 5:30 P.M. DISTRICT BOARD ROOM

AGENDA

"Pursuant to Government Code section § 54957.5, any materials relating to an open session item on this agenda, distributed to the Board of Directors after the distribution of the agenda packet, will be made available for public inspection at the time of distribution at the following location: West Kern Water District, 800 Kern Street, Taft, CA."

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. FLAG SALUTE

III. ROLL CALL/DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

IV. CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENTS

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public Comment to address any subject of District business which may not be on the Agenda. Comments may be limited to three (3) minutes per person.

VI. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING: APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda is to be approved as presented, subject to review by the Board. The Board may change the order in which agenda items are discussed to accommodate scheduling or other needs of the Board, the public or meeting participants. Members of the public are encouraged to arrive at the commencement of the meeting to ensure that they are present for Board discussion of all items in which they are interested. The Board may add items to the agenda only as provided by Government Code section 54954.2.

VII. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. October 22, 2024 Regular Board Meeting

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

Items listed on the Consent Agenda are routine and non-controversial by staff and will be approved by one motion if no member of the Board or public wishes to comment or ask questions. If a comment or discussion is desired by anyone, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered in the listed sequence with an opportunity for any member of the public to address the Board concerning the item before action is taken.

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i. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
District's Training Report

ii. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Operations Department Review

iii. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Cash Flow for October 2024

iv. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Capital Improvement Budget Comparison and Equipment Procurement

IX. DISCUSSION & APPROVAL OF ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. WATER RESOURCES COMMITTEE.....11/12/24
(Wells, Bravo)

1. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Water Supply Report

2. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
General Manager Report

B. ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE.....11/12/24
(Jameson, Bravo)

1. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Resolution 24-03 – Authorizing the Filing of Pre-Application with the County of Kern, Planning and Natural Resources Department for a Community Development Block Grant FY 2025-2026, South Taft Water System Improvements Phase VI
(Roll Call)

2. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Retaining Woodard & Curran to provide continued Basin-wide coordination and technical support for 2024-2025 and prepare 2025 Annual Report for the West Kern - GSA

C. FACILITIES DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE.....11/13/24
(Jameson, Niblett)

1. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Well NW3 Repair, Job #24-6500

2. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
South Taft Water Improvements Phase VI – File Notice of Exemption

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3. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
North Well Field Mowing Services, Job #25-4600
Sazama Construction - Notice of Completion

D. FINANCE COMMITTEE.....11/14/24
(Morris, Niblett)

1. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Accounts Payable for November, 2024

2. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
Approve/Delay Water Rate Increase for 2025

E. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE.....11/13/24
(Wells, Morris)

No items to discuss.

XI. INFORMATION ITEMS

No items to discuss.

XII. ISSUES OF CONCERN

A. DECEMBER 2024 MEETING CALENDAR
Review meeting calendar

B. POTENTIAL ISSUES TO BE ADDRESSED AT NEXT BOARD MEETING
Determination of potential topics to be addressed at next meeting

C. BOARD OF DIRECTOR ANNOUNCEMENTS OR REPORTS
Directors may report on their activities during the month

D. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT
General Manager may give a report on current issues

E. MANAGEMENT STAFF REPORT
Oral Presentation may be made

F. KERN NON-DISTRICTED LAND AUTHORITY
General Manager will report on current issues

G. ATTORNEY REPORT
Oral Presentation may be made

XIII. CLOSED SESSION

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1. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
   Government Code, § 54956.9(d)(1)
   Conference with Legal Counsel
   Existing Litigation: 2 Cases

   A. Rosedale-Rio Bravo WSD et al. v. KCWA et. al.;
      Kern county Superior Court Case No. BCV-21-10418

   B. Kern Water Bank Authority vs. Kern Local Agency Formation Commission
      Kern County Superior Court Case No. BCV-21-101310

2. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
   Government Code, § 54956.9(d)(4)
   Conference with Legal Counsel
   Potential Litigation: 1 Case

3. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
   Government Code, § 54956.9(d)(2)
   Conference with Legal Counsel
   Potential Litigation: 1 Case

4. Discussion and Appropriate Action Regarding:
   Government Code, § 54957
   Public Employment
   Title: Director of Finance

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

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