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Board of Directors Summary for **August 6, 2003**

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BOARD MEETING

Under Public Comments...

Caroline Luke, Assistant Principal for Chester W. Morrison Elementary School in Menifee, and Lesa Sobek, Coordinator for the G.R.E.A.T. Program (Grandparents and Graduates Reading, Enriching, and Tutoring), expressed their thanks to **Bob Palmer, Senior Systems Analyst, Information Systems**, for tutoring children at the school during his lunch hour several times a week over the past five years.

The Board...

...conducted a public hearing on water standby assessments and sewage and waste service standby charges for FY 2003-2004 for EMWD's general district service area and Improvement Districts and adopted **Ordinance No. 100**, establishing the schedules

...conducted a public hearing to approve and authorize all items pertaining to Community Facilities District (CFD) 2002-05 (Crown Valley Village)

...by minute order, approved and authorized the funding, construction, and acquisition agreement between EMWD, on behalf of CFD No. 2002-05, and Warm Springs Investments, LTD.

...adopted **Resolution No. 3776**, approving a Joint Community Facilities Agreement with the Valley Wide Park and Recreation District

...adopted **Resolution No. 3789**, establishing CFD No. 2002-05, authorizing the levy of special taxes and calling elections therein

...adopted **Resolution No. 3790**, acting as the legislative body of CFD No. 2002-05, determining the necessity to incur bond indebtedness and calling elections therein

...adopted **Resolution No. 3791**, certifying the results of the August 6, 2003 special tax and bond elections

...adopted **Ordinance No. 98**, authorizing the levy of a special tax within

...adopted **Resolution No. 3410.3**, establishing General Obligation bond tax rates, water standby assessments, sewage and waste service standby charges, assessment district fixed charges, CFD special taxes, and delinquent water and sewer assessments for FY 2003-2004

...approved and authorized funding and acquisition agreements for CFD No. 2002-04 (Sheffield/Rancho Bella Vista), Improvement Area 1

...adopted **Resolution No. 3795**, authorizing and providing for the issuance of 2003 special tax bonds, CFD 2002-04 (Sheffield/Rancho Bella Vista), and approving certain documents and actions

...approved and authorized by minute order an amendment to the agreement with Psomas, Inc., for \$52,395 for a total contract amount of \$320,395 for final design of **Phase I of the Hemet/San Jacinto Integrated Recharge and Recovery Project** and an additional appropriation of \$65,900, which brings the total estimated project cost to \$9,090,600, with the possibility of reimbursement from grant funding; project changes that have increased the scope of work include preparation of as-built drawings for a pump station, addition of electrical modifications at the booster, addition of three monitoring wells, and potholing of existing pipelines

...by minute order, ratified the amendment to the contract with KTA-Tator, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$24,000, bringing the total value of the agreement to \$103,850 for inspection services at the **Keller Rd. Tank I, Pipeline, and Site Improvements Project**

...by minute order, approved and authorized an amendment of \$25,387 to the task order with Carollo Engineers for construction support services associated with Specification No. 812S, **TVRWRF Tertiary Effluent Pump Station**, which brings the total task order cost to \$133,426

...adopted **Resolution No. 3796**, establishing terms and conditions to be associated with the annexation designated as the 72nd Fringe Area (Fieldstone Communities, Inc.) to EMWD and the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD), located south of Murrieta Hot Springs Rd., just east of the I-215 interchange

WORK SESSION

Among several items, General Manager **Tony Pack** announced:

- The District conducted a quarterly disaster training exercise and that performance of the EOC staff has improved significantly; the next exercise will be in the fall and will involve outside agency participation
- Staff met with Jim Ayres, Riverside County Economic Development Agency Representative, regarding the Highway 74 Beautification Project, which will add trees and barrier landscaping along Route 74 from the off ramps to Menifee Rd., including the entrance to Trumble Rd.; discussions continue regarding recycled service
- UCR will begin a Baldrige/Six Sigma Certificate program next spring, addressing continuous improvement processes, and there will be a Baldrige National Government Award offered in 2005; EMWD should be well positioned to compete on a national level
- EMWD has reviewed projects that the District previously approved to received connection fee waivers; only one has additional phases to complete; this project will receive the waiver for future phases
- EVMWD is now taking 600 gpm recycled water for the Canyon Lake Golf Course
- The brine line outage started at 4 p.m. on August 4 and is scheduled through noon on

August 8; Hexfet will discharge at the Chino Desalter during this time

- EMWD will be hosting a meeting with the Temecula Economic Development Corporation and the Mayor's office on August 21 to discuss the brine line developments by the District and tour the Menifee Desalter
- The Planner/Engineer position has been filled and the selected individual is scheduled to begin work in two weeks

In a staff report, **Mike Garner** presented the Recycled Water Master Plan Review, which calls for continuing with the 1997 Water Recycling Development Program. Under this program, it is recommended that agriculture allocations will be maintained but not increased, the municipal market will be developed along existing pipelines, blending of secondary and tertiary effluent water will be replaced with tertiary water whenever possible, and the winter market will be developed. It is also recommended that EMWD index ag rates at the cost of pumping groundwater, gradually increase municipal rates until sales revenue is sufficient to cover operating costs and contribute toward system betterment, and develop winter rates for tertiary agriculture. The Plan also recommends concentrating on developing new users near core facilities to minimize construction costs. Since '97, we have tripled our sales of recycled water, doubled our revenue, and have added 12 new municipal customers. However, we have not progressed as planned in 1997 in the areas of system betterment and expansion due to revenue shortfalls associated with reduced municipal rates, a delay in recycled water use at Diamond Valley Lake, and reduced connection fee revenues. Future plans include evaluating options for funding.