

MEMORANDUM
CITY OF LANCASTER, CA

TO: Mayor Parris and City Council Members

FROM: Vice Mayor Ron Smith

DATE: September 13, 2011

SUBJECT: **Report on the Activities of the Board of Directors for District No. 14 of the County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County**

Recommendation:

Receive a report of the proceedings and issues discussed at the August 25, 2011, District No. 14 Board of Directors meeting of the County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County.

Background:

District No. 14 of the County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County is organized to receive through their trunk sewers the wastewater from all of the City of Lancaster, a small region of the westerly portion of the City of Palmdale, and a smaller region of the unincorporated County of Los Angeles. A Board of Directors comprised of a representative from each city and the County generally meets monthly to review and decide upon the business of the District.

At the August 25, 2011, regular meeting, the Board of Directors considered the following agenda items:

- The Board adopted an ordinance authorizing the acceptance of credit cards, debit cards, and electronic funds transfer as payment for District fees and charges. The ordinance had been introduced at the July 28, 2011, meeting. The Districts would charge a “convenience” fee which would not exceed the cost of providing the service causing the Districts to be cost-neutral. This would allow customers to pay fees with credit cards, etc. for everything except what is charged on a property tax bill.
- The Board approved and ordered executed an agreement in the form of a joint resolution with the County of Los Angeles, Lancaster Cemetery District, Antelope Valley Mosquito & Vector Control District, Antelope Valley Resource Conservation District, Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency, and Palm Ranch Irrigation District approving and accepting the negotiated exchange of property tax revenues resulting from annexation no. 412. This is a 1.3 acre parcel southwest of Avenue M and 50th Street West.
- Board and staff discussed the possibility of not meeting every month if items coming before the Board could reasonably and responsibly be delayed. The Board adjourned to September 29, 2011 at Lancaster City Hall. If there is no meaningful action to be taken, the meeting will be cancelled.