

COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee: Finance Committee

Meeting Date: March 25, 2015

Present: Craig Gott(Chair), D. Arrighi, B. Carrera (via conference call),

G. Galindo, D. Michalko (via conference call) and L. Noriega

Staff Present: T. Zampiello, L. Artis, and K. Gardner

I. Review of Draft 2015-16 Administration Budget and Assessment

The Executive Officer, Tony Zampiello, provided a detailed explanation of the Draft 2015-16 Administration Budget. He reviewed each line item providing clarification as needed. Mr. Zampiello reported that Watermaster is now fully staffed, and that is reflected in the Salaries & Benefits item of the Budget. He also reported that the Engineering budget has been increased to reflect expected expenses relating to the BPOU contract renewal and work associated to enhancing Watermaster's groundwater model.

Mr. Zampiello reported that the Draft Budget is based on maintaining the current \$15.00 per acre-foot assessment.

Following discussion among the Committee members, it was recommended that staff add this item for discussion on to the April 1, 2015 Watermaster Board meeting agenda.

INFORMATION ONLY—NO ACTION REQUIRED

II. Discussion Regarding 2014-15 and 2015-16 Assessments

The Executive Officer reported that at the request of the Administrative Committee, staff has prepared a combined resolution for establishment and collection of all Watermaster assessments.

The Committee discussed proposed rates for In-Lieu and Replacement Water assessments and recommended that staff prepare a final draft of the resolution for review by the Administrative Committee at its April meeting.

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III. Other

None.