

Tracy Rural County Fire Protection District

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Board of Directors – Regular Meeting Agenda Tuesday, January 21th, 2020 835 Central Ave, Tracy, CA 1:00 PM

1. Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance

2. Public Comment

Please, give your name, entity (if any), and address as well as what agenda item you wish to speak about to the Clerk of the Board so that your comments may be heard at the appropriate time. Comments must be limited to 3 minutes.

3. Consent Calendar

- A. Adoption of the Agenda
- B. Approval of the Minutes

4. Regular Agenda

- A. Approval of Financials
- B. SSJCFA Report on Replacement Engine Payment Options.

5. Staff Reports

- A. Updates on Station 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9 (All)
- B. Staff report on Director's fees. Information only, no action.

6. Board Member Comment

For any items not on the agenda and requests for future agenda items.

7. Public Comment

For any items not on the agenda.

8. Closed Session

9. Adjournment until Next Regular Session – February 18, 2020

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Board of Directors – Closed Meeting Agenda Tuesday, January 21th, 2020 835 Central Ave, Tracy, CA Following the Regular Meeting

1. Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance

2. Public Comment

Council will vote on limiting total time and individual times per Brown Act §54954.3. (b) (1). At this time, members of the public may only comment on an item appearing on the agenda. Please adhere to the following when addressing the Council: • Individual comments will be limited to 3 minutes or less. • Comments should be directed to the Council as a whole and not directed to individual Council Members

3. Adjourn to Closed Meeting

a. Consult with legal counsel regarding potential litigation. One case. Pursuant to California Government Code section 54956.9.

b. Consult with legal counsel regarding existing litigation (Tracy Rural Fire District v. San Joaquin Local Area Formation Commission, San Joaquin Superior Court Case No. 2019-9687). One case. Pursuant to California Government Code section 54956.9.

c. Consulting services potential agreement review.

4. Reconvene to Regular Meeting

5. Report out of Closed Meeting

6. Adjournment

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Board of Directors – Regular Meeting Minutes Tuesday, December 17th, 2019 835 Central Ave, Tracy, CA 1:00 PM

1. Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance

All Directors present. Legal counsel (Bowman), clerk, finance admin, and Fire Chief for SJSCFA also present.

2. Public Comment

No public comment.

3. Consent Calendar

Financials pulled for discussion. Motion to approve the rest of the consent calendar by Vieira, seconded by Reece. Passed unanimously. Financials reviewed and motion to approve by Ramsey, seconded by Viera. Passed unanimously.

4. Regular Agenda

- A. Resolution 2020-6: To Adopt Action Minute Policy. Motion to approve by Viera, seconded by Ramsey. Passed unanimously.
- B. Resolution 2020-7: To Authorize Replacement Engine Purchase and Annual Funding. Motion to approve amended Resolution 2020-7 by Ramsey, seconded by Pombo. Passed unanimously.
- C. Nexus study tabled for following meeting.

5. Staff Reports

- A. Updates on Station 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9 (All). No action taken.
- B. Review JPA C.F.O. status. No action taken.

6. Board Member Comment

No board member comment.

7. Adjournment to Closed Session. Return to Regular Meeting.

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8. Public Comment

No public comment.

9. Adjournment until the Regular Meeting on January 21, 2020 at 1:00p.m.

Signature: _____



Date: _____

1/16/2020

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3. Adjourn to Closed Meeting

- a. Potential litigation: Tabled for next meeting due to time limitations.
- b. Update from legal counsel regarding existing litigation (Tracy Rural Fire District v. San Joaquin Local Area Formation Commission, San Joaquin Superior Court Case No. 2019-9687). One case. Pursuant to California Government Code section 54956.9.
- c. Potential consultant agreement tabled for next meeting due to time limitations.

4. Reconvene to Regular Meeting

5. Report out of Closed Meeting

6. Adjournment

ATTEST:



Date: _____

1/16/2020

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Resolution No. 2020-6

A RESOLUTION OF TRACY RURAL COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT TO ADOPT ACTION MINUTE POLICY

WHEREAS, transparent management is an important function of Special Districts,
and

WHEREAS, this Board of Directors has emphasized the need for more effective and
visible transparency,

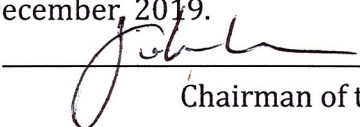
WHEREAS, this Board believes that transparency includes keeping stakeholders
aware of the Board's activities such as funding, Board actions, recommendations, and
status of fire protection services,

WHEREAS, the recordation of the Board's actions promotes transparency, and


WHEREAS, the keeping of a record of the Board's action creates a written history
that allows stakeholders and current and future board members to become aware of the
Board's past actions,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Directors of Tracy Rural County
Fire Protection District does approve of establishing the Action Minutes Policy. Motion to
approve was made by Vieira and second was made by
Ramsey.

Motion passed.
Passed, approved, and adopted this 17 day of December, 2019.


Chairman of the Board

ATTEST:


Natalie Bowman, Clerk of the Board



South San Joaquin County Fire Authority

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STAFF REPORT

TO: Board of Directors MEETING DATE: January 21, 2020

PREPARED BY: Pat Vargas, Fire Division Chief

APPROVED BY: Randall Bradley, Fire Chief

REQUEST:

FOLLOWING THE APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2020-7 ON 12/17/19, WHICH APPROVED THE PURCHASE OF ONE NEW REPLACEMENT ENGINE FROM PIERCE MANUFACTURING, INC. FOR THE AMOUNT OF \$697,681.75 UNDER A COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT THROUGH THE HOUSTON GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL, AUTHORIZE EITHER PRE-PAYMENT OR LEASE PURCHASE AGREEMENT.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the TRFPD choose one of two purchase methods for one fire engine from Pierce Manufacturing, Inc. under a cooperative purchasing agreement through the Houston Galveston area Council in the amount of \$697,681.75, either by pre-payment or lease agreement.

BACKGROUND

On December 17, 2019 the board passed resolution 2020-7 approving the purchase of on new fire engine and required equipment. Further agreeing to fund a long term purchase methodology. This staff report informs the precise costs and provides two possible funding mechanisms.

The apparatus can be purchase utilizing the one of two methods:

1. Pre-payment at time of order \$697,681.75
2. Lease agreement
 - a. 3 years/interest rate 2.96% Annual payment \$246,480.98
 - b. 5 years/ interest rate 2.98% Annual payment \$152,272.41
 - c. 7 years interest rate 3.03% Annual payment \$112,125.89
 - d. 10 years interest rate 3.07% Annual payment \$ 82,098.76

The Tracy Rural Fire Protection District, operating as a member agency under the South San Joaquin County Fire Authority joint powers agreement, has identified the need to purchase replace a fire engine to meet the population and call demands for the South San Joaquin County Fire Authority. The current district fire engine asset number 9016 (E94) a 2003 Peirce engine has reached the end of its life cycle and was due for replacement in Fiscal Year 2013/2014.

DISCUSSION

The City of Tracy and the Tracy Rural Fire Protection District have provided coordinated fire protection services through a Joint Powers Authority agreement established September of 1999. On July 1, 2018, the original JPA was dissolved and the City of Tracy and Tracy Rural Fire Protection District both became Member Agencies of the South San Joaquin County Fire Authority (SSJCFA). The SSJCFA provides fire protection for the City of Tracy, as well as, those areas within the Tracy Rural Fire Protection District

The South San Joaquin County Fire Authority is an all-hazards fire department and has unique response challenges. Responding to manufacturing complexes, distribution warehouses, commercial and retail, suburban residential, rural environments, and highways spread over approximately 180 square miles. Common denominators in many of the documents studied regarding apparatus replacement, included; firefighter and citizen safety, response efficiency, purchase and repair cost control, budget prediction consistency, vehicle statute compliance, and new technology integration.

The selection and purchase of apparatus and equipment must take into account several factors. The primary factor is the safety of the fire fighters and the public. One of the sixteen (16) Firefighter Life Safety initiatives of the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation states: "Safety must be a primary consideration in the design of apparatus and equipment." The Commission on Fire Accreditation International (CFAI) emphasizes the role fire, EMS and support apparatus and vehicle acquisition and maintenance plays in an efficient, safe, and effective fire department. Progressive fire departments use this criterion, and others, as a benchmark for determining the best and safest service possible. The CFAI has published the following *Apparatus Criterion Performance Indicators*, are referenced below:

1. Apparatus resources designed and purchased to be adequate to meet the agency's goals and objectives.
2. Apparatus is located to accomplish the stated standards of response coverage and service level objectives.
3. Apparatus types are appropriate for the functions served, i.e. operations, staff, support services, specialized services and administration.

The current edition of the NFPA Handbook, states, "In general, a 10 to 15 year life expectancy is considered normal for first line pumping engines". In some types of service, a limit of only 10 years may be reasonable for first line pumpers."

Purchasing apparatus through the Houston Galveston Area Council allows buyers to choose a vendor based upon factors other than strictly cost. It allows the fleet managers to purchase proven components based upon life cycle and service to the agency. It allows the buyers to consider fleet consistency for both maintenance and operational considerations. Because HGAC competitive bids several manufactures of like products in specific categories, it allows for the best pricing while maintaining a choice of proven products for the buyers.

FISCAL IMPACTS


This purchase is not a budgeted item for Fiscal Year 2019/20 and requires either appropriation to pre-pay in full for \$697,681.75 or a lease agreement for the amount of \$697,681.75 with applicable interest and lease fees entered into between the TRCFPD and Community leasing partners. Lease agreement will result in additional lease fees based on the term of the lease.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Golden State Fire Apparatus Proposal
2. Lease Options
3. Resolution 2020-7


BOARD CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:


BOARD CLERK

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR
CONDUCTING BUSINESS OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF TRACY
RURAL FIRE PROTECTION
DISTRICT



It is the policy of the District to encourage Board development and excellence of performance by reimbursing expenses incurred for tuition, travel, lodging and meals as a result of training, educational courses, participation with professional organizations, and attendance at local, state and national conferences associated with the interests of the District. Notification should be provided to the Board of Directors for meetings, travel and conferences outside of the District. **Prior approval for the expenses necessary will be made by the Board President or his/her designee.** The Board Clerk is responsible for making arrangements for Directors for conference and registration expenses, and for per diem (at Fire District mandated per diem allowance.) Per Diem, when appropriate, shall include reimbursement of expenses for meals, lodging and travel. All expenses for which reimbursement is requested by Directors or which are billed to the District by Directors shall be submitted to the Board Clerk, together with validated receipts.

Upon returning from seminars, workshops, conferences, etc., where expenses are reimbursed by the District, Directors will either prepare a written report for distribution to the Board, or make a verbal report during the next regular meeting of the Board. Said report shall detail what was learned at the sessions that will be of benefit to the District. Materials from the sessions may be delivered to the District office to be included in the District library for the future use of other Directors and staff.

Internal District Training

Board members are encouraged to observe fire ground and disaster training events, to foster a better understanding of the knowledge, skills and abilities required of Command Staff and Line personnel in performing their duties. Request for attendance shall be submitted to the Fire Chief in advance of the training for approval.

3.3 Directors' Compensation and Reimbursement

The Fire District may reimburse Board members at the rate of \$100.00 per meeting up to 6 meetings for any expenses incurred in attending regularly scheduled Board Meetings, Special Meetings, and Committee Meetings when approved by the Board of Directors or when in response to subpoenas or legal actions to a maximum of \$600.00 per month.

The Board shall reimburse District Board members for reasonable expenses actually incurred while on Fire District business. Such reimbursement shall extend only to the bona fide expenses of District Board members, and shall not include recompense for a spouse's or companion's costs. Each Board member shall present a statement, supported by appropriate documentation, before reimbursement is made.

3.4 Board Vacancies

Pursuant to California State Law, a vacancy on the Board shall occur if any member ceases to discharge the duty of his/her office for the period of three (3) consecutive months except as authorized by the Board of Directors or any of the following:

1. An adjudication pursuant to a quo warrantor proceeding declaring that the incumbent is physically or mentally incapacitated due to disease, illness, or accident that the incumbent would not be able to perform the duties of his or her office.



AB-2329 Special districts: board of directors: compensation. (2017-2018)

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Assembly Bill No. 2329

CHAPTER 170

An act to amend Sections 9031, 13857, and 32103 of the Health and Safety Code, to amend Sections 5536 and 5784.15 of the Public Resources Code, and to amend Section 22407 of the Public Utilities Code, relating to special districts.

[Approved by Governor August 20, 2018. Filed with Secretary of State August 20, 2018.
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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2329, Obernolte. Special districts: board of directors: compensation.

(1) Existing law authorizes the board of trustees of a public cemetery district to approve an ordinance or resolution to compensate its members no more than \$100 to attend a board meeting, for no more than 4 meetings per month, and authorizes a public cemetery district board of trustees to increase that compensation by no more than 5% annually.

This bill would authorize a public cemetery district board of trustees to compensate its members for no more than 6 meetings in a calendar month. The bill would require the board of trustees, commencing January 1, 2019, if the district compensates its members for more than 4 meetings in a calendar month, to annually adopt a written policy describing, based on a finding supported by substantial evidence, why more than 4 meetings per calendar month are necessary for the effective operation of the district.

(2) Under the Fire Protection District Law of 1987, each member of the board of directors of a fire protection district may receive compensation in an amount set by the board not to exceed \$100 for attending each meeting of the board, not to exceed 4 meetings in any calendar month.

This bill would authorize a fire protection district board of directors to compensate its members for no more than 6 meetings in any calendar month. The bill would require the board of directors, commencing January 1, 2019, if the district compensates its members for more than 4 meetings in a calendar month, to annually adopt a written policy describing, based on a finding supported by substantial evidence, why more than 4 meetings per calendar month are necessary for the effective operation of the district.

(3) Existing law authorizes the board of directors of a hospital district to approve a resolution to compensate its members no more than \$100 to attend a board meeting for no more than 5 meetings per month.

This bill would authorize a hospital district board of directors to compensate its members for no more than 6 meetings in a calendar month and to increase that compensation by no more than 5% annually. The bill would require the board of directors, commencing January 1, 2019, if the district compensates its members for more than 5 meetings in a calendar month, to annually adopt a written policy describing, based on a finding supported by substantial evidence, why more than 5 meetings per calendar month are necessary for the effective operation of the district.

(4) Existing law authorizes the board of directors of a regional park district, regional park and open-space district, or regional open-space district to provide, by ordinance or resolution, that each of its members may receive an amount not to exceed \$100 per day for each attendance at a meeting of the board, and prohibits board members from receiving any other compensation for meetings, or from receiving more than \$500 compensation in any one calendar month.

This bill would provide that board members shall not receive compensation for more than 6 meetings of the board in a calendar month and would authorize the board of directors, by specified ordinance, to increase the amount of compensation received for attending meetings of the board. The bill would require the board of directors, commencing January 1, 2019, if the district compensates its members for more than 5 meetings in a calendar month, to annually adopt a written policy describing, based on a finding supported by substantial evidence, why more than 5 meetings per calendar month are necessary for the effective operation of the district.

(5) Existing law, the Recreation and Park District Law, provides that each member of the board of directors of a recreation and park district may receive compensation in an amount not to exceed \$100 for attending each meeting of the board, and requires the maximum compensation in any calendar month to be \$500.

This bill would provide that board members shall not receive compensation for more than 6 meetings of the board in a calendar month. The bill would require the board of directors, commencing January 1, 2019, if the district compensates its members for more than 5 meetings in a calendar month, to annually adopt a written policy describing, based on a finding supported by substantial evidence, why more than 5 meetings per calendar month are necessary for the effective operation of the district.

(6) Existing law requires each member of the board of directors of an airport district to receive compensation in an amount not to exceed \$100 for each attendance at the meeting of the board held within the district, which amount is fixed by the board. Existing law prohibits a director from receiving pay for more than 4 meetings in any calendar month.

This bill would authorize an airport district board of directors to compensate its members for no more than 6 meetings in a calendar month and to increase that compensation by no more than 5% annually. The bill would require the board of directors, commencing January 1, 2019, if the district compensates its members for more than 4 meetings in a calendar month, to annually adopt a written policy describing, based on a finding supported by substantial evidence, why more than 4 meetings per calendar month are necessary for the effective operation of the district.

Vote: majority Appropriation: no Fiscal Committee: no Local Program: no

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Section 9031 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

9031. (a) The board of trustees may provide, by ordinance or resolution, that each of its members may receive compensation in an amount not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100) for attending each meeting of the board. A member of the board of trustees shall not receive compensation for more than six meetings of the board in a calendar month. Commencing January 1, 2019, if the district compensates its members for more than four meetings in a calendar month, the board of trustees shall annually adopt a written policy describing, based on a finding supported by substantial evidence, why more than four meetings per calendar month are necessary for the effective operation of the district.

(b) The board of trustees, by ordinance adopted pursuant to Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 20200) of Division 10 of the Water Code, may increase the amount of compensation received for attending meetings of the board.

(c) In addition, members of the board of trustees may receive their actual and necessary traveling and incidental expenses incurred while on official business other than a meeting of the board.

(d) A member of the board of trustees may waive any or all of the payments permitted by this section.

(e) For the purposes of this section, a meeting of the board of trustees includes, but is not limited to, regular meetings, special meetings, closed sessions, emergency meetings, board field trips, district public hearings, or meetings of a committee of the board.

(f) For purposes of this section, the determination of whether a trustee's activities on any specific day are compensable shall be made pursuant to Article 2.3 (commencing with Section 53232) of Chapter 2 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the Government Code.

(g) Reimbursement for these expenses is subject to Sections 53232.2 and 53232.3 of the Government Code.

SEC. 2. Section 13857 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

13857. (a) Subject to subdivision (b), each member of the district board may receive compensation in an amount set by the district board not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100) for attending each meeting of the district board. The number of meetings for which a member of the board of directors may receive compensation shall not exceed six meetings in any calendar month. Commencing January 1, 2019, if the district compensates its members for more than four meetings in a calendar month, the district board shall annually adopt a written policy describing, based on a finding supported by substantial evidence, why more than four meetings per month are necessary for the effective operation of the district.

(b) The district board, by ordinance adopted pursuant to Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 20200) of Division 10 of the Water Code, may increase the compensation received by the district board members above the amount prescribed by subdivision (a).

(c) For purposes of this section, the determination of whether a director's activities on any specific day are compensable shall be made pursuant to Article 2.3 (commencing with Section 53232) of Chapter 2 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the Government Code.

SEC. 3. Section 32103 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

32103. (a) The board of directors shall serve without compensation except that the board of directors, by a resolution adopted by a majority vote of the members of the board, may authorize the payment of not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100) per meeting not to exceed six meetings a calendar month as compensation to each member of the board of directors. Commencing January 1, 2019, if the district compensates its members for more than five meetings in a calendar month, the board of directors shall annually adopt a written policy describing, based on a finding supported by substantial evidence, why more than five meetings per month are necessary for the effective operation of the district.

(b) The board of directors, by ordinance adopted pursuant to Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 20200) of Division 10 of the Water Code, may increase the amount of compensation received for attending meetings of the board by no more than 5 percent annually.

(c) Each member of the board of directors shall be allowed his or her actual necessary traveling and incidental expenses incurred in the performance of official business of the district as approved by the board. For purposes of this section, the determination of whether a director's activities on any specific day are compensable shall be made pursuant to Article 2.3 (commencing with Section 53232) of Chapter 2 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the Government Code. Reimbursement for these expenses is subject to Sections 53232.2 and 53232.3 of the Government Code.

SEC. 4. Section 5536 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:

5536. (a) The board shall establish rules for its proceedings.

(b) The board may provide, by ordinance or resolution, that each of its members may receive an amount not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100) per day for each attendance at a meeting of the board. For purposes of this section, a meeting of the board includes, but is not limited to, closed sessions of the board, board field trips, district public hearings, or meetings of a committee of the board. The maximum compensation allowable to a board member on any given day shall be one hundred dollars (\$100). Board members shall not receive compensation for more than six meetings of the board in a calendar month, except that board members of the East Bay Regional Park District may receive compensation for not more than 10 days in any one calendar month. A board member may elect to waive the per diem. In addition, the board may provide, by ordinance or resolution, that each of its members not otherwise eligible for an employer-paid or partially employer-paid group medical or group dental plan, or both, may participate in any of those plans available to permanent employees of the district on the same terms available to those district employees or on terms and conditions as the board may determine. A board member who elects to participate in any plan may also elect to have the premium for the

plan charged against his or her per diem and may further elect to waive the balance of the per diem. Commencing January 1, 2019, if the district compensates its members for more than five meetings in a calendar month, the board shall annually adopt a written policy describing, based on a finding supported by substantial evidence, why more than five meetings per month are necessary for the effective operation of the district.

(c) The board of directors, by ordinance adopted pursuant to Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 20200) of Division 10 of the Water Code, may increase the amount of compensation received for attending meetings of the board.

(d) All vacancies on the board shall be filled in accordance with the requirements of Section 1780 of the Government Code, except that, in the case of vacancies caused by the creation of new wards or subdistricts, the directors shall, prior to the vacancies being filled, determine by lot, for the purpose of fixing the terms of the first directors to be elected to the wards or subdistricts, which ward or subdistrict shall have a four-year term and which ward or subdistrict shall have a two-year term. The persons who fill the vacancies caused by the establishment of new wards or subdistricts shall hold office until the next general election and until their successors are elected and qualified for the terms previously determined by lot.

(e) For purposes of this section, the determination of whether a director's activities on any specific day are compensable shall be made pursuant to Article 2.3 (commencing with Section 53232) of Chapter 2 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the Government Code.

SEC. 5. Section 5784.15 of the Public Resources Code is amended to read:

5784.15. (a) The board of directors may provide, by ordinance or resolution, that each of its members may receive compensation in an amount not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100) for attending each meeting of the board. The board of directors, by ordinance adopted pursuant to Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 20200) of Division 10 of the Water Code, may increase the amount of compensation received for attending meetings of the board.

(b) Board members shall not receive compensation for more than six meetings of the board in a calendar month. The board of directors shall, commencing January 1, 2019, if the district compensates its members for more than five meetings in a calendar month, annually adopt a written policy, based on a finding supported by substantial evidence, why more than five meetings per month are necessary for the effective operation of the district.

(c) In addition, members of the board of directors may receive their actual and necessary traveling and incidental expenses incurred while on official business.

(d) A member of the board of directors may waive the compensation.

(e) For the purposes of this section, a meeting of the board of directors includes, but is not limited to, regular meetings, special meetings, closed sessions, emergency meetings, board field trips, district public hearings, or meetings of a committee of the board.

(f) For purposes of this section, the determination of whether a director's activities on any specific day are compensable shall be made pursuant to Article 2.3 (commencing with Section 53232) of Chapter 2 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the Government Code.

(g) Reimbursement for these expenses is subject to Sections 53232.2 and 53232.3 of the Government Code.

SEC. 6. Section 22407 of the Public Utilities Code is amended to read:

22407. (a) Each member of the board of directors shall receive compensation in an amount not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100) for each attendance at the meeting of the board held within the district, which amount shall be fixed from time to time by the board. A director shall not receive pay for more than six meetings in any calendar month. The board of directors shall, commencing January 1, 2019, if the district compensates its members for more than four meetings per calendar month, adopt a written policy, based on a finding supported by substantial evidence, why more than four meetings per month are necessary for the effective operation of the district. The board of directors, by ordinance adopted pursuant to Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 20200) of Division 10 of the Water Code, may increase the amount of compensation received for attending meetings of the board by no more than 5 percent annually.

(b) Each director shall be allowed, with the approval of the board, all traveling and other expenses necessarily incurred by the member in the performance of the member's duties. For purposes of this section, the determination of whether a director's activities on any specific day are compensable shall be made pursuant to Article 2.3 (commencing with Section 53232) of Chapter 2 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the Government Code. Reimbursement for these expenses is subject to Sections 53232.2 and 53232.3 of the Government Code.