

AGENDA

HI-DESERT MEMORIAL HEALTH CARE DISTRICT dba MORONGO BASIN HEALTHCARE DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS PUBLIC HEARING MEETING REGARDING BOARD MEMBER COMPENSATION

December 5, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. District Offices | 760.820.9229 | 6530 La Contenta Road, Suite 400, Yucca Valley, CA 92284

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Meeting ID: 222 209 726 500 Passcode: 5Cdq34

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

READING OF MISSION, VISION & CORE VALUES STATEMENTS

- *Mission Statement:* To improve the health and wellness of the communities we serve.
- Vision: A healthy Morongo Basin.
- Core Values: Commitment, Collaboration, Accountability, Dignity, Integrity, Equity.

<u>PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE</u> - *Please stand as able.*

APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

• *Motion 24-72* to approve the meeting agenda as presented.

PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section 32103, the Board of Directors of Hi-Desert Memorial Health Care District (doing business as Morongo Basin Healthcare District) has convened a Public Hearing to receive public comment and consider adoption of a resolution increasing Board member compensation from \$105 per day to \$110 per day for attendance at a meeting of the Board.

Notice of Public Hearing was posted November 20, 2024, and two legal notices were published in the local newspapers on November 20 and 27, 2024, inviting the public to attend the Public Hearing and provide oral and/or written comments.

The text of the proposed Resolution 24-03 adopting the increased stipend is incorporated into this agenda for reference. The resolution will be considered by the Directors at the regular monthly business meeting following this public hearing.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The public comment portion of this Public Hearing provides an opportunity for the public to address the Board of Directors on the proposed increase of compensation for the elected officials for Morongo Basin Healthcare District. The Directors will be unable to respond to the public's comments.

Public comments are to be limited to three minutes per speaker and shall not exceed a total of 20 minutes. All comments are to be directed to the Board of Directors and shall not consist of any personal attacks. Members of the public are expected to maintain a professional, courteous decorum during their comments.

ADJOURN MEETING

I CERTIFY THAT A COPY OF THIS AGENDA WAS POSTED PER SECTION 54954.2 OF THE CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE.

Posted: December 2, 2024

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In conformity with Government Code Section 54957.5, any writing that is a public record, that relates to an item listed on this agenda, and that will be distributed to all or a majority of Morongo Basin Healthcare District Board of Directors less than twenty-four (24) hours prior to the meeting for which this agenda relates, will be available for public inspection at the time the writing is distributed. This inspection may be made during the meeting at the address/meeting room(s) listed above or an electronic copy may be requested in advance of the meeting via email message to kgraley@MBHDistrict.org.

RESOLUTION NO. 24-03 OF HI-DESERT MEMORIAL HEALTH CARE DISTRICT dba MORONGO BASIN HEALTHCARE DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

REGARDING INCREASING COMPENSATION FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

WHEREAS, Health and Safety Code Section 32103(b) authorizes the Board of Directors of Hi-Desert Memorial Health Care District (doing business as Morongo Basin Healthcare District) to increase the amount of compensation received for attending meetings of the Board of Directors by no more than five percent (5%) annually by a resolution adopted pursuant to Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 20200) of Division 10 of the Water Code (Wat. Code, §§ 20200 <u>et seq</u>.); and

WHEREAS, Water Code Section 20200 <u>et seq</u>. sets forth the authority and procedure for establishing compensation for the Board of Directors;

WHEREAS, Water Code Section 20202 authorizes an increase in the amount of compensation that may be received by Directors by no more than five percent (5%) annually following a public hearing;

WHEREAS, Water Code Section 20203 requires that notice of the public hearing be published in a newspaper of general circulation pursuant to Section 6066 of the Government Code;

WHEREAS, Government Code Section 6066 requires that notice of the public hearing be published once a week for two (2) successive weeks, with at least five (5) days intervening between publication dates;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Water Code Section 20204, a resolution adopted pursuant to Chapter 2 of Division 10 of the Water Code shall become effective sixty (60) days from the date of its final passage;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Water Code Section 20204, the voters of Morongo Basin Healthcare District shall have the right, as provided in Chapter 2 of Division 10 of the Water Code, to petition for referendum on any resolution adopted pursuant to such chapter;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Water Code Section 20205, if a petition protesting against the adoption of the resolution is presented to the Board of Directors prior to the effective date of the resolution, the resolution shall be suspended, and the Board of Directors shall reconsider the resolution;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Water Code Section 20206, if the Board of Directors does not repeal the resolution against which a petition is filed, the Board of Directors shall submit the resolution to the voters at a regular election or a special election called for the purpose, and the resolution shall not become effective unless and until a majority of the votes cast at the election are cast in favor of it;

WHEREAS, the compensation for the Board of Directors is currently One Hundred and Five Dollars (\$105.00) per day of service for each Director; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors desires to increase the amount of compensation for Directors by five percent (5%) in accordance with the provisions of the Chapter 2 of Division 10 of the Water Code.

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 20203 of the Water Code and Section 32103(b) of the Health and Safety Code, a public hearing was held on December 5, 2024 at 6:15 p.m. at the District Offices located at 6530 La Contenta Road, Suite 400, Yucca Valley, California, 92284, and a notice of said hearing was duly published in the Hi-Desert Star and The Trail, a newspaper of general circulation, once a week for two weeks prior to each public hearing.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF MORONGO BASIN HEALTHCARE DISTRICT DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The above recitals are true and correct and are hereby incorporated herein by this reference.

<u>Section 2.</u> The amount of compensation to be received by Directors for each day's attendance at meetings of the Board of Directors, or for each day's service rendered by a Director by request of the Board of Directors, shall be in the amount of One Hundred and Ten Dollars (\$110) per day for as many days per month as is lawful.

Section 4. All resolutions, or administrative actions by the Board of Directors, or parts thereof, that are inconsistent with any provision of this resolution are hereby superseded only to the extent of such inconsistency.

<u>Section 5.</u> The Chairperson of the Board of Directors shall sign this resolution and the Secretary of the Board of Directors shall attest thereto, and pursuant to Section 20204 of the Water Code, this resolution shall take effect sixty (60) days from the date of adoption (March 6, 2025).