

HEBER PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

REPORT TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MEETING DATE: March 16, 2023

FROM: Madeline Dessert, General Manager

SUBJECT: General Managers Report

Administration:

The HPUD office will be closed on March 31st in observance of Cesar Chavez Day. “To make a great dream come true, the first requirement is a great capacity to dream; the second is persistence.” -Cesar Chavez

HPUD Board Information:

Governor Newsome terminated the COVID-19 State of Emergency February, 2023. As a result, beginning this month, March 2023, agencies will be required to hold in person meetings.

HPUD will begin holding in person meetings with the additional curtesy of zoom participation, when possible. Our HPUD Board of Directors are required to have a physical quorum present. Additionally, Board members will be required to attend 80% of the HPUD Board meetings in person.

Meetings:

GM attended Pre-Application Meeting with County of Imperial Planning and Developers for McCabe Ranch II Project on February 23.

GM attended Pre-Construction Meeting with Holt Group and Three Peaks Corporation on February 23.

GM attended Emergency Preparedness Summit on February 24.

GM Met with LAFCo, City of Calexico and Developers for Westwind Parking on March 8.

Parks/Rec:

Preconstruction meeting for Children’s Park has been completed, design choices are underway.

Ground was broken on HPUD Recreation Center Patio Project on March 8, expected completion before end of March.

HPUD Rec Center hosted first weekly Senior Activity Day on Thursday, March 9. We had 15 senior participants; lunch was provided by Heber Elementary School District. Seniors played loteria, and participated in a cardio class. Director Diaz Molina volunteered her time and hosted a raffle for the seniors. Seniors requested a Mother's Day Dance in May.

Events:

GM Participated in the Read Across America Event at Heber School where I read to students about water conservation on March 7.

Heber Meadows:

GM is in receipt of proposal from Chelsea investments. General Counsel is in review process.

February Public Comment Follow up:

SHS Band donation is on today's Agenda.

HPUD OPERATIONS:

HPUD staff relocated two fire hydrants at the request of the County of Imperial, one on Parkyns Avenue and one Heffernan Avenue. Staff will begin replacement of pipes under on 11th street, that feed Heber School, during school spring break [April 7 - April 14].

