

**ANTELOPE VALLEY AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, JULY 21, 2020
ANTELOPE VALLEY DISTRICT OFFICE
LANCASTER, CA**

Minutes

Board Members Present:

Marvin Crist, Chair, City of Lancaster
Austin Bishop, Vice Chair, City of Palmdale
Newton Chelette, Public Member
Howard Harris, Los Angeles County
Ron Hawkins, Los Angeles County
Steven Hofbauer, City of Palmdale
Ken Mann, City of Lancaster

Board Members Absent:

CALL TO ORDER

Chair **CRIST** called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. Chair **CRIST** waived the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken.

PUBLIC COMMENT

❖ None.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Agenda Item #1 – Approve Minutes from Regular Governing Board Meeting of June 16, 2020.

Upon Motion by **MANN**, seconded by **HARRIS**, and carried unanimously, the Board **Approved** Minutes from Regular Governing Board Meeting of June 16, 2020.

Agenda Item #2 – Monthly Grant Funding Summary. Receive and file.

Presenter: Bret Banks, Executive Director/APCO.

Upon Motion by **MANN** seconded by **HARRIS**, and carried unanimously, the Board **Received and Filed** Monthly Grand Funding Summary.

Agenda Item #3 – Monthly Activity Report. Receive and file.

Presenter: Bret Banks, Executive Director/APCO.

Upon Motion by **MANN**, seconded by **HARRIS**, and carried unanimously, the Board **Received and Filed** Monthly Activity Report.

Agenda Item #4 – 1) Authorize \$20,000 in Mobile Emission Reductions Program (AB 2766) funds to the Alternative Fuel Vehicle Program; and 2) Authorize the Executive Director/APCO and staff to execute the Alternative Fuel Vehicle Program as outlined in the Work Plan.

Presenter: Julie McKeehan, Grants Analyst.

Upon Motion by **MANN**, seconded by **HARRIS**, and carried unanimously, the Board, 1) **Authorized** \$20,000 in Mobile Emission Reductions Program (AB 2766) funds to the Alternative Fuel Vehicle Program; and 2)

Authorized the Executive Director/APCO and staff to execute the Alternative Fuel Vehicle Program as outlined in the Work Plan.

Agenda Item #5 – 1) Authorize the acceptance of Community Air Protection (CAP) Funds; 2) Accept the terms and conditions for the funds; and 3) Authorize the Executive Director/APCO and staff to execute the agreement, approved as to legal form, and to negotiate and execute agreements for eligible projects.

Presenter: Bret Banks, Executive Director/APCO.

Upon Motion by **MANN**, seconded by **HARRIS**, and carried unanimously, the Board, 1) **Authorized** the acceptance of Community Air Protection (CAP) Funds; 2) **Accepted** the terms and conditions for the funds; and 3) **Authorized** the Executive Director/APCO and staff to execute the agreement, approved as to legal form, and to negotiate and execute agreements for eligible projects.

Agenda Item #6 – Approve payments to MDAQMD in the amount of \$127,684.91 for May 2020.

Presenter: Bret Banks, Executive Director/APCO.

Upon Motion by **MANN**, seconded by **HARRIS**, and carried unanimously, the Board, **Approved** payments to MDAQMD in the amount of \$127,684.91 for May 2020.

Agenda Item #7 – Receive and file the Financial Report. The Financial Report is provided to the Governing Board for information concerning the fiscal status of the District at May 31, 2020. The Financial Reports for April provide financial and budget performance information for the District for the period referenced.

Presenter: Bret Banks, Executive Director/APCO.

Upon Motion by **MANN**, seconded by **HARRIS**, and carried unanimously, the Board, **Received and filed** the Financial Report. The Financial Report is provided to the Governing Board for information concerning the fiscal status of the District at May 31, 2020. The Financial Reports for April provide financial and budget performance information for the District for the period referenced.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

DEFERRED ITEMS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Agenda Item #8 – Conduct a public hearing to consider the adoption of the 70 ppb Ozone Standard Implementation Evaluation: RACT SIP Analysis; Federal Negative Declarations and Emission Statement Certification (70 ppb O3 Evaluation): a. Open public hearing; b. Receive staff report; c. Receive public testimony; d. Close public hearing; e. Make a determination that the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Categorical Exemption applies; f. Waive reading of Resolution; g. Adopt Resolution making appropriate findings, certifying the Notice of Exemption, adopting the 70 ppb O3 Evaluation and directing staff action.

Presenter: Barbara Lods, Operations Manager.

Chair Crist opened the public hearing. Barbara Lods, Operations Manager, presented the staff report and answered questions from the Board. Chair Crist called for public comment, being none, Chair Crist closed the public hearing. After discussion and upon motion by **HOFBAUER**, seconded by **BISHOP**, and carried with seven **AYES** votes by Board Members **AUSTIN BISHOP, MARVIN CRIST, NEWTON CHELETTE, HOWARD HARRIS, RON HAWKINS, STEVEN HOFBAUER and KEN MANN**, the Board **adopted** Resolution 20-08, “**A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY**

AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT MAKING FINDINGS, CERTIFYING THE NOTICE OF EXEMPTION, ADOPTING THE 70 PPB OZONE STANDARD IMPLEMENTATION EVALUATION: RACT SIP ANALYSIS; FEDERAL NEGATIVE DECLARATIONS AND, EMISSION STATEMENT CERTIFICATION (70 PPB O₃ EVALUATION) AND DIRECTING STAFF ACTIONS.”

Agenda Item #9 – 1) Award an amount not to exceed \$57,070 in District grant funds to I.M. Masonry Construction for the replacement of an older diesel forklift with new, cleaner technology; and 2) Authorize the Executive Director/APCO and staff to negotiate target time frames and technical project details, and execute an agreement, approved as to legal form by the Office of District Counsel.

Presenter: Julie McKeehan, Grants Analyst.

Julie McKeehan, Grants Analyst, presented the staff report and answered questions from the Board. After discussion and upon Motion by **HOFBAUER**, seconded by **HARRIS**, and carried unanimously with seven **AYES** votes by Board Members **AUSTIN BISHOP, MARVIN CRIST, NEWTON CHELETTE, HOWARD HARRIS, RON HAWKINS, STEVEN HOFBAUER and KEN MANN**, the Board, 1) **Awarded** an amount not to exceed \$57,070 in District grant funds to I.M. Masonry Construction for the replacement of an older diesel forklift with new, cleaner technology; and 2) **Authorized** the Executive Director/APCO and staff to negotiate target time frames and technical project details, and execute an agreement, approved as to legal form by the Office of District Counsel.

Agenda Item #10 – 1) Award \$146,252 in Mobile Source Emission Reductions Program (AB 923) funds to Pacific Coast Auto Recycling Center (PARC) toward the development of compressed natural gas (CNG) infrastructure; and 2) Authorize the Executive Director/APCO and staff to negotiate target time frames and technical project details and execute an agreement, approved as to legal form by the Office of District Counsel.

Presenter: Julie McKeehan, Grants Analyst.

Julie McKeehan, Grants Analyst, presented the staff report and answered questions from the Board. After discussion and upon Motion by **HARRIS**, seconded by **BISHOP**, and carried unanimously with seven **AYES** votes by Board Members **AUSTIN BISHOP, MARVIN CRIST, NEWTON CHELETTE, HOWARD HARRIS, RON HAWKINS, STEVEN HOFBAUER and KEN MANN**, the Board, 1) **Awarded** \$146,252 in Mobile Source Emission Reductions Program (AB 923) funds to Pacific Coast Auto Recycling Center (PARC) toward the development of compressed natural gas (CNG) infrastructure; and 2) **Authorized** the Executive Director/APCO and staff to negotiate target time frames and technical project details and execute an agreement, approved as to legal form by the Office of District Counsel.

Agenda Item #11 – Reports.

Governing Board Counsel –

- No report.

Executive Director/APCO –

- Informed the Board that the nomination paperwork for the annual William J. “Pete” Knight Memorial AIRE (Achievement in Reducing Emissions) Award will be advertised and distributed in August to seek nominations for the award. The AIRE Award will be presented at the September 2020 Board meeting.
- Informed the Board that the City of Palmdale has taken ownership of the SOUTH ANTELOPE VALLEY EMERGENCY SERVICES (SAVES) battery electric van from Adomani Electric. The SAVES Food Program provides emergency food to needy families who don’t qualify for food stamps, or are waiting for food stamps to be approved.

Staff –

- None.

Agenda Item #12 – Board Member Reports and Suggestions for Future Agenda Items.

- None.

Agenda Item #13 – Adjourn to Regular Governing Board Meeting of Tuesday, August 18, 2020.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m. to the next regularly scheduled Governing Board Meeting of Tuesday, August 18, 2020.

**ACTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD
APPROVED**

Upon motion by **HOWARD HARRIS**, seconded by **RON HAWKINS**, as approved by the following vote:

Ayes: 7 BISHOP, CRIST, CHELETTE, HARRIS, HAWKINS, HOFBAUER, MANN

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

DEANNA HERNANDEZ, SENIOR EXECUTIVE ANALYST

BY Deanna Hernandez

Dated: August 18, 2020