

Minutes

Sacramento Suburban Water District

Finance and Audit Committee

Tuesday, June 16, 2020

Location:

Video and Audio Conference Only at 1-669-900-6833, or Zoom at Meeting Id #895 5542 4074

Call to Order – Videoconference/Audioconference Meeting

Chair Thomas called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

Roll Call

Directors Present: Kevin Thomas and Robert Wichert.

Directors Absent: None.

Staff Present: General Manager Dan York, Director of Finance and Administration Jeff Ott, Assistant General Manager Mike Huot, Heather Hernandez-Fort, and Lynn Pham.

Public Present: None.

Announcements

None.

Public Comment

None.

Consent Items

1. Minutes of the May 21, 2020 Finance and Audit Committee Meeting

Chair Thomas approved the minutes of the May 21, 2020, Finance and Audit Committee meeting.

AYES:	Thomas.	ABSTAINED:	Wichert.
NOES:		RECUSED:	
ABSENT:			

Items for Discussion and/or Action

2. Budget Policy PL – Fin 012

Jeff Ott (Mr. Ott) presented the staff report, reviewed the changes in the policy and answered clarifying questions.

Chair Thomas expressed he would like more time to thoroughly review the Policy after the meeting.

Director Wichert expressed he was comfortable enough to recommend full Board approval of the item, however he suggested holding another meeting of the Finance and Audit Committee so that Chair Thomas was able to review the Policy more thoroughly.

3. Water Service Rates, Fees, and Charges Setting Policy PL – Fin 009

Mr. Ott presented the staff report.

Director Wichert expressed there was Board discussion on this Policy regarding wages. He stated that he supported language in the Policy that ensured that the rates were not more than the constituents could afford.

Director Wichert recommended adding language to Attachment 1, section 200. C. number 6. where it states, “If it is determined by the Board of Directors that revenue generated exceeds planned expenditures (including planned reserve increases), rates can be adjusted downward by the Board of Directors,” he suggested including “contributions to reserves” as well.

Discussion ensued regarding different rate setting strategies.

Director Wichert expressed he was ok with removing item 7. under section 200. A. on Attachment 2.

Director Wichert recommended adding language to Attachment 2, section 200. C. number 7. where it states, “if it is determined by the Board of Directors that revenue generated exceeds planned expenditures, rates can be adjusted downward by the Board of Directors.” He suggested including “plus reserve contributions” as well.

Discussion ensued regarding cash based accounting and keeping consistent language.

The Committee agreed to hold another meeting of the Finance and Audit Committee before the July regular Board meeting.

Adjournment

Chair Thomas adjourned the meeting at 5:49 p.m.

Dan York
General Manager/Secretary
Sacramento Suburban Water District