



**ANTELOPE VALLEY-EAST KERN WATER AGENCY  
 ANTELOPE VALLEY-EAST KERN WATER AGENCY FINANCING AUTHORITY  
 SPECIAL BOARD MEETING AGENDA**

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2023, AT 5:30 PM**

**6450 WEST AVENUE "N," PALMDALE, CA 93551**

**TELECONFERENCE LOCATION(S): 2856 Owens Way, Rosamond, CA 93560; 89 Alafaya Woods Blvd, Oviedo, FL 32765; 43102 – 28<sup>th</sup> St W, Lancaster, CA 93536; & ZOOM**

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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**3. ROLL CALL:** Division 7 – **Gary Van Dam** \_\_\_\_\_; Division 6 – **Audrey Miller** \_\_\_\_\_; Division 5 – **Robert Parris** \_\_\_\_\_; Division 2 – **Keith Dyas** \_\_\_\_\_; Division 1 – **Drew Mercy** \_\_\_\_\_; Division 3 – **Frank Donato** \_\_\_\_\_; Division 4 – **George Lane** \_\_\_\_\_

**OFFICERS:** General Manager – **Matthew Knudson**; Attorney – **Jim Markman/Tilden Kim**; Board Secretary/Treasurer – **Holly Hughes**

**4. VOLUNTARY PUBLIC ROLL-CALL** – If any member of the public wishes to introduce themselves, please feel free to do so now.

**5. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND PERIOD OPEN TO THE PUBLIC** – If anyone wishes to address the board on any item not on the agenda, please feel free to do so now.

**6. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

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6(a-1)	Adoption of Agenda for Special Board Meeting of December 27, 2023	Board Order 6(a-1)	5

**7. SPECIAL ITEM - NEW BUSINESS – AVEK FINANCING AUTHORITY** – adjourn and convene to a special meeting of the Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency Financing Authority.

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7(a-1)	Discussion of proposal from Metropolitan Water District to utilize AKEK’s JPA Financing Authority for issuance of Bonds for the High Desert Water Bank Project with no financial impact to AVEK customers (General Manager Knudson; Michael Engelbrecht, Wells Fargo Investments; James Markman and Lolly Enriquez, RWG General Counsel)		n/a
7(a-2)	Consideration and Possible Action on concurrence to authorize staff and legal counsel to proceed with reviewing necessary documents prepared by Metropolitan Water District financing team for future AVEK Financing Authority Board consideration (General Manager Knudson)	Financing Authority Board Order 7(a-1)	7

Adjourn and reconvene to the regular meeting of the Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency

**8. ITEM(S) FOR CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

**a. Watermaster & Groundwater Stewardship Committee (RP/FD/AM)**

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8(a-1)	Consideration and Possible Action on approval of the Memorandum of Understanding between AVEK and the Antelope Valley Watermaster to memorialize the Parties’ agreements with respect to AVEK’s role as interim Watermaster Administrator (General Manager Knudson)	Board Order 8(a-1)	19
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**9. DIRECTORS REPORTS**

**10. ATTORNEY REPORT**

**11. REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**12. CLOSED SESSION**

- a. Possible Closed Session – Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation, to which the local Agency is a party pursuant to Government Code Section §54956.9(d)(1), one case, *CV Communities, LLC v. Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency*, Los Angeles County Superior Court Case No. 20STCV10953

**13. CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**14. ADJOURN TO A REGULAR BOARD MEETING SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2024, AT 5:30 P.M.**

**Note:** The Board reserves the right to discuss and/or act on all the above agenda items.

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Posted: December 22, 2023, at 12 p.m. by Holly Hughes, Board Secretary-Treasurer