

**ANTELOPE VALLEY AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 20, 2019
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
Raj Malhi, City of Lancaster

Board Members Absent:

Steven Hofbauer, City of Palmdale

CALL TO ORDER

Chair **CRIST** called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Chair **CRIST** asked Board Member Austin Bishop to lead the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken.

PUBLIC COMMENT

❖ None.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Agenda Item #1 – Approve Minutes from Regular Governing Board Meeting of July 16, 2019.

Upon Motion by **CHELETTE**, seconded by **BISHOP**, and carried unanimously, the Board **Approved** Minutes from Regular Governing Board Meeting of July 16, 2019.

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

Presenter: Bret Banks, Executive Director/APCO.

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

Agenda Item #4 – Approve payment to MDAQMD in the total amount of \$108,494.24, subject to availability of funds, for services provided during the month of June 2019.

Presenter: Bret Banks, Executive Director/APCO.

Upon Motion by **CHELETTE**, seconded by **BISHOP**, and carried unanimously, the Board, **approved** payment to MDAQMD in the total amount of \$108,494.24, subject to availability of funds, for services provided during the month of June 2019.

Agenda Item #5 – 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 June 30, 2019, which provides financial information and budget performance concerning the current fiscal status of the District.

Presenter: Bret Banks, Executive Director/APCO.

Upon Motion by **CHELETTE**, seconded by **BISHOP**, 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 June 30, 2019, which provides financial information and budget performance concerning the current fiscal status of the District.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

DEFERRED ITEMS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Agenda Item #6 – 1) Approve \$60,000 in Mobile Source Emissions Reduction Program (AB 923) funds and Carl Moyer Program administrative funds toward continued implementation of the District’s Voluntary Accelerated Vehicle Retirement Program (VAVR); and 2) Authorize an extended contract with Environmental Engineering Studies Incorporated (EES); and 3) Authorize the Deputy Director 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.

Grants Analyst Julie McKeehan presented the staff report and answered questions from the Board. After discussion and upon Motion by **HARRIS**, seconded by **CHELETTE**, and carried with six **AYES** votes by Board Members **MARVIN CRIST, AUSTIN BISHOP, NEWTON CHELETTE, HOWARD HARRIS, RON HAWKINS, and RAJ MALHI**, the Board, 1) **Approved** \$60,000 in Mobile Source Emissions Reduction Program (AB 923) funds and Carl Moyer Program administrative funds toward continued implementation of the District’s Voluntary Accelerated Vehicle Retirement Program (VAVR); and 2) **Authorized** an extended contract with Environmental Engineering Studies Incorporated (EES); and 3) **Authorized** the Deputy Director 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 #7 – 1) Authorize District staff to implement a pilot program in conjunction with Lancaster Choice Energy, to assist Antelope Valley low-income residents with the purchase of new or preowned all electric or plug-in electric hybrid vehicles; 2) Award \$75,000 in Community Air Protection (AB 617) funds to the pilot program; and 3) 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: Bret Banks, Executive Director/APCO.

Executive Director/APCO Bret Banks presented the staff report and answered questions from the Board. After discussion and upon Motion by **CHELETTE**, seconded by **HARRIS**, and carried with five **AYES** votes by Board Members **MARVIN CRIST, AUSTIN BISHOP, NEWTON CHELETTE, HOWARD HARRIS and RAJ MALJI**, with Board Member **RON HAWKINS** abstaining, the Board, 1) **Authorized** District staff to implement a pilot program in conjunction with Lancaster Choice Energy, to assist Antelope Valley low-income residents with the purchase of new or preowned all electric or plug-in electric hybrid vehicles; 2) **Awarded** \$75,000 in Community Air Protection (AB 617) funds to the pilot program; and 3) **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 #8 – Presentation: Reasonable Available Control Technology (RACT) Rule Development Update.

Presenter: Bret Banks, Executive Director/APCO.

Executive Director/APCO Bret Banks presented the Reasonable Available Control Technology (RACT) Rule Development Update.

No action required of the Board, this item was informational only.

Agenda Item #9 – Reports.

Governing Board Counsel –

- None.

Executive Director/APCO –

- Commented on the success of the City of Lancaster’s Neighborhood Impact Day held Saturday, August 3, 2019. The City of Lancaster’s IMPACT team volunteered their time alongside residents for IMPACT Community Day. A collaborative event which brought together more than 100 volunteers, and over 750 residents, Community IMPACT Days seek to improve and beautify various neighborhoods. The District provided battery electric lawn and garden equipment that allowed the various landscaping activities to occur air pollution free.
- Informed the Board that Congresswoman Katie Hill reached out to the District and will be visiting the District on Thursday, August 22, 2019 at 2 pm and extended an invitation for Board Members to attend.

Staff –

- None.

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

- None.

Agenda Item #11 – Adjourn to Regular Governing Board Meeting of Tuesday, September 17, 2019.

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m. to the next regularly scheduled Governing Board Meeting of Tuesday, September 17, 2019.

**ACTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD
APPROVED**

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

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

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

DEANNA HERNANDEZ, SENIOR EXECUTIVE ANALYST

BY *Deanna Hernandez*

Dated: September 17, 2019