

RESOLUTION NO. WA-2020-03

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE COACHELLA WATER AUTHORITY, APPROVING THE WATER SUPPLY ASSESSMENT DATED NOVEMBER 2017 FOR THE VISTA DEL AGUA PROJECT, APPLICANT: CVC PALM SPRINGS LLC.

WHEREAS, as part of the City of Coachella (the “City”), the Coachella Water Authority (the “Authority”) is a public water system for purposes of California Water Code section 10910 et seq., commonly referred to as California Senate Bill 610 (“SB 610”); and

WHEREAS, SB 610 and related provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) require the preparation and approval of a water supply assessment (“WSA”) in connection with certain proposed development projects (as defined in Water Code section 10912); and

WHEREAS, the proposed Vista Del Agua (“Project”) would allow a maximum of 1640 dwelling units, approximately 25 acres of commercial land uses, approximately 30 acres of open space, including a 14 acre community park, thus qualifying as a project for which a WSA is required; and

WHEREAS, the Authority is the public water system that would provide retail water service to the Project; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with applicable provisions of law, specifically including the requirements of SB 610, City and Authority staff have caused a WSA to be prepared for the Project, which evaluates and concludes, among other things, that the total projected water supplies available to the City during normal, single-dry and multiple-dry years during a 20-year projection will be sufficient to meet the projected water demands associated with the Project, in addition to the City’s other current and planned future uses, including agricultural and manufacturing uses; and

WHEREAS, the WSA utilized and relied in part upon the information, analyses and conclusions set forth in other local and regional water supply planning documents that have been prepared and duly adopted by agencies such as the City, the Authority, the Coachella Valley Water District (“CVWD”) and the California Department of Water Resources, which documents include, without limitation, the City’s 2015 Urban Water Management Plan, CVWD’s 2015 Urban Water Management Plan, CVWD’s 2015 Water Management Plan Update, CVWD’s 2015 Subsequent Programmatic Environmental Impact Report for the 2015 Water Management Plan, and other water supply planning documents; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the 2013 Memorandum of Understanding between the City and CVWD, the WSA has been reviewed by CVWD staff and all comments received during that process have been incorporated in the WSA, wherein as part of its review CVWD has concluded it has the ability to provide sufficient supplemental water supplies to meet Project demands as set forth by the WSA; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Water Code section 10911 and related provisions of CEQA, the WSA has been included in the CEQA review undertaken for the Project, wherein the final WSA was included as an Appendix to the Draft Environmental Impact Report that was prepared for the Project and noticed and circulated for public comment in accordance with CEQA, and where no public comments were received regarding the analyses or conclusions of the WSA; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors wishes to adopt this Resolution to approve the WSA for the Vista Del Agua Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Coachella Water Authority, as follows:

SECTION 1. The Board of Directors finds that the foregoing recitals are true and correct, and are hereby incorporated into this Resolution.

SECTION 2. The Board of Directors finds that analyses and conclusions set forth in the WSA prepared for the proposed Vista Del Agua Project, a copy of which, without attachments and exhibits, is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein by reference, are supported by substantial evidence and reasonable analysis, and are consistent with policies, plans, documents and operations of the City and the Authority.

SECTION 3. Pursuant to the requirements of Water Code sections 10910 et. seq., the Board of Directors hereby approves the WSA prepared for the proposed Vista Del Agua Project.

SECTION 4. In accordance with Water Code section 10914, the WSA does not create a right or entitlement to water service or any specific level of water service, nor does the WSA impose, expand or limit any duty concerning the obligation of the Authority to provide certain services. Water service shall also be subject to applicable fees and charges as they become due, completion of such improvements as may be needed to provide service, and compliance with such water conservation requirements and other conditions of service which may apply to the Project.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 26th day of February 2020.

Steven A. Hernandez
President

ATTEST:

Angela M. Zepeda
Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Carlos Campos
Attorney

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE) ss.
CITY OF COACHELLA)

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution No. WA-2020-03 was duly adopted by the Board of Directors of the Coachella Water Authority at a regular meeting thereof, held on the 26th day of February 2020, by the following vote of the Board:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Andrea J. Carranza, MMC
Deputy City Clerk

EXHIBIT “A”

WATER SUPPLY ASSESSMENT (WITHOUT ATTACHMENTS AND EXHIBITS)

[ATTACHED ON FOLLOWING PAGES]