

HEBER PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

REPORT TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MEETING DATE: August 17, 2023

FROM: Madeline Dessert, General Manager

SUBJECT: General Managers Report

Administration:

The HPUD office will be closed on Monday, September 4th in observance Labor Day. "All labor that uplifts humanity has dignity and importance and should be undertaken with painstaking excellence." - Martin Luther King Jr

HPUD Board Information:

CSDA Training Available September 12, 10:00 am to 12:00 pm – Effective Meeting Management Through Parliamentary Procedure [in-person and virtual attendance options available]

Meetings:

GM attended CSDA General Managers Summit June 24 – June 27

GM attended June 20 IID meeting alongside Director Matus to accept HPUD summer water event grant

GM attended Proyecto Heber Gala along with staff and Director Matus on August 4

GM attended first County Wide Health Care District Advisory Panel with LAFCO meeting on August 9th

GM continues to meet with LAFCO, IID and corresponding agencies in pursuit of Special District Representation on the LAFCO Board

GM met with USDA to discuss funding opportunities for both water and wastewater plants

Parks/Rec:

Preconstruction meeting for Children's Park has been completed, design choices have been submitted, orders have been made for long lead time items. Estimated ground break date: late September/ early October, estimated completion date: mid-April 2024

Senior Activity days are dark for August. Expected to resume September.

HPUD to host Slide Back to School Event August 18, 2023 with a generous donation from the IID

May Public Comment Follow up:

GM had meeting with County Public Works Director on May 17 to discuss street sweeping in Heber and informed Ms. Curry of the outcome. ICPW to go out for Street Sweeping RFP in coming weeks.

HPUD Operations:

HPUD experienced two power outages in August.

HPUD WWTP Funding Search:

Management met with USDA rep on April 25th. USDA Rep originally offered a \$4.5 million Colonia Grant with no match, but upon looking into the Colonia map, realized the Wastewater Treatment Plant falls just outside of the Colonia boundaries. Rep then offered a \$4.5 million grant with a 25% match: USDA: \$3,375,000 HPUD: \$1,125,000. HPUD Staff has requested USDA make an exception on this project falling outside the map or even pursue having the map redrawn.

Staff will submit application for Community Resilience Grant in pursuit of funding for the Waste Water plant project prior to September 18th.