

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

IDYLLWILD WATER DISTRICT 25945 Highway 243 Idyllwild, CA 92549

June 30, 2023 - 6:00 P.M.

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Topic: Board of Directors Special Meeting

Time: Jun 30, 2023, 06:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

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AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any person may address the Board at this time upon any subject not identified on this Agenda but within the jurisdiction of the district. Please note that for items not listed on the agenda, the Brown Act imposes limitations on what the Board may do at this time. The Board may not act on the item at this meeting. As to matters on the agenda, people will be given an opportunity to address the Board when the matter is considered. Each speaker will be given four (4) minutes to address the Board. Comments should be directed at the Board as a whole and not directed at individual Board members.



ACTION ITEMS

1. APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 794 GIVING NOTICE OF A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 7, 2023, FOR THE ELECTION OF A BOARD MEMBER TO FILL A VACANCY – 10 Minutes

The Board of Directors will consider approving Resolution No. 794 to call for an election in November 2023 to fill a board vacancy.

DIRECTORS COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 19, 2023, to be held at the Idyllwild Water District Boardroom, 25945 Hwy. 243, Idyllwild, CA 92549.

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Memo

To: Board of Directors

From: Leo Havener, General Manager

Date: June 30, 2023

Subject: <u>Item 1 – Resolution Calling Special Election</u>

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Board of Directors:

1. Approve Resolution No. 794 of the Board of Directors of the Idyllwild Water District Calling and Giving Notice of a Special Election to be held on November 7, 2023, for the Election of a Board Member to fill a Vacancy.

Background:

Board Member Gino Schneider submitted his resignation effective April 5, 2023. Board Member Schneider's term expires in November 2026. Pursuant to Government Code section 1780, within 60 days of the vacancy the Board may either make an appointment to fill the vacancy until the next regular election in November 2024, or call a special election to fill the entirety of the unexpired term. In the event the Board does not make an appointment or call a special election, the Riverside County Board of Supervisors may appoint a person to fill the vacancy within 90 days of the vacancy, or the Board of Supervisors may order the Agency to call an election to fill the vacancy.

If within 90 days of the vacancy effective date neither the District Board nor the Board of Supervisors have filled the vacancy and no election has been called, then the District Board is required to call an election to fill the vacancy. The Board met on June 7, 2023, and did not reach consensus as to an appointment or calling a special election. On June 26, 2023, the District was informed that the Board of Supervisors would not be making an appointment or calling a special election. Therefore, pursuant to Government Code section 1780(g)(1), the

Board of Directors is required to call an election to fill the vacancy. The election must be held at the next regularly scheduled election date that is more than 130 days after the adoption of the resolution calling the election. The next regularly scheduled election date is November 7, 2023. The last day to call the election, prior to the 130th day before November 7, 2023, is Friday, June 30, 2023.

In the event the Board does not adopt a Resolution calling a special election to fill the vacancy by June 30, 2023, the next available election date would be Tuesday, March 5, 2024. Former Director Schneider's seat would remain vacant until that time.

Fiscal Impact:

The Riverside County Registrar of Voters has provided an estimate of approximately \$5,000 – \$10,000 to conduct the election on November 7, 2023. There are no other elections being held in the jurisdictional boundaries of the Idyllwild Water District on that date, therefore the District is required to pay the full cost of conducting the election, with no cost sharing between other agencies. Should the election be held on March 5, 2024, for any reason, the estimated cost is approximately 50% of the cost compared to the November 2023 election date. This cost reduction is due to the consolidated primary election being held in March 2024 and the ability of the District to share election costs with the County and any other agency conducting an election on that date.

Conclusion:

It is recommended that the Board of Directors adopt Resolution No. 794 calling the special election to fill a Board Member vacancy on November 7, 2023.

Attachments:

Resolution No. 794



RESOLUTION NO. 794 A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE IDYLLWILD WATER DISTRICT CALLING AND GIVING NOTICE OF A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 7, 2023, FOR THE ELECTION OF A BOARD MEMBER TO FILL A VACANCY

WHEREAS, a vacancy currently exists on the Board of Directors of the Idyllwild Water District, a Community Services District, in the seat formerly held by Director Gino Schneider; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Government Code Section 1780(e), this Board may provide for filling the vacancy by calling an election to be held on the next established election date provided in Chapter 1 of Division 1 of the California Elections Code that is 130 or more days after the date that the election is called; and

WHEREAS, the next established election date set forth in the California Elections Code which is 130 or more days after the date of the adoption of this Resolution is November 7, 2023; and

WHEREAS, this Board of Directors wishes to provide for the filling of the vacancy by election so that the voters of the District may determine which candidate shall be selected to fill that position on the Board of Directors,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of Idyllwild Water District, as follows:

- Pursuant to Government Code Section 1780(e) an election shall be conducted within the District on November 7, 2023, for the voters of the District to determine who shall be elected to fill the position on the Board of Directors previously held by Director Gino Schneider.
- **SECTION 2.** The Board hereby requests that the election to fill a vacancy in the Board be consolidated with any other election to be held on November 7, 2023, within the territory.
- SECTION 3. The Board further requests the Registrar of Voters for the County of Riverside conduct, in conjunction with any other election to be held on November 7, 2023, and in compliance with all applicable laws, the election to fill a vacancy in the Board.
- **SECTION 4.** The Secretary of the Board of Directors shall transmit a certified copy of this Resolution to the Registrar of Voters for the County of Riverside.