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The Finance Committee met on March 1, 2023, at 9:00 a.m., at the District administrative offices and via Zoom virtual conference. Committee members in attendance were Directors Laska, Shirley and Peake. Staff members in attendance were Felipe Melchor, Guy Petraborg, Helen Rodriguez, Zoe Shoats, Jay Ramos, Garth Gregson, Berta Torres and Ida Gonzales. Legal counsel Rob Wellington was also in attendance.

1. Approve February 1, 2023 Finance Committee Minutes

The Committee approved the minutes of the February 1, 2023 Finance Committee meeting.

2. Budget Assumptions for Fiscal Year 2023-24

Staff presented information about the preparation of the fiscal 2024 budget. The items that were discussed include.

- A tip fee increase based on the fiscal 2023 CPI.
- Changes to the District headcount.
- Impact of bargaining unit negotiations on fiscal 2024 budgeted cost of employment.
- Other items affecting District revenue and operating costs.

There were comments and questions from the Committee. Staff will have a preliminary budget to review at the April committee and Board meetings.

3. Update on Draft White Paper

Staff presented information the Draft White Paper that has been prepared and has been reviewed. Staff is working with a consultant to review the comments that have been received. The next version of the White Paper will address the comments that have been received so far.

4. Public Recycling Drop-Off Area

Staff presented information about the public recycling drop-off area located between the Administration building and the Last Chance Mercantile building. This area allows visitors to drop off certain recyclable materials free of charge. Since the area is no longer staffed there are concerns about the following.

1. Inappropriate dumping of materials.
2. Contamination by not having materials properly separated.
3. Damage to the facility including damage to the safety gates.
4. Unsafe dumping that could result in damage to vehicles parked adjacent to the drop off area and injury to customers from going into the bins to scavenge items.

Staff is considering a proposal to the Board staff the area and complete repairs to the damaged areas. There was discussion and questions from the Committee.

5. General Manager Communications

The General Manager gave information on the following items.

SB1383 Workshop: The District will be giving a workshop on June 9 for representatives from all jurisdictions to review the impacts of SB1383.

Employee Site Tours: The District is giving site tours to all employees with the first one having been on February 23. They will continue in the months of March through June.

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SWANA Western Regional Symposium: The SWANA Western Regional Symposium will be held on April 3-6 in Monterey.

The meeting adjourned at 9:58 a.m.

Next Meeting Date: April 5, 2023 at 9:00 a.m