

City of La Quinta

CITY / SA / HA / FA MEETING DATE: January 20, 2015

ITEM TITLE: SELECT A REPRESENTATIVE TO SERVE ON THE COACHELLA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT'S

JOINT WATER POLICY COMMITTEE

AGENDA CATEGORY:

BUSINESS SESSION: 1

CONSENT CALENDAR:

STUDY SESSION:

PUBLIC HEARING:

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Select a representative and an alternate to serve on the Coachella Valley Water District's Joint Water Policy Committee for calendar year 2015.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

- Each year, the City Council selects Councilmembers to serve on a number of committees that provide representation for the City of La Quinta at all levels of government.
- The Coachella Valley Water District's Joint Water Policy Committee (CVWD Committee) serves as an advisory body to the CVWD Board of Directors.
- The committee meets once or twice a year; the next meeting will be held March 19, 2015.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Reimbursable travel costs (mileage and/or meals) may be incurred. Travel costs for the first half of 2015 are included in the approved budget for Fiscal Year 2014/2015. For meetings scheduled in the latter half of 2015, costs will be included in the Fiscal Year 2014/2015 budget.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS:

The CVWD Committee was formed in 2004 to review water policies in the lower valley and make recommendations, with particular respect to management of groundwater supplies and efforts to recharge the aquifer.

The CVWD Committee consists of two members of the CVWD Board of Directors, two appointees from the City of Indio, two from the City of Coachella, and one

representative each from the following: City of La Quinta, Torres Martinez Band of Desert Cahuilla Indians, Riverside County Supervisor's Office, the Building Industry Association, agriculture and aquaculture industries, and golf course operations.

Since its inception in 2004, former Mayor Don Adolph served as La Quinta's representative, and former Councilmember Terry Henderson served as the alternate.

ALTERNATIVES:

Council may choose to discontinue membership on this committee; however, staff recommends continued City representation.

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