# EL DORADO HILLS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

### EIGHT HUNDRED NINETEENTH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

# Thursday, August 20, 2020

# 5:00 p.m.

District Office, 1050 Wilson Boulevard, El Dorado Hills, CA 95762

### I. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Hartley called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Directors in attendance: Bennett, Durante, Giraudo, Hartley, and White. Director Durante attended via teleconference. Staff in attendance: Chief Johnson and Director of Finance Braddock. Counsel Cook was also in attendance.

Meeting adjourned to closed session at 5:00 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 6:15 p.m. The Board took no action during closed session.

#### II. CLOSED SESSION

- A. <u>Closed Session</u> Pursuant to Government Code Sections 54957(b)(1); Public
- B. Employee Performance Evaluation: Fire Chief
- C. <u>Closed Session</u> pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(c); One matter: Grand Jury Report Response Development

#### III. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Approve Minutes of the 818th Board meeting held July 16, 2020
- B. Approve Financial Statements and Check Register
- C. Approve Employee Development Center (EDC) Financial Report

Director Hartley made a motion to approve the consent calendar, seconded by Director White and unanimously carried.

#### **IV. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

- A. **EDH Professional Firefighters** Mathew Eckhardt, Vice President, reported that all personnel are working to keep the stations staffed and strike teams filled during this time. He added that training has been cancelled due to COVID-19 and the Election of Officers comes up in September so new representatives will take their seats in October.
- **B. EDH Firefighters Association** None
- C. Public Comment None
- V. CORRESPONDENCE None

## VI. ATTORNEY ITEMS – None

### VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Administrative Committee (Directors Bennett and Hartley) No report.
- B. Finance Committee (Directors Giraudo and White)
  - COVID-19 Cost Update Director of Finance Braddock presented the overview of the cost impact of COVID-19 and what items may be reimbursed by FEMA. She added El Dorado County received a CARES Act grant that is a potential source for COVID expense reimbursement as well.
- C. Joint Powers Authority (Directors Hartley and Giraudo) Chief Johnson reported a number of applications have come in for the JPA Executive Director position and interviews are set for early September.
- **D.** Strategic Planning Ad Hoc Committee (Directors Durante and White) No report.

VIII. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT – Chief Johnson reported the following to the Board:

- Chief Lilienthal continues to keep the Department current on the COVID policies and protocols, which are changing daily.
- The inherent challenges of COVID-19 are causing extra stress (home schooling, illness exposure, telecommuting staff, etc.) and commends all staff for how they are handling the challenges.

## IX. OPERATIONS REPORT

A. Operations Report (Receive and file) – Chief Hall highlighted the significant training and strike team deployment events from July. Director White recommended adding a section on Apparatus status. Chief Hall reported that he will add this to future reports. Received and filed.

# X. COMMUNITY RISK REDUCTION REPORT

A. CRRD Report (Receive and file) – Chief Johnson reported that the development in El Dorado Hills has not slowed down. Retired Annuitant Ron Phillips supplied a report that sheds light on what the CRRD has been working on. Received and filed.

# XI. FISCAL ITEMS

A. Public Hearing: Review and approve Resolution 2020-15 adopting the appropriation limits for the 2020-21 fiscal year – Director of Finance Braddock explained the calculated appropriation limit for 2020-21. She stated that the District is far from the calculated limit of \$47,599,783.

A public hearing was opened at 6:53 p.m. and, without comment, it was closed at 6:53 p.m.

Director Giraudo made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-15 adopting the appropriation limits for the 2020-21 fiscal year, seconded by Director White and unanimously carried. (Roll Call: Ayes: 5; Noes: 0)

#### XII. NEW BUSINESS – None

#### XIII. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Rescue Annexation Update Chief Johnson stated that Rescue Board has met and discussed governance, however they have not come to a conclusion. A Special Board Meeting will be scheduled in order for the full Rescue Board to be present. The maps and the jurisdictional descriptions are completed and ready to be submitted with the complete application.
- **B.** Training Center Update Chief Johnson reported that Chief Hall is still working on getting some other options together to present to the Finance Committee meeting.
- C. EDHCSD/EDHFD 2x2 update (Directors Durante and White) Director White reported that they had an introductory meeting to discuss the possibilities of Cityhood; the cost of a study would be \$35,000-\$45,000. The next steps are to research other local Districts that have made this change and then reconvene at a later date to discuss.

#### XIV. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

- A. **Directors** Director Giraudo thanked the Firefighters and staff for all they do. Director White stated that all EDHFD's staff are true assets and that he appreciates everything everyone is doing during these trying times.
- **B.** Staff Chief Johnson thanked Captain Mathew Eckhardt, Vice President, and commended him on his calm personality and professionalism.
- C. Schedule upcoming committee meetings None

#### XV. ADJOURNMENT

Director Durante made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Director Hartley and unanimously carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Approved:

Charles J. Hartley, President

Jessica Braddock, Board Secretary