

AGENDA STAFF REPORT



MEETING NAME: REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS

MEETING DATE(S): NOVEMBER 16 & 20, 2023

FROM: MARION CHAMPION – GOVERNMENT & PUBLIC AFFAIRS MANAGER

FOR: ACTION X DIRECTION INFORMATION

PUBLIC HEARING - ORDINANCE 2023-01 ~ AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MISSION SPRINGS WATER DISTRICT (THE "DISTRICT"), ADOPTED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF WATER CODE "20201 ET SEQ., PROVIDING FOR COMPENSATION OF DIRECTORS OF THE DISTRICT

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended to waive the reading and adopt Ordinance 2023-01 by title only, updating compensation for the Board of Directors pursuant to Water Code 20202 et seq.

SUMMARY

On September 18, 2000, the MSWD Board of Directors adopted Ordinance No. 2000-1, which established a \$100 per day compensation rate for members of the Board with a cap of 10 to provide compensation to members of the Board in an amount not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100) per day for each day's attendance at meetings of the Board of Directors, or for each day's service rendered as a member of the Board, for not more than a total of ten (10) day's service in any calendar month.

During Board meetings on October 12, 2023, and October 16, 2023, Directors discussed options for adjusting the compensation rate for the Board Directors. According to California Water Code Section 20202, "the increase may not exceed an amount equal to five percent (5%), for each calendar year following the operative date of the last adjustment". Based on the last adjustment in 2000, this would allow the Board to increase the compensation rate to an amount that does not exceed \$307.15. During the October 16, 2023 meeting, the Board instructed staff to prepare the required documentation to move forward with a Public Hearing to discuss a compensation rate of \$250 per day of attendance at meetings pre-approved by the Board, limited to one meeting per day, and no more than ten meetings per month, as per the California Water Code §20202 et seq. Notice of the Public Hearing was published in the Desert Sun on November 3, 2023, and November 10, 2023.

FISCAL IMPACT

Should the proposed increase move forward and become effective in March 2024, the Board of Directors' compensation budget would need to be increased by \$26,000 in the fiscal year 2024.

ATTACHMENTS

Draft 2023-01 Ordinance

FINANCIAL DATA		
Cost Associated with this action:	\$26,000	
Current FY cost:	\$60,000	
Future FY cost:	\$150,000	
Is it covered in current year budget:	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Budget adjustment needed:	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, year needed:	2024	
All previous contracts including dates, amounts and board approvals are attached or have been made available.		
FUNDING SOURCES		
Source of funds:	Operating	
BID/Job#	#323	
Current BID/Job balance	\$49,000	
Balance remaining if approved:	\$75,000	