



AGENDA
ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20, 2024 - 9:00 AM
1391 Engineer Street, Vista, CA 92081
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- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. ROLL CALL – DETERMINATION OF QUORUM**
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

4. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AGENDA

In the case of an emergency, items may be added to the Agenda by a majority vote of the Board of Directors. An emergency is defined as a work stoppage, a crippling disaster, or other activity that severely imperils public health, safety, or both. Also, items that arise after the posting of the Agenda may be added by a 2/3 vote of the Board. Items on the agenda may be taken out of sequential order as their priority is determined by the Board of Directors. The Board may take action on any item appearing on the agenda.

5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Members of the public may address the Board on items not appearing on the posted agenda, which are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. Speakers are asked to limit their comments to five (5) minutes; the total time allowable for all public comment on items not appearing on the agenda at any one meeting may be limited. Comments on items listed on the agenda will be taken before or during discussion of the agenda item. Members of the public desiring to address the Board are asked to complete a speaker's slip available on the table near the entrance of the Boardroom and present it to the Board Secretary prior to the meeting.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

Any member of the Board, staff or public may request that items from the Consent Calendar be removed for discussion. Items so removed shall be acted upon separately immediately following approval of items remaining on the Consent Calendar.

A. Minutes of the Board of Directors meeting on March 6, 2024

Recommendation: Approval of draft minutes.

B. Ratification of check disbursements

Recommendation: Adopt a resolution ratifying checks numbered 74269 through 74352 in the amount of \$798,877.89 pursuant to the cash disbursement report detailing expenditures.

7. RESOLUTION HONORING RETIRING VISTA IRRIGATION DISTRICT EMPLOYEE MARK MEZA

Recommendation: Adopt Resolution No. 2024-XX honoring Mark Meza for 20 years of service to the District and its customers.

8. WARNER RANCH WORKING GROUP

Recommendations: 1) Consider request to create a working group comprised of representatives from Vista Irrigation District, City of Escondido and San Luis Rey Indian Water Authority to explore stewardship opportunities on the Warner Ranch; and 2) Select an ad hoc committee to represent the Vista Irrigation District, if the decision is to create a working group.

9. LAKE HENSHAW/WARNER RANCH INSPECTION TOUR

Recommendation: Schedule a Board inspection tour to Lake Henshaw and the Warner Ranch.

10. BOARD OF DIRECTORS' COMPENSATION

Recommendation: Review Board of Directors' compensation and consider setting public hearing for the purpose of receiving comments on a revision to the District ordinance setting compensation for Board Directors.

11. MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE ACTIVITIES OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY

Informational report by staff and Directors concerning the San Diego County Water Authority.

12. MEETINGS AND EVENTS

A. Reports on meetings and events attended by Directors

B. Schedule of upcoming meetings and events

13. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS AND/OR PRESS RELEASES

This item is placed on the agenda to enable the Board to identify and schedule future items for discussion at upcoming Board meetings and/or identify press release opportunities.

14. COMMENTS BY DIRECTORS

This item is placed on the agenda to enable individual Board members to convey information to the Board and the public not requiring discussion or action.

15. COMMENTS BY GENERAL COUNSEL

Informational report by the General Counsel on items not requiring discussion or action.

16. COMMENTS BY GENERAL MANAGER

Informational report by the General Manager on items not requiring discussion or action.

17. ADJOURNMENT

- *The agenda package and materials related to an agenda item submitted after the packet's distribution to the Board are available for public review in the lobby of the District office during normal business hours.*
- *Agendas and minutes are available at www.vidwater.org.*
- *VID Board meetings are generally held on the first and third Wednesday of each month.*

AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING

I, Ramee Ogilvie, Board Secretary of the Vista Irrigation District, hereby certify that I posted a copy of the foregoing agenda outside the lobby of the District office at 1391 Engineer Street, Vista, California at least 72 hours prior to the meeting, in accordance with Govt. Code Sec. 54954.2(a).

Date: March 14, 2024


Ramee Ogilvie, Board Secretary



STAFF REPORT

Agenda Item: 6

Board Meeting Date:

March 20, 2024

Prepared By:

Ramae Ogilvie

SUBJECT: CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Minutes of the Board of Directors meeting on March 6, 2024
- B. Ratification of check disbursements

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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
VISTA IRRIGATION DISTRICT

March 6, 2024

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of Vista Irrigation District was held on Wednesday, March 6, 2024 at the offices of the District, 1391 Engineer Street, Vista, California.

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Vásquez called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Directors present: Miller, Vásquez, Kuchinsky, Sanchez, and MacKenzie.

Directors absent: None.

Staff present: Brett Hodgkiss, General Manager; Ramae Ogilvie, Secretary of the Board; Lesley Dobalian, Director of Water Resources; Randy Whitmann, Director of Engineering; Frank Wolinski, Director of Operations and Field Services; and Shallako Goodrick, Director of Administration. General Counsel Elizabeth Mitchell of Burke, Williams & Sorensen was also present.

Other attendees: Steve Tester, Oscar Chavez and Luis Ramos of Vista Irrigation District and Andrew Corral of the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) Joint Powers Insurance Agency (JPIA) were present for Item 7. LaVonne Peck of the San Luis Rey Indian Water Authority was present via teleconference. Special Counsel Scott Morris of Kronick joined the meeting via teleconference for Item 18.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Kuchinsky led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

24-03-29	<i>Upon motion by Director MacKenzie, seconded by Director Kuchinsky and unanimously carried (5 ayes: Miller, Kuchinsky, Sanchez, MacKenzie, and Vásquez), the Board of Directors approved the agenda as presented.</i>
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5. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

No public comments were presented on items not appearing on the agenda.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

General Manager Brett Hodgkiss provided clarification regarding specific line items in Consent Calendar Item 6.B, Resolution ratifying check disbursements.

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24-03-30	<i>Upon motion by Director Kuchinsky, seconded by Director MacKenzie and unanimously carried (5 ayes: Miller, Kuchinsky, Sanchez, MacKenzie, and Vásquez), the Board of Directors approved the Consent Calendar, including Resolution No. 2024-11 approving disbursements.</i>
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A. Minutes of Board of Directors meeting on February 20, 2024

The minutes of February 20, 2024 were approved as presented.

B. Resolution ratifying check disbursements

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-11

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of Vista Irrigation District does hereby approve checks numbered 74163 through 74268 drawn on US Bank totaling \$2,141,667.05.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Directors does hereby authorize the execution of the checks by the appropriate officers of the District.

PASSED AND ADOPTED unanimously by a roll call vote of the Board of Directors of Vista Irrigation District this 6th day of March 2024.

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7. SAFETY AWARDS PROGRAM

See staff report attached hereto.

Safety and Risk Administrator Cynthia Perez provided a brief overview of the safety awards program and introduced Equipment Operator Oscar Chavez, Utility Worker Luis Ramos and Senior Equipment Mechanic Steve Tester as recipients of a 2023 ACWA JPIA H.R. LaBounty Safety Award. Ms. Perez introduced ACWA JPIA Senior Risk Control Advisor, Andrew Corral, who provided details regarding the H.R. LaBounty Safety Awards Program (Program) using a PowerPoint presentation (attached hereto as Exhibit A) and a handout (attached hereto as Exhibit B). He said that the Program's goal is to recognize employees for ideas that foster proactive risk reduction and promote a safety culture that reduces the potential for injury and losses. Mr. Corral congratulated Oscar, Luis and Steve on their submission and thanked the Board for their time.

Mr. Chavez and Mr. Tester presented their award winning truck bed design, eliminating the need to stoop/bend or climb into the back of the truck to access valve lids. The Board congratulated Oscar, Luis and Steve on their ingenuity and expressed their gratitude for their commitment to ensuring a safe work environment for themselves and other employees.

The Board thanked Mr. Corral for his presentation.

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8. DIVISION REPORTS

See staff report attached hereto.

General Manager Brett Hodgkiss said that Lake Henshaw is at about 25,600 acre-feet.

Director of Water Resources Lesley Dobalian provided an update on a meeting with City of San Diego staff regarding the oxygenation system at Lake Hodges. She said that the data has shown that the oxygenation system has reduced nutrient levels, increased oxygen levels and decreased algal blooms.

Customer Service Supervisor Breona Paz said that the San Diego County Water Authority (Water Authority) coordinates promotion of WaterSmart Landscape Makeover Workshops; the District promotes the workshop to its customers through messaging on its website and water bills.

Director of Engineering Randy Whitmann stated that Edgehill (E) Reservoir Replacement and Pump Station's entire roof and exposed walls of the tank would be stained to blend in with the surroundings and landscaping would be installed.

Director of Operations and Field Services Frank Wolinski provided an update on the fence posts and panel repairs that were made at the flow control facility located at Anza Avenue and E. Bobier Drive in the City of Vista.

9. FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023

See staff report attached hereto.

Director of Administration Shallako Goodrick presented the Financial Report for the six months ended December 31, 2023 stating that overall the District experienced a \$5.1 million operating gain, which is an increase from the \$7.9 million operating loss for the same six-month period in the previous year. She stated that the difference is primarily attributable to the District having no costs associated with the San Pasqual Undergrounding Project during the first six months of fiscal year 2024 (versus approximately \$9.0 million during the same six-month period in fiscal year 2023). She highlighted noteworthy items in the report and provided clarification as needed.

10. LEAK ADJUSTMENT POLICY

See staff report attached hereto.

Customer Service Supervisor Breona Paz provided an overview of the process staff used in preparing the Leak Adjustment Policy, including a survey of local water agencies and cities to determine how many had policies in place. She summarized the key provisions contained in the proposed Leak Adjustment Policy and reviewed the Leak Adjustment Request Form. After a brief discussion, the Board suggested the following changes:

- 1) Item E of Section 2.4.3 of the Leak Adjustment Policy should be changed to read: The customer has maintained the account for a minimum of ~~one~~ two years and is in good financial standing with the District.
- 2) Add the following language: "*before and after photographs*" as a form of supporting documentation

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to the Leak Adjustment Request Form.

24-03-31	<i>Upon motion by Director Miller, seconded by Director MacKenzie and unanimously carried (5 ayes: Miller, Kuchinsky, Sanchez, MacKenzie, and Vásquez), the Board of Directors adopted a Leak Adjustment Policy with noted changes and approved amending Section 2, Customer Service, of Vista Irrigation District's Rules and Regulations to incorporate the Leak Adjustment Policy.</i>
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11. ETHICS TRAINING

See staff report attached hereto.

The Board confirmed April 15, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. as the date to receive ethics training.

12. MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE ACTIVITIES OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY

See staff report attached hereto.

Director Miller commented that the Summary of Formal Board of Directors' Meeting of February 22, 2024 that was provided in the agenda packet summarizes the actions taken by the Water Authority Board of Directors at its last meeting. He said that the Metropolitan Water District (MWD) is currently reviewing its Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) and is proposing CIP budgets of approximately \$310 million to \$320 million for fiscal years 2024/25 and 2025/26, respectively; MWD is also proposing 13 percent and 8 percent rate increases for fiscal years 2024/25 and 2025/26, respectively.

13. MEETINGS AND EVENTS

See staff report attached hereto.

Director Kuchinsky mentioned that he will be attending the Vista Chamber Government Affairs meeting March 7, 2024. He notified the Board that he would not be attending the MWD Hoover Dam Tour on May 2-4, 2024 as previously authorized due to a scheduling conflict.

Director MacKenzie reported on her attendance of a zoom meeting of the ACWA Membership Committee where ACWA's Code of Conduct and member outreach program were discussed. She noted that ACWA is averaging a 97 percent membership retention rate. She also reported on her attendances at the California Special Districts Association Legislative Committee meeting and the ACWA Local Government Committee meeting where various legislative bills and policies were discussed. Director MacKenzie added that she would be attending a Special Districts Leadership Foundation meeting on March 11, 2024.

Director Miller mentioned that he would be attending a San Diego Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) Special Districts Advisory Committee meeting on March 15, 2024 and reminded the Board about the upcoming MWD Diamond Valley Lake Tour on June 7, 2024. Director Miller requested authorization to attend the Colorado River Water Users Association (CRWUA) Conference December 4-6, 2024 in Las Vegas, Nevada.

President Vásquez reported on his attendance at the Urban Water Institute (UWI) Spring Water

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Conference where he heard a presentation by Justice Ronald Robie, a California Court of Appeals Justice, that focused on litigation related to California water law and water rights. He also attended a presentation given by Mesa Water District's Board of Directors Vice President Marice DePasquale regarding the importance of customer communications. President Vásquez noted that the next UWI Water Conference would be held in August 2024.

24-03-32	<i>Upon motion by Director MacKenzie, seconded by Director Kuchinsky and unanimously carried (5 ayes: Miller, Kuchinsky, Sanchez, MacKenzie, and Vásquez), the Board of Directors authorized Director Miller to attend the CRWUA Conference December 4-6, 2024 in Las Vegas, Nevada.</i>
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The Board took a break at 11:13 a.m. and resumed the meeting at 11:23 a.m.

14. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS AND/OR PRESS RELEASES

See staff report attached hereto.

No changes or additions were offered.

15. COMMENTS BY DIRECTORS

Director Kuchinsky commented on the ACWA JPIA Safety Awards presentations, stating that it is nice to see and hear from the employees during these presentations. He also provided feedback on information he learned about flow meters and private water line insurance programs.

Director Sanchez commented that he did not have an update on the status of his appointment to the ACWA Energy Committee. He said he would be following up next week.

Director MacKenzie commented that the San Diego LAFCO found that the San Diego Port Authority is an independent special district. She also commented that the San Diego LAFCO has approved its work plan, which includes Municipal Service Reviews for the Water Authority, MWD and independent hospital districts. Director MacKenzie gave a brief synopsis of the Taxpayers Protection Act, noting that nearly 200 special districts have written letters opposing it.

President Vásquez commented that the ACWA monthly Regulatory Roundup newsletter is now available and that the ACWA Quarterly Regulatory Committee meetings are taking place on March 6, 2024.

16. COMMENTS BY GENERAL COUNSEL

Ms. Mitchell followed up on Director MacKenzie's comment regarding the Taxpayers Protection Act, stating that it is currently in front of the Supreme Court and she would provide an update when the Supreme Court's decision was made. She informed the Board that she is watching seven bills regarding microplastics and is following Assembly Bill 2302 regarding teleconferencing for local agencies.

17. COMMENTS BY GENERAL MANAGER

None were presented.

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18. CLOSED SESSION FOR CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

General Counsel Elizabeth Mitchell announced the closed session item as follows:

Discussion concerning real property transactions in compliance with Government Code section 54956.8 regarding:

*Property: Unaddressed property commonly known as part of Warner Ranch
(136-160-43, 137-090-38, 193-080-30 and 195-070-31)*

VID Negotiator: Brett Hodgkiss, General Manager

Negotiating Party: San Luis Rey Indian Water Authority

Under Negotiation: Terms

Following Ms. Mitchell's announcement President Vásquez adjourned the meeting to closed session at 11:38 a.m. The meeting reconvened in open session at 12:15 p.m. and President Vásquez declared that no reportable action was taken.

19. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, at 12:18 p.m., President Vásquez adjourned the meeting to March 20, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

Richard L. Vásquez, President

ATTEST:

Ramae Ogilvie, Secretary
Board of Directors
VISTA IRRIGATION DISTRICT



Cash Disbursement Report

Payment Dates 2/22/2024 - 3/6/2024

Payment Number	Payment Date	Vendor	Description	Amount
74269	02/28/2024	Active Auto Collision	Body Damage Repair - Truck 33	3,472.67
74270	02/28/2024	A-1 Irrigation, Inc	Utility Jugs, Check Valve	148.85
74271	02/28/2024	Airgas USA LLC	Welding Supplies	249.44
	02/28/2024		Weld Screen	134.57
74272	02/28/2024	Amazon Capital Services	E-Truck Cord Keepers (2)	47.72
	02/28/2024		Tire Tools	196.52
	02/28/2024		Microsoft Surface Pro	1,493.84
	02/28/2024		Office Supplies	9.73
	02/28/2024		Office Supplies	6.47
	02/28/2024		Surface Pro Accessories	305.37
	02/28/2024		Label Maker Tape	10.71
	02/28/2024		Carburetor for Generator - Truck 20	21.64
74273	02/28/2024	Asbury Environmental Services	Disposal of Non-Metal Filters	90.00
	02/28/2024		Disposal of Metal Oil/Gas Filters	55.00
74274	02/28/2024	AT&T	3680/CALNET 1/13/24 - 2/12/24 SIP Trunks	503.51
	02/28/2024		0230/CALNET 1/13/24 - 2/12/24 Teleconference	22.10
74275	02/28/2024	AT&T	Voice & Data Service	1,184.16
74276	02/28/2024	Branden O'Donnell	Reimburse - Supervisor Academy	63.38
74277	02/28/2024	Bryan and the Bee's	Live Bee Removal (1)	192.50
	02/28/2024		Live Bee Removal (1)	192.50
74278	02/28/2024	Cecilia's Safety Service Inc	Traffic Control - Tierra Del Cielo	1,472.50
	02/28/2024		Traffic Control - Casper Lane	1,472.50
	02/28/2024		Traffic Control - Independence Way & Warmlands Ave	1,155.00
74279	02/28/2024	CleanCapital HC4 Borrower LLC	Solar Energy 01/2024	3,118.14
74280	02/28/2024	Complete Office of California, Inc	Custom Stamp	34.06
	02/28/2024		Office Supplies	70.74
74281	02/28/2024	CoreLogic Solutions Inc	Real Quest Online Services 01/2024	309.00
74282	02/28/2024	Diamond Environmental Services	Portable Restroom Service	135.08
	02/28/2024		Portable Restroom Service	84.23
	02/28/2024		Portable Restroom Service	108.01
	02/28/2024		Portable Restroom Service	100.57
74283	02/28/2024	FedEx	Express Shipping	27.75
74284	02/28/2024	Ferguson Waterworks	3/4" Gasket Meter / 1/8" Thick (240)	90.93
	02/28/2024		Fire Hydrant 6" Break Off Spool LB400 (2)	568.31
	02/28/2024		Clamp 1x3 Repair Full Circle Copper SS Romac SCC 1 (4)	181.60

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	02/28/2024		Gate Valve 10" FL R/W (2)	4,585.28
	02/28/2024		Fire Hydrant "Out of Service" Bags (bags of 8) (6)	297.47
	02/28/2024		Keys for Locking Meter Box Lids (6)	162.38
74285	02/28/2024	Flyers Energy, LLC	Fuel	195.79
74286	02/28/2024	Grainger	Needle Valves (10)	1,837.12
74287	02/28/2024	Hawthorne Machinery Co	Lights - L7	(613.29)
	02/28/2024		Filters - B22 & L7	437.07
	02/28/2024		Service Call/Repair - Henshaw B22	934.26
74288	02/28/2024	Lanair Technology Group	SECURE Breach Prevention Platform - 100 Users	180.00
74289	02/28/2024	Lightning Messenger Express	Messenger Service 02/02/24	96.00
74290	02/28/2024	NAPA Auto Parts	Filters (8)	104.41
	02/28/2024		Filters (2)	64.01
	02/28/2024		Filters (6)	348.75
74291	02/28/2024	North County Auto Parts	Engine Oil (48)	259.28
	02/28/2024		Running Lamp - Truck 40	10.16
	02/28/2024		Long Hitch Pins (2)	12.36
74292	02/28/2024	North County Industrial Park	Association Fees 03/2024	1,028.22
74293	02/28/2024	O'Reilly Auto Parts	Battery Warranty - Truck 39	(188.94)
	02/28/2024		Battery - Truck 17	194.51
74294	02/28/2024	Pacific Pipeline Supply	Compression Angle Stops (5)	768.84
74295	02/28/2024	Pacific Safety Center	Safety Training	595.00
74296	02/28/2024	Ramona Disposal Service	Trash Service	327.83
74297	02/28/2024	Southern Counties Lubricants, LLC	Fuel 02/01/24 - 02/15/24	6,879.19
74298	02/28/2024	Midas Service Experts	Tires (2) & Alignment - Truck 41	647.29
74299	02/28/2024	UniFirst Corporation	Uniform Service	262.03
74300	02/28/2024	Valley CM, Inc	E Reservoir Replacement & Pump Station 01/2024	33,360.00
74301	02/28/2024	Verizon Wireless	Air Cards (4)	152.04
	02/28/2024		Cell Phones 02/16/24 - 02/15/24	2,227.25
74302	02/28/2024	Vista Printing	Letterhead & Envelopes	1,470.27
74303	02/28/2024	Vulcan Materials Company and Affiliates	Cold Mix	3,119.49
74304	02/28/2024	VWR International LLC	Graduated Cylinders	251.07
74305	02/28/2024	West Coast Civil, Inc	Independence Way LCC Bid Preparation (TO 24-02)	840.00
74306	02/28/2024	TS Industrial Supply	Chipping Gun Bits	135.02
	02/28/2024		Carrying Harnesses (3)	115.55
74307 - 74308	03/06/2024	Refund Checks 74307 - 74308	Customer Refunds	7,803.72
74309	03/06/2024	Amazon Capital Services	Lights - Truck 6	232.93
	03/06/2024		Seat Covers - Truck 75	128.82
	03/06/2024		Torque Wrench	182.93
	03/06/2024		Footwear Program	232.68
74310	03/06/2024	Bryan and the Bee's	Live Bee Removal (1)	192.50

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74311	03/06/2024	Christopher Craghead	Reimburse - Building Permit Fees	458.98
74312	03/06/2024	Civic Center Villas LLC	Refund Commercial Irrigation Conversion Fee	2,364.00
74313	03/06/2024	Akeso Occupational Health	DOT Physicals, Breath Test, Rapid DS	295.00
74314	03/06/2024	Complete Office of California, Inc	Office Supplies	223.35
	03/06/2024		Office Supplies	11.89
74315	03/06/2024	County of San Diego	Permit Fees 01/2024 - Watson Way	944.50
74316	03/06/2024	DIRECTV	Direct TV Service	125.17
74317	03/06/2024	Downtown Ford Sales	2023 Ford F150 4x2 Super Cab Pickup	40,744.95
74318	03/06/2024	EDCO Waste & Recycling Services Inc	Trash Service 02/2024	463.30
74319	03/06/2024	FedEx	Express Shipping	29.34
74320	03/06/2024	Ferguson Waterworks	Corp Stop 1" MIP X Flare (50)	3,893.75
	03/06/2024		Aquaphalt Asphalt Repair (36)	2,279.75
74321	03/06/2024	Fidelity Security Life Insurance Co (EyeMed)	Vision Insurance 03/2024 - Cobra	14.24
	03/06/2024		Vision Insurance 03/2024 - Cobra	35.12
	03/06/2024		Vision Insurance 03/2024 - Cobra	26.34
	03/06/2024		Vision Insurance 03/2024 - Cobra	22.54
	03/06/2024		Vision Insurance 03/2024 - Cobra	16.38
	03/06/2024		Vision Insurance 03/2024 - Cobra	14.24
	03/06/2024		Vision Insurance 03/2024 - Cobra	14.24
	03/06/2024		Vision Insurance 03/2024 - Cobra	14.24
	03/06/2024		Vision Insurance 03/2024 - Employees	1,559.84
	03/06/2024		Vision Insurance 03/2024 - R Vasquez	14.24
	03/06/2024		Vision Insurance 03/2024 - M Miller	14.24
	03/06/2024		Vision Insurance 03/2024 - J MacKenzie	14.24
	03/06/2024		Vision Insurance 03/2024 - P Kuchinsky	14.24
	03/06/2024		Vision Insurance 03/2024 - P Sanchez	14.24
74322	03/06/2024	Gateway Pacific Contractors, Inc	E Reservoir Replacement & Pump Station 12/2023	222,356.95
	03/06/2024		E Reservoir Replacement & Pump Station 01/2024	171,455.72
74323	03/06/2024	Hawthorne Machinery Co	Equipment Grease	56.25
74324	03/06/2024	Hello Deli	Lunch 02/29/24 (5) - Construction Supervisor Interviews	85.25
74325	03/06/2024	Insight Public Sector, Inc	Microsoft Surface Pro 9 LTE	1,707.86
74326	03/06/2024	J.D. Sales Company Inc	HVAC Replacement Parts	1,121.07
74327	03/06/2024	Joe's Paving	Patch Paving	11,408.85
	03/06/2024		Asphalt Repair - Watson Way	28,438.90
74328	03/06/2024	Jan-Pro of San Diego	Janitorial Service 02/2024	4,497.00
74329	03/06/2024	Kronick Moskovitz Tiedemann & Girard	Legal 01/2024	5,362.00
74330	03/06/2024	Lawnmowers Plus Inc	Air Filter (1)	32.31
	03/06/2024		Air Filters (4)	129.26
74331	03/06/2024	Lightning Messenger Express	Messenger Service 02/16/24	96.00
74332	03/06/2024	Makelele Systems Landscape & Maintenance, Inc	Landscape Service 02/2024	1,650.00

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74333	03/06/2024	McMaster-Carr Supply Company	Claval O-Rings, Washers, Grease	197.42
	03/06/2024		Stainless Steel Anchors (2)	126.58
	03/06/2024		Hardware	256.43
74334	03/06/2024	Moodys	Dump Fees/Oversize (3)	1,800.00
74335	03/06/2024	NAPA Auto Parts	Filters (4)	82.01
	03/06/2024		Fuel Filter, Bulbs	44.29
	03/06/2024		Bulbs (10)	18.94
74336	03/06/2024	NHA Advisors, LLC	NHA Municipal Financial Advisor 01/2024	3,868.75
74337	03/06/2024	North County Auto Parts	Distributor Rotor - Truck 5	6.90
	03/06/2024		Food Grade Lubricant, Penetrant Sprays	180.24
	03/06/2024		Coolant - A10	38.99
	03/06/2024		Distributor - Truck 5	142.52
	03/06/2024		Transmission Line - Truck 6	41.46
	03/06/2024		Transmission Cooler Line	26.22
	03/06/2024		Fittings - Truck 6	15.04
	03/06/2024		Alternator, Belt - Truck 32	372.27
	03/06/2024		Gear Oil - E3	53.39
	03/06/2024		Spark Plugs for Concrete Saw	13.25
74338	03/06/2024	Occu-Med, Ltd	Medical Exam	65.85
74339	03/06/2024	Pacific Pipeline Supply	Parts for Repair Drain - MD Reservoir	115.23
74340	03/06/2024	Quadra Manufacturing. Inc	Hydraulic Pump/Tank Assembly - T22	685.00
74341	03/06/2024	Interstate All Battery Center	Solar Batteries (2)	468.29
74342	03/06/2024	San Diego Gas & Electric	Gas 02/2024 - VID Headquarter	1,622.27
	03/06/2024		Electric 02/2024 - Henshaw Buildings & Grounds	564.71
	03/06/2024		Electric 02/2024 - Henshaw Wellfield	14,143.40
	03/06/2024		Electric 02/2024 - VID Headquarter	5,996.63
74343	03/06/2024	San Luis Rey Indian Water Authority	2019 Rincon Supplemental Exchange July Credit	152,540.44
74344	03/06/2024	SiteOne Landscape Supply, LLC	Parts for Plumbing Meters	543.07
	03/06/2024		Parts for Plumbing Meters	71.96
74345	03/06/2024	The UPS Store 0971	Shipping 02/2024	661.10
74346	03/06/2024	Bend Genetics, LLC	HABs Lab Analysis	2,146.00
74347	03/06/2024	Umpqua Bank	E Res Replacement & Pump Sta 01/24 - Retainage D2346	9,023.98
	03/06/2024		E Res Replacement & Pump Sta 12/23 - Retainage D2346	11,702.99
74348	03/06/2024	UniFirst Corporation	Uniform Service	318.54
74349	03/06/2024	Verizon Wireless	SCADA Remote Access	409.42
74350	03/06/2024	VWR International LLC	Graduated Cylinders (2)	82.12
74351	03/06/2024	TS Industrial Supply	2" Black Pipe Wrap Tape / 10 Mil / 100' (24)	227.34
	03/06/2024		Max Earplug / Uncorded / #Max 1 (200 per box) (1)	38.97
	03/06/2024		Nemesis Safety Glasses/Smoke Lens/Black Frame (12)	81.97
	03/06/2024		Marking Paint Fluorescent Orange #222 (12)	85.47

Payment Number	Payment Date	Vendor	Description	Amount
	03/06/2024		Nemesis Safety Glasses/Clear Lens/Black Frame(12)	88.85
	03/06/2024		Gilmore Pistol Grip Water Nozzle (12)	98.20
	03/06/2024		Striping Paint Blue #750 (12)	99.37
	03/06/2024		Fittings, Grease Guns	85.20
	03/06/2024		Water Filter Screens (3)	111.07
74352	03/06/2024	Xerox Corporation	Xerox Maintenance & Supplies	297.58
Grand Total:				798,877.89



STAFF REPORT

Agenda Item: 7

Board Meeting Date: March 20, 2024
Prepared By: Frank Wolinski
Approved By: Brett Hodgkiss

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION HONORING RETIRING VISTA IRRIGATION DISTRICT EMPLOYEE MARK MEZA

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Resolution No. 2024-XX honoring Mark Meza for 20 years of service to the District and its customers.

PRIOR BOARD ACTION: None.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

SUMMARY: Mark will retire with over 20 years of exemplary service to the District and its customers on March 22, 2024. The District would like to honor Mark by passing the attached resolution.

DETAILED REPORT: Mark started his career as a Temporary Laborer Trainee with the District on September 15, 2003. In less than two months, he was hired as a regular Laborer Trainee and subsequently promoted to Construction Worker in 2004. After perfecting his skills in the Construction section, where he installed new water mains and service laterals, Mark was promoted to Welder Helper in October 2005. After getting the opportunity to expand his skill in equipment operation, Mark was promoted to Heavy Equipment Operator in November 2007. In 2011, Mark was promoted to Senior Construction Worker and then to Construction Supervisor in August 2018.

Since being promoted to Construction Supervisor, Mark has led the charge to replace over 10 miles of mainline. During this time, he has increased the efficiencies of mainline production by developing and refining a highly capable and motivated crew that values hard work and safety. Mark's knowledge and skill in pre-construction planning, mainline installation techniques and field engineering have led to the development of improved District standards and efficiencies.

Mark's career has been embodied by pride, hard work and dedication. As a leader, he values these same traits and has always strived to help others achieve their goals. Outside of work, Mark is a dedicated husband and father and has coached various youth sports in the Vista community for over 40 years. Mark's institutional knowledge, jovial personality and quick wit will be missed by all.

Mark's last day with the District will be March 22, 2024. In retirement, Mark plans to spend time with his wife, Eleanor, and their family, which includes five grandchildren.

ATTACHMENT: Resolution No. 2024-XX

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-XX

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
VISTA IRRIGATION DISTRICT
HONORING MARK MEZA
FOR 20 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE DISTRICT

WHEREAS, Mark Meza, starting as a temporary Laborer Trainee and progressively advancing to the position of Construction Supervisor, has provided the District and its customers with 20 years of exemplary service; and

WHEREAS, serving in his many capacities, Mark was charged with the installation, repair and maintenance of the District's extensive infrastructure, facilities and equipment; and

WHEREAS, his hard work, dedication and perseverance have enabled the District to provide exemplary customer service and superior system reliability; and

WHEREAS, Mark's leadership ability, skill in construction planning and extensive knowledge of mainline replacement techniques have been an essential part of the growth and success of the District's Main Replacement Program; and

WHEREAS, his continued support and mentoring of co-workers have ensured the District is abundantly staffed with a knowledgeable and highly capable workforce; and

WHEREAS, Mark's wide range of abilities, institutional knowledge, resourcefulness and good-natured personality will be sorely missed at the District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the Vista Irrigation District does hereby wish Mark Meza a long, healthy and prosperous retirement and expresses its appreciation for his dedication to the District and its customers for the past 20 years.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the following roll call vote of the Board of Directors of Vista Irrigation District this 20th day of March 2024.

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Richard Vásquez, President

ATTEST:

Ramae Ogilvie, Secretary
Board of Directors
VISTA IRRIGATION DISTRICT



STAFF REPORT

Board Meeting Date: March 20, 2024
Prepared By: Brett Hodgkiss

SUBJECT: WARNER RANCH WORKING GROUP

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1) Consider request to create a working group comprised of representatives from Vista Irrigation District, City of Escondido and San Luis Rey Indian Water Authority to explore stewardship opportunities on the Warner Ranch.
- 2) Select an ad hoc committee to represent the Vista Irrigation District, if the decision is to create a working group.

PRIOR BOARD ACTION: None.

FISCAL IMPACT: Unknown costs related to District representation on the working group as well as legal counsel participation and support.

SUMMARY: At its February 7, 2024 meeting, the Board of Directors received a presentation from representatives from the San Luis Rey Indian Water Authority (SLRIWA) regarding the Warner Ranch and Warner Basin. At the conclusion of their presentation, the SLRIWA representatives requested that the District consider creating a working group comprised of representatives from the District, City of Escondido and SLRIWA to explore stewardship opportunities on the Warner Ranch. As noted by the Board at its February 7, 2024 meeting, this is a complex matter and preliminary discussions will need to consider agreements related to existing uses of the Warner Ranch property.



STAFF REPORT

Agenda Item: 9

Board Meeting Date: March 20, 2024
Prepared By: Ramae Ogilvie
Approved By: Brett Hodgkiss

SUBJECT: LAKE HENSHAW/WARNER RANCH INSPECTION TOUR

RECOMMENDATION: Schedule a Board inspection tour to Lake Henshaw and the Warner Ranch.

PRIOR BOARD ACTION: The Board last conducted an inspection tour of Lake Henshaw and the Warner Ranch on September 29, 2021.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

SUMMARY: Each spring the Board typically conducts an annual inspection tour of District facilities associated with the District's local water system, primarily at Lake Henshaw and the Warner Ranch, to receive briefings from District staff regarding the facilities and issues arising from their operation, maintenance, condition and related matters. As noted, the Board last conducted an inspection tour of Lake Henshaw and the Warner Ranch on September 29, 2021. Instead of conducting its annual inspections in 2022 and 2023, the Board visited the La Jolla Band of Luiseño Indians Campgrounds and San Pasqual Undergrounding Project (SPUP) site on November 14, 2022 and toured local water facilities (SPUP and Edgehill Reservoir Replacement and Pump Station Project construction sites) on April 12, 2023. The Board has expressed interest in conducting its annual inspection tour of Lake Henshaw and the Warner Ranch in 2024.

DETAILED REPORT: All Directors are requested to consult their individual calendars and be prepared to discuss their availability to participate in the inspection tour at the Board meeting. Please see attached calendar below for potential tour dates in May and June.

MAY/JUNE 2024						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
26	27	28	29	30	31	1
2	3	4	5 <i>Board Meeting</i>	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19 <i>Board Meeting</i>	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30						



Available dates for Lake Henshaw/Warner Ranch Tour



Unavailable dates



STAFF REPORT

Agenda Item: 10

Board Meeting Date: March 20, 2024
Prepared By: Ramae Ogilvie
Approved By: Brett Hodgkiss

SUBJECT: BOARD OF DIRECTORS' COMPENSATION

RECOMMENDATION: Review Board of Directors' compensation and consider setting public hearing for the purpose of receiving comments on a revision to the District ordinance setting compensation for Board Directors.

PRIOR BOARD ACTION: On May 13, 2015, the Board adopted Ordinance No. 15-01 setting \$200 as the Directors' per diem compensation for each day's attendance at meetings of the Board or for each day's service rendered as a member of the Board. On May 11, 2022, the Board reviewed the Board of Directors' per diem compensation; a motion to set a public hearing for the purpose of receiving comments on a District ordinance setting compensation for Board of Directors was made, a vote was taken and the motion failed.

FISCAL IMPACT: Amount will vary based on Board action; however, since annual Board per diem expenses have averaged \$55,000 (excluding Fiscal Years 2020 and 2021 due to the pandemic), District costs could increase by up to \$24,600 annually (based on the maximum compensation allowable) depending on the action taken by the Board.

SUMMARY: Water Code Section 20202 authorizes the governing body of a water district to increase compensation to individual directors by an amount up to five percent for each calendar year since the date of their last adjustment.

DETAILED REPORT: Since October 2015, Directors have received \$200 for each day's service rendered as a member of the Board. According to State Water Code Section 20202, the governing board of a water district may increase its compensation up to five percent for each calendar year following the operative date of the last adjustment of the compensation, which is received when the ordinance is adopted. This means that the maximum compensation allowable to the Directors is \$290 per meeting, as shown in the following table.

Year	Max. %	Maximum Per Diem Allowable
2015		200.00
2016	5%	210.00
2017	10%	220.00
2018	15%	230.00
2019	20%	240.00
2020	25%	250.00
2021	30%	260.00
2022	35%	270.00
2023	40%	280.00
2024	45%	290.00

If the Board elects to increase Director compensation, it must hold a public hearing (date and time as determined by the Board) for the purpose of receiving comments on an ordinance setting compensation for the Board of Directors. A notice of public hearing must be published once a week for two successive weeks with at least five days intervening in a newspaper of general circulation. If adopted, the ordinance would become effective 60 days after its adoption.

ATTACHMENT: Board of Directors Per Diem Survey, February 2024

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
PER DIEM SURVEY
FEBRUARY 2024**

	DISTRICT	Per Diem (February 2023)	Per Diem (February 2024)
1	Carlsbad MWD	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
2	Eastern MWD	\$ 245.00	\$ 258.00
3	Elsinore Valley MWD	\$ 232.50	\$ 244.13
4	Encina Wastewater Authority	\$ 221.41	\$ 221.41
5	Fallbrook PUD	\$ 127.63	\$ 134.00
6	Helix Water District	\$ 225.00	\$ 225.00
7	Lakeside Water District	\$ 125.00	\$ 125.00
8	Leucadia Wastewater	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
9	Olivenhain MWD	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00
10	Otay Water District	\$ 158.00	\$ 165.00
11	Padre Dam MWD	\$ 145.00	\$ 160.00
12	Rainbow MWD	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00
13	Ramona MWD	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
14	Rancho California Water District	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
15	Rincon Del Diablo MWD	\$ 160.00	\$ 160.00
16	SDCWA Directors <small>*Officers compensation \$180.00</small>	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00
17	San Dieguito Water District	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
18	Santa Fe Irrigation District	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00
19	South Bay Irrigation District	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
20	Sweetwater Authority	\$ 150.00	\$ 200.00
21	Vallecitos Water District	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
22	Valley Center MWD	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
23	Vista Irrigation District	\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
24	Yuima MWD	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00

2024 Average Per Diem \$162.19

** Did not respond to the survey request, used previous survey amount*



STAFF REPORT

Agenda Item: 11

Board Meeting Date: March 20, 2024
Prepared By: Brett Hodgkiss

SUBJECT: MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE ACTIVITIES OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY

SUMMARY: Informational report by staff and directors concerning the San Diego County Water Authority. No action will be required.



STAFF REPORT

Agenda Item: 12.A

Board Meeting Date:	March 20, 2024
Prepared By:	Ramae Ogilvie
Approved By:	Brett Hodgkiss

SUBJECT: REPORTS ON MEETINGS AND EVENTS ATTENDED BY DIRECTORS

SUMMARY: Directors will present brief reports on meetings and events attended since the last Board meeting.



STAFF REPORT

Agenda Item: 12.B

Board Meeting Date: March 20, 2024
Prepared By: Ramae Ogilvie
Approved By: Brett Hodgkiss

SUBJECT: SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

SUMMARY: The following is a listing of upcoming meetings and events. Requests to attend any of the following events should be made during this agenda item.

	SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS	ATTENDEES
1 *	Vista Chamber Government Affairs <i>Apr. 4, 2024; 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.; The Film Hub, Vista</i> <i>Reservation deadline: TBD</i>	Kuchinsky ◇
2	ACWA Symposium <i>Apr. 10, 2024; SAFE Credit Union Convention Center, Sacramento</i> <i>Early Registration deadline: April 1, 2024; Cancellation deadline: April 1, 2024</i>	MacKenzie (R, H, A)
3	Southern California Water Coalition Quarterly Meeting <i>Apr. 19, 2024; Noon-2:00 p.m.; Wilson Creek Winery, Temecula</i> <i>Registration deadline: None</i>	Vásquez (R)
4 *	Vista Chamber Government Affairs <i>May 2, 2024; 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.; The Film Hub, Vista</i> <i>Reservation deadline: TBD</i>	Kuchinsky ◇
5	Hoover Dam Tour (MWD) <i>May 2-4, 2024; Registration deadline: TBD</i>	
6	ACWA Spring Conference <i>May 7-9, 2024; Sacramento</i> <i>Registration deadline: April 19, 2024; Cancellation deadline: April 19, 2024</i>	MacKenzie (R, H, A) Sanchez (R, H, A) Vásquez (R, H)
7	Special Districts Legislative Days (CSDA) <i>May 21-22, 2024; Sheraton Grand Sacramento Hotel; Sacramento</i> <i>Early Registration deadline: April 24, 2024; Cancellation deadline, April 24, 2024</i>	MacKenzie (R, H, A)
8 *	Vista Chamber Government Affairs <i>Jun. 6, 2024; 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.; The Film Hub, Vista</i> <i>Reservation deadline: TBD</i>	Kuchinsky ◇
9	Diamond Valley Lake Tour (MWD, Hosted by Director Miller) <i>June 7, 2024; Diamond Valley Lake (1-day tour)</i> <i>Registration deadline: TBD</i>	Kuchinsky MacKenzie
10 *	Vista Chamber Government Affairs <i>Jul. 4, 2024; 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.; The Film Hub, Vista</i> <i>Reservation deadline: TBD</i>	Kuchinsky ◇
11	Southern California Water Coalition Quarterly Meeting <i>July 29, 2024; Noon-2:00 p.m.; Downey, CA</i> <i>Registration deadline: None</i>	
12 *	Vista Chamber Government Affairs <i>Aug. 1, 2024; 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.; The Film Hub, Vista</i> <i>Reservation deadline: TBD</i>	Kuchinsky ◇
13	Urban Water Institute Annual Conference <i>Aug. 21-23, 2024; San Diego, CA</i> <i>Registration deadline: TBD</i>	
14 *	Vista Chamber Government Affairs <i>Sept. 5, 2024; 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.; The Film Hub, Vista</i> <i>Reservation deadline: TBD</i>	Kuchinsky ◇

	SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS	ATTENDEES
15	CSDA Annual Conference <i>Sept. 9-12, 2024; Indian Wells</i> <i>Early Registration deadline: August 21, 2024; Cancellation deadline: August 21, 2024</i>	Sanchez
16 *	Vista Chamber Government Affairs <i>Oct. 3, 2024; 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.; The Film Hub, Vista</i> <i>Reservation deadline: TBD</i>	Kuchinsky ◇
17	Western Groundwater Congress: A Sustainable Adventure (Groundwater Resources Association of California) <i>Oct. 7-9, 2024; Tahoe</i> <i>Registration deadline: TBD; Cancellation deadline: TBD</i>	
18 *	Vista Chamber Government Affairs <i>Nov. 7, 2024; 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.; The Film Hub, Vista</i> <i>Reservation deadline: TBD</i>	Kuchinsky ◇
19	ACWA Fall Conference <i>Dec. 3-5, 2024; Palm Desert</i> <i>Registration deadline: TBD; Cancellation deadline: TBD</i>	
20 *	Vista Chamber Government Affairs <i>Dec. 5, 2024; 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.; The Film Hub, Vista</i> <i>Reservation deadline: TBD</i>	Kuchinsky ◇
21	Colorado River Water Users Association Conference <i>Dec. 4-6, 2024; Paris Hotel, Las Vegas</i> <i>Registration deadline: TBD; Cancellation deadline: TBD</i>	Miller

* Non-per diem meeting except when serving as an officer of the organization

The following abbreviations indicate arrangements that have been made by staff:

R=Registration; **H**=Hotel; **A**=Airline; **S**=Shuttle; **C**=Car; **T**=Tentative; ◇=Attendee to Self-Register

VISTA CHAMBER GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE HEARS A VISTA RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT UPDATE AT MARCH MEETING

By [Editor](#) / March 8, 2024 / [No Comments](#)

TR Robertson – The Vista Chamber of Commerce Government Affairs Committee heard from Vista Community Development Director Joe Vacca and Jennings Imel from the U.S. Chamber of Commerce at their March meeting. Using a power point presentation, **Joe Vacca, Vista Community Development Director**, detailed the Vista General Plan for residential development as well as the approved and pending new residential developments. Joe stated he is “here to work together to weave the fabric of the Vista Community and is open and available to all.” He said the City Council is currently working on the General Plan, required by state law. He also said this General Plan is a comprehensive and long-term document. Land Use Circulation Housing takes in a number of factors like open space, safety and noise. There has already been a series of workshops on the General Plan starting in 2023. A number of outreach efforts have been used to notify citizens about these workshops. Joe’s department and the City Council will also be looking at Land Use Alternatives. Once completed, the proposals will go back to the City Council, making sure that they also abide by the California Environmental Quality Act. This will apply to all residential, commercial, mixed-use, industrial, and civic activity/parks and open space. The various Mixed-Use designations will all look at the number of dwelling units, their height and space along with other considerations. Two examples of these types of approved developments include The Ryland complex and Paseo Artist Village in the downtown area. Joe encouraged citizens to go online to the city’s web site to check out the maps detailing the proposed and approved residential developments for Vista and to take part in the various workshops that deal with the General Plan for the City of Vista. He then presented an overview of various projects either recently completed, approved for construction and/or underway and recently approved.

These included:

- Santa Fe Terrace – 51 Townhomes – some low income
- Postal Way Residential – 36 units – some low income
- South Santa Fe Multi-Family – 96 units – some low income
- The True Life Companies – 28 units
- Palomar Annexation and Subdivision – 24 units
- Taylor Terrace – 51 Townhomes
- Kensho Housing – 183 units
- Park Avenue Apartments – 176 units – some low income
- TTLIC Melrose Matagal – 34 units
- North Santa Fe Apartments – 36 units
- Vista Hannalei – 75 units
- Alliance North Santa Fe – 60 units
- Santa Fe Plaza Apartments – 19 units
- Civic Center Villas – 10 units
- Soltaire – 107 units
- Santa Fe Apartments – 45 units

The next presenter was **Jennings Imel from the U.S. Chamber of Commerce**. Jennings reminded everyone that we are in the middle of an election season and the Chamber is looking at both the outcomes of the elections for the House and Senate and the Presidential election. He said recent polls show both main Presidential candidates have low approval ratings. Jennings also said there are some very interesting elections around the country that could cause interesting changes in the Republican and

Democratic levels in Congress. Various projects and bills could be affected by the election results. The U.S. Chamber is very concerned about the effect this may have in the business climate for the nation. He also said not a lot of bills have recently been approved by Congress. Some other areas of concern that may affect the business climate are border security, the Ukraine war and tension in Taiwan. Jennings did say a tax package had been passed by the House and is now in the Senate for approval. He also said we should keep a possible tax increase in 2025 as an area of concern.

Governmental Updates:

Salome Tash from Congressman Mike Levin's Office – The Congressman is working on several proposed programs to provide food sources for children during non-school time. He recently visited the Oceanside Community Clinic promoting lowering health care costs for those in need. The Congressman supports the Health Insurance Premium Act that would assist in covering the cost of insurance for many people.

Fernando Hernandez from Senator Catherine Blakespear's Office – The State Senator's priority issues concern housing and gun violence. She currently has 24 bills introduced dealing with these issues. The Senator has also been appointed to a number of committees for the Senate. She has co-authored bills dealing with trying to charge utility bills based on income and a bill dealing with unsafe camping on the streets by homeless individuals. The Senator recently took part in the opening of the Buena Vista Creek Center. One other area of concern deals with a bill dealing with the theft occurring in retail stores where those stealing are not serving any significant jail time. The Senator will be holding a Town Hall on the 20th talking about drugs in this region. It will be held at Mira Costa College's San Elijo campus.

Ryan Ewart from Assembly Member Laurie Davies Office – The Assembly Member has introduced and has concerns in the areas of retail theft, young people used in commission of theft human trafficking, and fentanyl sales.

Kristal Jabara from County of San Diego Supervisor Jim Desmond's Office – The Blue Envelope Program is underway sponsored by the Sheriff's Department. The program assists autistic individuals and their interactions with law enforcement. The Supervisor does not support a bill on the November ballot that would add a ½ cent sales tax supposedly to be used for road improvements. The America Rescue Plan Act has \$110 million unspent that will be used for infrastructure programs for addiction treatment. \$20 million was recently allocated for assistance with homeless services and \$10.6 million allocated for affordable housing projects. It is estimated that 600-900 people are crossing the border every day and being dropped off at various locations in the county. Prop 47 is close to having enough signatures to be placed on the ballot. Prop 47 would close the loopholes on the \$950 limit before felony charges can be leveled for theft.

Josh Sino Cruz from the City of Vista – The City Council will be dealing with issues dealing with cannabis special events and the upcoming financial report on expenditures and revenue. There will be some upcoming Vista street closures. A committee will soon be formed to assist with the use of the Avo Theatre in Downtown Historic Vista. Upcoming Events:

Mar 19 – Planning Commission meeting

March 21 – Moonlight Amphitheatre season begins

March 23 – Unity with the Community

March 27 – Townsite Phase II Community meeting

March 30 – Pride of Vista Lions Club Easter Egg Hunt

Rachel Beld – CEO Vista Chamber of Commerce – Vista Magazine is out, Heroes of Vista on March 22 at the Vistonian, Applications are out for the Chamber Velocity Summer Student Internship Program (applications due April 10)

From Peter Kuchinsky Vista Irrigation District

VID residential and commercial customers can learn more about available rebates at: <https://www.vidwater.org/rebates>

Sign up for workshops that include topics, including soil, design, turf removal, plant selection, planning, irrigation, rainwater catchment and implementation — all the elements needed to convert high-water-use turf to a beautiful, water-efficient landscape. Next on is Saturday March 16, 2024, from 10 am – 1 pm. to register for the workshop. Sign up online at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/design-shape-your-space-tickets-796469470627> or for more information contact Sandra Sanchez at ssanchez@vidwater.org<mailto:ssanchez@vidwater.org> or (760) 597-3155.

VID employees Equipment Operator Oscar Chavez, Utility Worker Luis Ramos and Senior Equipment Mechanic Steve Tester were recently recognized with a safety award from the District's insurance provider, ACWA JPIA, for improvements made the valve exercising truck. One of the issues with the existing valve exercising truck was available storage for valve lids on the vehicle. Due to the amount of space the valve exercising equipment occupied on the truck bed, there was limited space for valve lids; therefore, the valve lids had to be stored in the bed of the valve exercise equipment or under the flatbed in bins. Access to the valve lids, which weigh 20 – 40 pounds each, required climbing in the truck bed or stooping/bending to access the bins where they were located. The employees collaborated on a design for the flatbed that would make the valve lids easier to access. The design located the valve lid bins on top of the flatbed (waist high) in a cage system that was secured with small stake gates that could be easily removed to access the valve lids without having to stoop/bend or climb into the truck bed reducing injuries related to strains, sprains and lifting.

<https://www.vidwater.org/files/8f3eb7b01/HR+Labounty+Safety+Awards+-+Vista+ID+3-6-2023.pdf>

Federal officials have released a final conservation plan to prevent Lake Mead from falling to critically low levels, threatening water delivery and power production at Hoover Dam. The agreement among the seven Colorado River Basin states would save some 3-million-acre feet of water through the end of 2026. It is expected to be formally adopted in the coming weeks, officials said. Water levels at Lake Powell and Lake Mead remain historically low, even after heavy rainfall in the past two years, and long-term conservation measures are needed to ensure the sustainability of the Colorado River. <https://lasvegassun.com/news/2024/mar/05/feds-release-final-colorado-river-water-conservati/>

The next Government Affairs meeting is April 4th at the Film Hub.



STAFF REPORT

Agenda Item: 13

Board Meeting Date: May 20, 2024
Prepared By: Brett Hodgkiss

SUBJECT: ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS AND/OR PRESS RELEASES

SUMMARY: This item is placed on the agenda to enable the Board to identify and schedule future items for discussion at upcoming Board meetings and/or identify press release opportunities.

Staff-generated list of tentative items for future agendas:

- Ethics Training (April 15, 2024 at 9:00 AM)
- Capital Project Financing Workshop (April 29, 2024 at 9:00 AM)
- Lake Henshaw Resort
- Communication and Engagement Plan



STAFF REPORT

Agenda Item: 14

Board Meeting Date:

May 20, 2024

Prepared By:

Ramae Ogilvie

SUBJECT: COMMENTS BY DIRECTORS

SUMMARY: This item is placed on the agenda to enable individual Board members to convey information to the Board and the public not requiring discussion or action.



STAFF REPORT

Agenda Item: 15

Board Meeting Date: March 20, 2024
Prepared By: Brett Hodgkiss

SUBJECT: COMMENTS BY GENERAL COUNSEL

SUMMARY: Informational report by the General Counsel on items not requiring discussion or action.



STAFF REPORT

Agenda Item: 16

Board Meeting Date: March 20, 2024
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SUBJECT: COMMENTS BY GENERAL MANAGER

SUMMARY: Informational report by the General Manager on items not requiring discussion or action.