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APPROVED MINUTES

Board of Directors Special Budget Hearing Meeting
Wednesday, May 4, 2022

*Note: Audio recordings of the meeting are available on the website of the
Bay Area Air Quality Management District at
www.baaqmd.gov/bodagendas*

This meeting was conducted under procedures authorized by Assembly Bill 361 (Rivas 2021), allowing remote meetings. Members of the Board of Directors participated both by teleconference (via Zoom) and in person.

CALL TO ORDER

1. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (OUT OF ORDER, ITEM 2)**
2. **PUBLIC MEETING PROCEDURE (ITEM 3)**
3. **Opening Comments:** Board of Directors (Board) Chairperson, Karen Mitchoff, called the meeting to order at 8:39 a.m. **(ITEM 1)**

Roll Call:

Present: Chairperson Karen Mitchoff; Vice Chairperson John Bauters; Secretary Davina Hurt; and Directors Margaret Abe-Koga (Zoom), Teresa Barrett, Pauline Russo Cutter (Zoom), John Gioia (Zoom), Carole Groom (Zoom), Erin Hannigan (Zoom), David Haubert (Zoom), Lynda Hopkins (Zoom), David Hudson, Rob Rennie (Zoom), Katie Rice, Mark Ross (Zoom), Brad Wagenknecht, and Steve Young (Zoom).

Absent: Directors David Canepa, Tyrone Jue, Sergio Lopez, Otto Lee, Myrna Melgar, Nate Miley, and Shamann Walton.

PUBLIC HEARING

4. **PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE TESTIMONY ON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO AIR DISTRICT REGULATION 3: FEES**

The Board of Directors received testimony on the proposed amendments to Air District Regulation 3: Fees for Fiscal Year Ending (FYE) 2023. The proposed amendments were designed to recover the costs

of regulatory program activities supported by fees. This was the first of two public hearings required before adoption. The staff presentation, *Amendments to Regulation 3, Fees*, was not given.

Public Comments

Public comments were given by Christine Wolfe, California Council for Environmental and Economic Balance; and Todd Osterberg.

Board Comments

None.

Board Action

None; receive and file.

5. FIRST PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED AIR DISTRICT BUDGET FOR FYE 2023

The Board of Directors held the first of two required public hearings for the exclusive purpose of considering testimony on the Air District's Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year Ending (FYE) 2023. A Final Public Hearing is scheduled for Wednesday, June 15, 2022, to consider adoption of the Proposed Budget for FYE 2023.

Dr. Jeff McKay, Chief Financial Officer, introduced Stephanie Osaze, Finance Director, who gave the staff presentation *First Public Hearing to Consider Adoption of the Air District's Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year Ending 2023*, including: outcome; outline; requested action; financial history (actual reserves and policy trends, General Fund revenue and expenditure trends; staffing trends, cost recovery trends, fees and cost recovery overview); current FY budget overview; current FY 2022-2023 Proposed Budget overview; breakdown of FY 2023 General Fund revenues and expenditures; breakdown of \$15 million Budget increase; recent staffing requests; FYE 2022 included request for 26 staff: new staffing request General Fund (19) on hold and new staffing requests grant funded (7) on hold; FYE 2023 Proposed 20 new staff; alternative Proposed Budget; possible Proposed Budget options; Budget options: 6.4% vs. 10.9% blended rate; capital Budget detail; funding of retirement liabilities; reserves designations; FY 2022-2023 Proposed Budget summary; next steps; and feedback requested/prompt.

NOTED PRESENT: Director Barrett was noted present at 8:51am, Director Young was noted present at 8:55am, and Director Lopez was noted present at 8:59am.

Public Comments

No requests received.

Board Comments

The Board and staff discussed whether the adoption of the Proposed Budget would help reduce the current permit application backlog; and how cost containment can be achieved, moving forward.

Board Action

None; receive and file.

OTHER BUSINESS

6. **PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA MATTERS**

No requests received.

7. **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

None.

8. **TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday, June 15, 2022, at 9:00 a.m., in person or via webcast, teleconference, or Zoom, pursuant to procedures in accordance with Assembly Bill 361 (Rivas 2021).

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 9:03 a.m.

/s/ Marcy Hiratzka
Marcy Hiratzka
Clerk of the Boards