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Board of Directors
Triunfo Water & Sanitation District
Ventura County, California

POTABLE WATER CUSTOMER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM RESOLUTION NO. T2020-006

Summary

At the July 27, 2020, Triunfo Water & Sanitation District's (District) Board Meeting, staff presented options on a utility assistance program for customers residing in Oak Park. Your Board approved a \$15.00 per month discount to qualified potable water customers on an interim basis through June 30, 2021. Customers will qualify by providing either confirmed participation in the CARE program, verified via electric or gas utility providers, or by supplying the first page of their 1040 tax return to validate the income threshold. This financial assistance program is being offered as a pilot program and will be reevaluated by the Board early next year. It is recommended the Board review and approve Resolution No. T2020-006.

Please contact me at 805-658-4621 or email marknorris@triunfowsd.com if you have any questions or need additional information.

Fiscal Impact

The fiscal impact is anticipated to be minimal. The funding source for this interim program will be from unanticipated cell site revenues.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board approve TWSD Resolution No. T2020-006 and authorize the Chair to sign to implement a temporary potable water assistance program through June 30, 2021, to provide a \$15/month credit to qualifying customers residing in Oak Park.

REVIEWED AND APPROVED:

Mark Norris - General Manager

Attachment: TWSD Resolution No. T2020-006

RESOLUTION NO. TWSD 2020-006

A RESOLUTION OF THE TRIUNFO WATER & SANITATION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS ESTABLISHING A POTABLE WATER CUSTOMER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR OAK PARK, CA RESIDENTS

WHEREAS, the Triunfo Water & Sanitation District ("District") is duly organized and established under California Health and Safety Code Section 4700 et seq., known and cited as the "County Sanitation District Act" ("Act"); and

WHEREAS, Section 4767 of the Act authorizes the District to acquire, distribute and retail water supplies to its Customers for domestic and other uses; and

WHEREAS, the District provides retail water services to certain Customers and, in accordance with applicable law, charges those Customers certain fees designed to cover the District's wholesale purchase of potable water from Calleguas Municipal Water District, as well as operating and maintenance expenses associated with the District's provision of water service; and

WHEREAS, Health and Safety Code Section 4766 authorizes the District to adopt ordinances for the purpose of exercise and effect of any to its powers, or for the purposes for which it is formed, including, without limitation, an ordinance establishing policies and procedures for the District's retail sale of water; and

WHEREAS, the District has duly adopted Ordinance No. TWSD-300 which provides for the establishment of policies and procedures for potable water service; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the California Alternative Rates for Energy (CARE) program under the CPUC, the District wants to establish an interim potable water customer assistance program for income qualifying residents of Oak Park, CA.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND DETERMINED, THAT:

- 1. All recitals contained above are true and incorporated by reference herein.
- 2. The District adopts the requirements of the CARE program for income thresholds with the maximum amount for 1-2 people being \$34,480.
- 3. Acceptance into the District's program will be confirmed by participation in the CARE program, verified via electric or gas utility providers, or by supplying the first page of their 1040 tax return to validate compliance with the income thresholds established by the CARE program.
- 4. Qualified customers will receive assistance in the form of a \$15/month discount for potable water service reflected on their monthly billing statement.

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Clerk of the Board

5. This interim assistance program will remain in force until June 30, 2021, wherein the Board of Directors will either choose to extend it via a continuing resolution or adopt it as policy under TWSD Ordinance No. TWSD-300.

PASSED following vote:), APPROVED,	AND	ADOPTED	this	24 th	day	of	August,	2020	by	the
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NOES:											
ABSENT:											
ABSTAIN:											
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Attest:											
Juliet Rodriguez	<u></u>		_								

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