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DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY COUNTY OF HAWAI'I WATER BOARD MEETING AGENDA

MEETING DATE: August 27, 2024

TIME: 10:00 a.m.

IN-PERSON LOCATION: West Hawai'i Civic Center

Building G, 74-5044 Ane Keohokālole Hwy., Kailua-Kona, Hawai'i

REMOTE MEETING LINK:

https://www.facebook.com/HawaiiDWS/live_videos/

STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Public testimony may be done in person or in writing by email (dws@hawaiidws.org), fax (808-961-8657), or by mail: 345 Kekūanaōʻa Street, Suite 20, Hilo, HI 96720. Please indicate agenda item submitting for. All testimony, regardless of time of receipt, will be part of the permanent record.

Remote Oral Testimony:

Telephone testimony may be presented by calling 1(669) 254-5252 and entering meeting ID 160 921 9068. Please wait for the Chair to ask for testimony on the item you are interested in. The Chair will unmute testifiers who call in, one phone number at a time.

Optional Alternative to Present Remote Oral Testimony:

If you would like to testify via an online video link, please email dws@hawaiidws.org at least 24 hours before the meeting to request the link. You may also email to pre-register to present telephone testimony if you wish to be called on by name or before those who have not pre-registered. Testifiers who wish to remain anonymous or have not pre-registered may still call the testimony phone number and follow the instructions listed above.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Information about all the board's meetings is available <u>here</u>. General information about the board is available at <u>About the Water Board</u>.

In the event the online remote connection is interrupted during the Water Board meeting, the Board shall recess for up to 30 minutes to allow for reestablishing the online remote connections. If the online remote connection cannot be reestablished after 30 minutes the meeting shall be adjourned and then reconvene per the following contingency plans:

Board shall reconvene on: August 28, 2024, 10:00 a.m.

Board shall reconvene at: DWS, Hilo Operations, 889 Leilani Street.

If you would like to testify via an online video link, please email dws@hawaiidws.org before the meeting to request the weblink or phone number to testify.

- 1) <u>CALL TO ORDER</u> 10:00 a.m. (please turn cell phones off or set to silent)
- 2) <u>STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC</u> Pursuant to HRS §92-3, oral testimony may be provided entirely at the beginning of the meeting, or immediately preceding the agenda item.
- 3) <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>: Minutes of the July 23, 2024, Water Board Meeting
- 4) <u>APPROVAL OF ADDENDUM AND/OR SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA</u> (if necessary) (Note: Roll Call Required)

5) POWER COST CHARGE:

Chair: Is there any testimony for this item?

Departmental power costs from all power sources increased since the last Power Cost Charge rate was determined. The Department proposes to increase the Power Cost Charge from \$2.77 to \$3.04 per thousand gallons as a result of this increase. Power cost charges over the past year were as follows:

<u>Effective</u>	PCC
May 1, 2024	\$ 2.77
February 1, 2024	\$ 2.37
September 1, 2023	\$ 2.64
April 1, 2023	\$ 2.70

A Public Hearing will be held prior to this Board meeting to accept public testimony on this change.

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>: It is recommended that the Board approve the increase of the Power Cost Charge from \$2.77 to \$3.04, effective September 1, 2024.

6) NORTH HILO:

A. <u>JOB NO. 2021-1162 (REBID), LAUPĀHOEHOE DEEPWELL B REPAIR – REQUEST FOR TIME EXTENSION:</u>

Chair: Is there any testimony for this item?

The Department of Water Supply (DWS) is requesting a contract time extension of 151 calendar days, due to delays associated with receiving approval from Department of Health for water quality and the troubleshooting and repair of MCC equipment required to start the well.

Note: There are no additional costs associated with this time extension.

Ext. #	From (Date)	To (Date)	Days (Calendar)	Reason
1	10/31/2022	3/31/2023	151	Manufacturer delays in providing submittals and receiving materials for pump production.
2	3/31/2023	6/16/2023	77	Manufacturer delays in motor production.
3	6/16/2023	8/15/2023	60	Manufacturer requests motor substitution, delaying shipment.

4	8/15/2023	9/30/2023	46	Vendor staffing challenges.
5	9/30/2023	10/14/2023	21	HECO power shutdown.
	10/14/23	1/19/24		Project suspension.
6	1/19/24	6/19/24	151	DOH water quality approvals and repairs to MCC.
Total Days (including this request)		506		

<u>RECOMMENDATION:</u> It is recommended that the Board approve a contract time extension of 151 calendar days to Derrick's Well Drilling and Pump Services, LLC., for JOB NO. 2021-1162 (REBID), LAUPĀHOEHOE DEEPWELL B REPAIR. If approved, the contract completion date will be revised from January 19, 2024, to August 27, 2024.

7) NORTH KONA:

A. JOB NO. 2016-1056, WAI'AHA DEEPWELL REPAIR – REQUEST FOR TIME EXTENSIONS: (placeholder)

Chair: Is there any testimony for this item?

The Contractor, Derrick's Well Drilling and Pump Services, LLC., is requesting a contract time extension of 95 calendar days, due to manufacturer material delays and delays with the pump and motor testing. These delays were beyond the control of the Contractor.

Staff reviewed the request for the time extension and the accompanying supporting documentation and found 95 calendar days to be justified. *Note: There are no additional costs associated with this time extension.*

Ext. #	From (Date)	To (Date)	Days (Calendar)	Reason
1	7/31/2017	9/15/2024	2603	Project completion date was revised as a part of Change Order #2.
2	9/15/2024	12/19/2024	95	Manufacturer delays for submittals for surface plate and motor shroud assemblies, and pump and motor testing.
Total Days (including this request)		2698		

<u>RECOMMENDATION:</u> It is recommended that the Board approve a contract time extension of 95 calendar days to Derrick's Well Drilling and Pump Services, LLC., for JOB NO. 2016-1056, WAI'AHA DEEPWELL REPAIR. If approved, the contract completion date will be revised from September 15, 2024, to December 19, 2024.

8) MISCELLANEOUS:

A. DEPARTMENT OF WATER SUPPLY COLLECTION AND DELINQUENCY POLICIES:

Chair: Is there any testimony for this item?

Information will be provided to the Board on status updates on collection efforts due to delinquent balances for water service charges with information on current policies and procedures in place for collection and water shut-offs. Discussion will follow along with any recommendations that should be considered for future action.

B. MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT:

Chair: Is there any testimony for this item?

Submission of Progress Report of Projects by the Department. Department personnel will be available to respond to questions by the Board regarding the status/progress of any project.

C. REVIEW OF MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:

Chair: Is there any testimony for this item?

Submission of financial statements and information relating to the financial status of the Department. Department personnel will be available to respond to questions by the Board relating to the financial status of the Department.

D. <u>EXECUTIVE SESSION REGARDING OPEN LITIGATION FOR CIVIL NO. 3CCV-20-0000007, LĀLĀMILO WIND COMPANY, LLC</u>

The Board anticipates convening an executive meeting for the purposes of discussing the legal rights, duties and liabilities of the Board concerning open litigation against the Board, as authorized by Hawai'i County Charter Section 8-2 and Hawai'i Revised Statutes ("HRS"), Sections 92-4 and 92-5(a)(4). The Board wishes to have its attorney present, in order to consult with the Board's attorney on its questions and issues pertaining to the Board's powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities pursuant to HRS Section 92-5(a)(4). A two-thirds vote of the members present, pursuant to HRS Section 92-4, is necessary to hold an executive meeting, provided the affirmative vote constitutes a majority of the Board.

E. MANAGER-CHIEF ENGINEER'S REPORT:

The Manager-Chief Engineer to provide an update on the following:

- 1. North Kona Wells
- 2. Department of Water Supply Quarterly Energy Report
- 3. Report on Alternative Procurement for FY 24-25 (1st quarter)
- 4. 2024 Hawaii Water Works Association Conference Lihue, Kaua'i

F. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT:

1. Chairperson to report on matters of interest to the Board.

9) ANNOUNCEMENTS:

• Next Meeting – September 24, 2024, 10:00 a.m., Department of Water Supply, Hilo Operations, 889 Leilani Street, Hilo, Hawai'i

10) ADJOURNMENT:

Anyone requiring an accommodation or auxiliary aid and/or services to participate in this meeting (i.e. sign language, interpreter, large print), please contact the Board Secretary, at (808) 961-8050 as soon as possible, but no later than five days before the scheduled meeting.

Notice to Lobbyists: If you are a lobbyist, you must register with the Hawai'i County Clerk within five days of becoming a lobbyist. {Article 15, Section 2-91.3(b), Hawai'i County Code} A lobbyist means "any individual engaged for pay or other consideration who spends more than five hours in any month or \$275 in any six-month period for the purpose of attempting to influence legislative or administrative action by communicating or urging others to communicate with public officials." {Article 15, Section 2-91.3(a)(6), Hawai'i County Code} Registration forms and expenditure report documents are available at the Office of the County Clerk-Council, Hilo, Hawai'i.

<u>Board Packet</u>: Pursuant to Hawai'i Revised Statutes, Section 92-7.5, the board packet provided to members of the board for this meeting is available for public inspection during regular business hours at the Department of Water Supply office, 345 Kekūanaō'a Street, Suite 20, Hilo, Hawai'i.

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