



AMENDED
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
MOULTON NIGUEL WATER DISTRICT
27500 La Paz Road, Laguna Niguel
December 17, 2015
6:00 PM
Approximate Meeting Time: 1 Hour

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Persons wishing to address the Board of Directors on matters not listed on the Agenda may do so at this time. "Request To Be Heard" forms are available at the entrance to the Board Room. Comments are limited to five minutes unless further time is granted by the Presiding Officer. Submit form to the Recording Secretary prior to the beginning of the meeting.

Those wishing to address the Board of Directors on any item listed on the Agenda should submit a "Request To Be Heard" form to the Recording Secretary before the Presiding Officer announces that agenda item. Your name will be called to speak at that time.

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS:(Items on the Consent Calendar have been discussed at the regularly scheduled Engineering/Operations and Finance/IT Board meetings)

Consent items: Unless the General Manager or the Board requests that an item be removed from the Consent Calendar, all items will be acted upon as a whole and by one vote. Requests for discussion of any specific item should be made to the Presiding Officer in conjunction with the discussion of the consent motion.

4. MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 19, 2015 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

GENERAL MANAGER MATTERS:

5. REBATE APPLICATION FOR TURF REMOVAL

It is recommended that the Board of Directors consider the rebate application for the identified project without a limitation on the maximum allowable acreage for the project and direct staff accordingly.

6. HONORING MR. LAURENCE (LARRY) R. LIZOTTE FOR 45 YEARS OF SERVICE
(RESOLUTION NO. 15 -)

It is recommended that the Board of Directors approve the resolution entitled, "Honoring Mr. Laurence (Larry) R. Lizotte for 45 Years of Service."

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

BOARD REPORTS:

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS (Any items added under this section are for discussion at future meetings only.):

LATE ITEMS: (Appropriate Findings to be Made)

- a. Need to take immediate action; and
- b. Need for action came to District's attention after Agenda Posting. [Requires 2/3 vote (5 members) or unanimous vote if less than 2/3 are present]

ADJOURNMENT:

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**DRAFT
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
MOULTON NIGUEL WATER DISTRICT**

November 19, 2015

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Moulton Niguel Water District was held at the District offices, 27500 La Paz Road, Laguna Niguel, California, at 6:00 PM on November 19, 2015. There were present and participating:

DIRECTORS

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| Duane Cave | Director |
| Scott Colton | Vice President |
| Richard Fiore | Director |
| Donald Froelich | President |
| Gary Kurtz | Director |
| Larry Lizotte | Director |

Also present and participating were:

STAFF MEMBERS, LEGAL COUNSEL, AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

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| Joone Lopez | General Manager |
| Matt Collings | Assistant General Manager |
| Marc Serna | Director of Engineering & Operations |
| Gina Hillary | Director of Human Resources |
| Jeff Ferre | Best, Best, & Krieger (General Counsel) |
| Paige Gulck | Board Secretary |
| Michael Bell | Michael Bell Consulting, Inc. |
| Trevor Agrelius | MNWD |
| Drew Atwater | MNWD |
| Tim Bonita | MNWD |
| Johnathan Cruz | MNWD |
| Megan Schneider | MNWD |
| Andrew Zelinko | MNWD |

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Donald Froelich at 6:05 p.m.

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2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Tim Sullivan, from Pizza Lounge, expressed concern regarding odor near their place of business.

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS:(Items on the Consent Calendar have been discussed at the regularly scheduled Engineering/Operations and Finance/IT Board meetings)

4. **MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 2, 2015 SPECIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

5. **MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 15, 2015 REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

*MOTION DULY MADE BY DUANE CAVE AND SECONDED BY SCOTT COLTON
CONSENT ITEMS 4 THROUGH 5 WERE APPROVED AS PRESENTED. THE VOTE
WAS UNANIMOUS WITH DIRECTORS DUANE CAVE, SCOTT COLTON, RICHARD
FIORE, DONALD FROELICH, GARY KURTZ, AND LARRY LIZOTTE ALL VOTING
'AYE'.*

GENERAL MANAGER MATTERS:

None.

PRESENTATIONS:

6. **RECOGNITION OF LARRY LIZOTTE'S 45 YEARS OF SERVICE**

Resolutions from US Representative Mimi Walters, Assemblyman Bill Brough and Senator Pat Bates, Supervisor Bartlett, City of Laguna Niguel, El Toro Water District, Irvine Ranch Water District, Laguna Beach County Water District, Municipal Water District of Orange County, Orange County Water District, Santa Margarita Water District, South Coast Water District, and Trabuco Canyon Water District were presented to Larry Lizotte for his service and dedication to south Orange County over the past 45 years.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

None.

BOARD REPORTS:

None.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS (Any items added under this section are for discussion at future meetings only.):

None.

LATE ITEMS: (Appropriate Findings to be Made)

Staff has none.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Paige Gulck
Board Secretary



Moulton Niguel Water District

STAFF REPORT

TO: Board of Directors **MEETING DATE:** December 17, 2015

FROM: Matt Collings, Assistant General Manager

SUBJECT: Rebate Applications for Turf Removal

DIVISION: District-wide

SUMMARY:

Issue: The District has received an exemption request for a rebate application that exceeded the maximum allowable acreage for turf removal as defined in the approved Board policy.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board of Directors consider the rebate application for the identified project without a limitation on the maximum allowable acreage for the project and direct staff accordingly.

Fiscal Impact: Sufficient funds are available within the Water Use Efficiency Fund to fund the identified rebate application. Additional information is provided within the staff report.

BACKGROUND:

More than half of the water used at the District is for outdoor landscapes. Water efficient landscapes can decrease water use up to 70 percent through a combination of proper plant selection and irrigation technology. However, the cost of installing climate-applicable plants is sometimes an obstacle to turning traditional grass landscapes into more water-efficient environments. The District’s turf replacement program is designed to help residents, businesses, and public agencies make that conversion.

The proposed Kite Hill project was submitted on October 19, 2015, and based on that time frame, is eligible to receive \$2 per square foot from the District. The program provides limitations on the amount of turf removal and/or synthetic turf installation that qualifies for the rebate. The relevant cap for the applicant is 10,000 square feet for District funding.

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All rebates from the District are funded through the Water Efficiency Fund using the incremental revenue generated from the higher consumption tiers (Tiers 3, 4 and 5) in the water budget-based rate structure.

DISCUSSION:

In recent months, the District has expanded its outreach efforts to promote water use efficiency in response to the drought emergency. Customers have responded with requests for nearly 5 million square feet of turf removal and more than 600,000 square feet of synthetic turf installation. The District has received one additional request from a customer to remove 11,350 square feet of turf for one account. Additionally, the Mission Viejo Country Club is requesting to change the square footage of turf to be removed from 1,114,530 square feet to 467,697 square feet due to the loss of Metropolitan Water District funding above \$25,000 for up to 25,000 square feet. They are requesting the same amount of funding initially requested, which is already accounted for in commitments in the Water Use Efficiency Fund. The project proposal results in \$1.43 per square foot. Table 1 identifies the customers and the rebate requests for each of the programs by account.

Table 1 – Rebate Requests

| Customer | Division | Proposed Turf Removal (Sq. Feet) | Proposed Synthetic Turf Installation (Sq. Feet) | Proposed Rebate Value (\$) |
|--|----------|----------------------------------|---|----------------------------|
| Kite Hill Community Association – Acct #96-51653 | 6 | 11,350 | 0 | \$22,700 |
| Mission Viejo Country Club | 1 | 467,697 | 0 | \$668,718 |
| Total | | 479,047 | 0 | \$691,418 |

The values provided above are based on estimates from each of the project proponents and may vary as each project becomes more defined. The proposed rebate incentives for the identified project would be funded from the Water Efficiency Fund.

Staff is recommending the Board remove the maximum allowable acreage to allow the General Manager or her designee to consider each application based on the overall project objectives, various funding sources, and current available budget for rebate funding. Removal of the maximum acreage by the Board of Directors does not constitute an approval of the rebate application, but allows each application to be considered for the full amount of turf removal or synthetic turf installation.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-___

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
MOULTON NIGUEL WATER DISTRICT
HONORING MR. LAURENCE (LARRY) R. LIZOTTE FOR 45 YEARS OF SERVICE**

WHEREAS, Mr. Laurence R. Lizotte has dedicated 45 years of service to the Moulton Niguel Water District Board of Directors, 33 years of which he served as the Board President; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his service on the Moulton Niguel Water District Board of Directors, Mr. Laurence R. Lizotte serves on the Board of Directors for South Orange County Wastewater Authority; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Laurence R. Lizotte has previously served on the boards of Aliso Wastewater Management Authority, South East Regional Reclamation Authority, and South Orange County Reclamation Authority; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Laurence R. Lizotte continues to campaign for prudent policies that provide the public with the highest quality water in the most economical manner; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: The Board of Directors of Moulton Niguel Water District wish to honor Mr. Laurence R. Lizotte for his outstanding contributions and dedication to the water industry, his exemplary leadership during his tenure on the MNWD Board, and for his devoted service to Southern California.

ADOPTED, APPROVED AND SIGNED this 17th day of December, 2015.

President/Vice President
MOULTON NIGUEL WATER DISTRICT
and of the Board of Directors thereof

Secretary/Recording Secretary
MOULTON NIGUEL WATER DISTRICT
and of the Board of Directors thereof

