

# CONFORMED AGENDA

## SPECIAL MEETING

GEORGETOWN DIVIDE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
6425 MAIN STREET, GEORGETOWN, CALIFORNIA

THURSDAY – MAY 28, 2015  
2:00 PM

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### MISSION STATEMENT

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It is the purpose of the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District to:

- Provide reliable water supplies
  - Ensure high quality drinking water
  - Promote stewardship to protect community resources, public health and quality of life
  - Provide excellent and responsive customer services through dedicated and valued staff
  - Insure fiscal responsibility and accountability are observed by balancing immediate and long term needs
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#### 1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

*Meeting was called to order at 2:10 PM. Directors present: Krizl, Hoelscher, Capraun, Uso. Staff present: General Manager Wendell Wall, Operations Manager Darrell Creeks, Assistant to GM Diana Michaelson. Legal Counsel: Barbara Brenner of Churchwell-White.*

#### 2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

##### A. Board Action –

*Motion by Director Uso to adopt agenda, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Director Hoelscher.*

*Public Comment: None.*

*Vote: Motion carries.*

*Ayes: Krizl, Hoelscher, Capraun, Uso*

*Absent: Hanschild*

- #### 3. PUBLIC FORUM –
- Any member of the public may address the Board on matters identified on this agenda and within the jurisdictional authority of the District. Public members desiring to provide comments must be recognized by the Board President, and speak from the podium. Comments must be directed only to the Board. The public should address the Board members during the public meetings as President, Vice President, or Director followed by the Board members individual last name. The Board will only hear communications on matters on the agenda.

No disruptive conduct shall be permitted at any Board meeting. Persistence in disruptive conduct shall be grounds for summary termination, by the President, of that person's privilege of address.

Johanna from Garden Valley spoke regarding the impact of rate increases on low income residents of the Divide and urged Staff and Directors to try harder to get grants for the ALT project.

Jennifer from Georgetown also requested that the District look into getting more grants.

#### **4. DISCUSSION ON LOAN AMOUNT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE AUBURN LAKE TRAILS (ALT) TREATMENT PLANT**

- A. Discussion** – This meeting is to discuss the amounts possible to borrow from the California Water Resources Control Board. Mary Fleming of Rural Community Assistance Corporation (RCAC) will be providing a PowerPoint presentation illustrating the borrowing of various amounts. Staff will be making a recommendation on loan amount.

*General Manager Wall presented a funding update, which had been requested at the last Board meeting. The estimated cost of the project as of May 2015 represents a 3.8% increase over the January 2015 cost estimate.*

*Mary Fleming of Rural Community Assistance Corporation (RCAC) provided a PowerPoint presentation illustrating the borrowing of \$9.0M, \$9.5M, and \$10.0M, how each amount would affect reserves and what the repayment of each option would look like.*

*Staff recommended applying for a loan of \$10M in order to maintain reserves.*

#### **B. Board Action –**

***Motion by Director Uso to apply for a loan of \$10M, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Director Krizl.***

***Public Comment:*** *Some members of the public urged the Board to repay the loan by applying a rate fee to customers based on consumption, and some members of the public urged the Board to repay the loan by applying a flat rate fee across the board to all customers.*

***Vote: Motion carries.***

*Ayes: Krizl, Hoelscher, Uso*

*Noes: Capraun.*

*Absent: Director Hanschild.*

***Motion by Director Uso to repay the loan with a flat rate pay increase, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Director Krizl.***

***Public Comment:*** *Director Capraun raised a concern about voting on a method of repayment when that was not included on the agenda. Ms. Brenner responded that the loan amount is directly related to how it will be paid back, that how it is described is not an issue, and that there has already been full discussion on the topic. Ray Kringle also objected to the motion because the method of repayment was not on the agenda. Director Krizl deferred to Counsel. Counsel stated that she had already rendered her opinion on this issue.*

***Vote: Motion fails.***

Ayes: Krizl, Uso  
Noes: Capraun, Hoelscher.  
Absent: Director Hanschild.

*Following the vote, Legal Counsel suggested that people who have other ideas on how the loan should be repaid should bring specific proposals with full explanation to the next meeting. Director Krizl asked that those with concrete ideas should submit them to himself and GM Wall via email in time to be included as an agenda item for the next meeting.*

**5. CLOSED SESSION**


- A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL** – Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6 to consider employee negotiations with the International Union of Operating Engineers Stationary Engineers, Local No. 39. The representatives for the district are Director Lon Uso and General Manager Wendell B. Wall.

*The Board returned to open session and announced that it had finalized negotiations with the International Organization of Stationary Engineers Local 39 and had come to an agreement on a Memorandum of Understanding.*

- 6. NEXT MEETING DATE AND ADJOURNMENT** – Next regular meeting June 9, 2015 at 2:00 PM at the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District Office.

*Meeting adjourned at 4:18 PM*

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Signed   
Wendell B. Wall, General Manager

Date July 15, 2015