

**ANTELOPE VALLEY AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, JULY 19, 2022
ANTELOPE VALLEY TRANSIT AUTHORITY 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
Raj Mahli, City of Lancaster
Steven Hofbauer, City of Palmdale

CALL TO ORDER

Chair **CRIST** called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. Chair **CRIST** called for roll call, roll call was taken. Chair **CRIST** asked Board Member **HAWKINS** to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT

❖ Chair **CRIST** called for **PUBLIC COMMENT**. At this time, no public comment was made in person, or electronically, moved onto **CONSENT CALENDAR**.

CONSENT CALENDAR

CONSENT CALENDAR – The following consent items were acted upon by the Board at one time without discussion. Upon motion by Board Member **CHELETTE**, seconded by Board Member **BISHOP**, and carried by the following roll call vote, with six **AYES** votes by Board Members, **AUSTIN BISHOP**, **NEWTON CHELETTE**, **MARVIN CRIST**, **HOWARD HARRIS**, **RON HAWKINS**, and **RAJ MAHLI**, with Board Member **STEVEN HOFBAUER** absent, on the Consent Calendar, as follows:

Agenda Item #1 – Approve Minutes from Regular Governing Board Meeting of June 21, 2022.

Approved Minutes from Regular Governing Board Meeting of June 21, 2022.

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

Presenter: Bret Banks, Executive Director/APCO.

Received and Filed Monthly Grand Funding Summary.

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

Presenter: Bret Banks, Executive Director/APCO.

Received and Filed Monthly Activity Report.

Agenda Item #4 – Approve payment to MDAQMD in the amount of \$160,453.87 for May 2022 expenditures.

Presenter: Bret Banks, Executive Director/APCO.

Approved payment to MDAQMD in the amount of \$160,453.87 for May 2022 expenditures.

Agenda Item #5 – Receive and file the Financial Report. This Preliminary Financial Report is provided to the Governing Board for information concerning the fiscal status of the District at May 31, 2022. The Financial Reports for May 2022 provide financial and budgetary performance information for the District for the period referenced.

Presenter: Bret Banks, Executive Director/APCO.

Received and filed the Financial Report. This Preliminary Financial Report is provided to the Governing Board for information concerning the fiscal status of the District at May 31, 2022. The Financial Reports for May 2022 provide financial and budgetary performance information for the District for the period referenced.

Agenda Item #6 – Amend Governing Board Procedural Rules to reflect recent changes regarding the District Office location and Governing Board meeting location.

Presenter: Bret Banks, Executive Director/APCO.

Amended Governing Board Procedural Rules to reflect recent changes regarding the District Office location and Governing Board meeting location.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

DEFERRED ITEMS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Agenda Item #7 – Conduct a public hearing to consider the amendment of Regulation III – Fees; a. Open public hearing; b. Receive staff report; c. Receive public testimony; d. Close public hearing; e. Make a determination that the CEQA Categorical Exemption applies; f. Waive reading of Resolution; g. Adopt Resolution making appropriate findings, certifying the Notice of Exemption, amending the Rule and directing staff actions.

Presenter: Barbara Lods, Operations Manager.

Chair **CRIST** opened the public hearing. Barbara Lods, Operations Manager, presented the amendment to Regulation III - *Fees* and answered questions from the Board. Chair **CRIST** called for public comment, no public comment was made in person, or electronically, being none, Chair **CRIST** closed the public hearing. Upon motion by Board Member **HAWKINS**, seconded by Board Member **HARRIS**, and carried by the following roll call vote, with six **AYES** votes by Board Members **AUSTIN BISHOP, NEWTON CHELETTE, MARVIN CRIST, HOWARD HARRIS, RON HAWKINS, and RAJ MAHLI**, with board member **STEVEN HOFBAUER** absent, the Board, **adopted RESOLUTION 22-07, “A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT MAKING FINDINGS, CERTIFYING THE NOTICE OF EXEMPTION, AMENDING RULE 301 – PERMIT FEES AND DIRECTING STAFF ACTIONS.”**

Agenda Item #8 – Approve an Agreement between the Antelope Valley Air Quality Management District (AVAQMD) and the City of Lancaster to provide administrative and operations services; Authorize the Chairman to finalize terms and conditions of the proposed Agreement; and Authorize the Chairman to execute the final Agreement.

Presenter: Bret Banks, Executive Director/APCO.

Item pulled by the Governing Board.

Agenda Item #9– Reports.

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Governing Board Counsel –

- No report.

Executive Director/APCO –

- The district has expanded the Lawn and Garden program to year round with a soft opening.
- The district is reducing the Alternate Fuel Vehicle incentive from \$1000 to \$500 for electric vehicles from local dealerships.
- Sacramento Air District and CARB will be visiting for a tour of AVTA and Build Your Dreams

Staff –

- No report.

Agenda Item #10– Board Member Reports and Suggestions for Future Agenda Items.

- Chair CRIST questioned if there is a map of locations of Electric Charging Stations, Bret Banks responded that staff will bring an update to the Board in August

Agenda Item #11– Adjourn to Regular Governing Board Meeting of Tuesday, August 16, 2022.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:13 a.m. to the next regularly scheduled Governing Board Meeting of Tuesday, August 16, 2022.

**ACTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD
APPROVED**

Upon motion by **AUSTIN BISHOP**, seconded by **STEVEN HOFBAUER**, as approved by the following vote:

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

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

ADRIANNA CASTANEDA, EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

BY [Adrianna Castañeda](#)

Dated: August 16, 2022