

District Staff Present - Video

Directors Present – Video Conference	Conference	Absent
President Leticia De Lara	Conrado E. Bárzaga, MD, CEO	
Vice-President/Secretary Karen Borja	Chris Christensen, CAO	
Director Arthur Shorr	Donna Craig, Chief Program Officer	
Director Carole Rogers, RN	Alejandro Espinoza, Chief of	
Director Les Zendle, MD	Community Engagement	
Director Evett PerezGil	Will Dean, Marketing and	
Director Carmina Zavala	Communications Director	
	Jana Trew, Senior Program Officer	
	Meghan Kane, Programs and	
	Research Analyst	
	Erica Huskey, Administrative and	
	Programs Assistant	
	Andrea S. Hayles, Clerk of the Board	
	<u>Legal Counsel</u>	
	Jeff Scott	

AGENDA ITEMS	ISCUSSION	ACTION
A. Call to Order	President De Lara called	
	the meeting to order at	
	6:38 p.m.	
Roll Call		
	The Clerk of the Board	
	called the roll with all	
	Directors' present.	
B. Approval of Agenda	President De Lara asked for	#18-93 MOTION WAS MADE by Director
	a motion to approve the	PerezGil seconded by Director Zavala to
	agenda.	approve the agenda.
		Motion passed unanimously.
		AYES – 7 President De Lara, Vice-
		President/Secretary Borja, Director
		Shorr, Director Rogers, Director Zendle,
		Director PerezGil, and Director Zavala
		NOES – 0
		ABSENT – 0
C. Public Comment	There were no public	
	comments.	



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D. Consent Agenda	President De Lara asked for	#18-94 MOTION WAS MADE by Director
	a motion to approve the	Shorr seconded by Director PerezGil to
1. BOARD MINUTES	consent agenda.	approve the consent agenda.
a. Board of Directors		Motion passed unanimously.
Meeting – May 25, 2021		AYES – 7 President De Lara Vice-
2. FINANCIALS		President/Secretary Borja, Director
a. Approval of the May 2021		Shorr, Director Rogers, Director Zendle,
Financial Statements –		Director PerezGil, and Director Zavala
F&A Approved June 08,		NOES – 0
2021		ABSENT – 0
3. AGREEMENTS		
a. Environmental Health in		
the Eastern Coachella		
Valley – CONCUR, Inc.		
Service Agreement		
Amendment #2 through		
December 31, 2021		
E. Desert Healthcare Foundation		
CEO Report		
1. Coachella Valley Equity	Alejandro Espinoza, Chief	
Collaborative: COVID-19	of Community Engagement	
Community Support,	explained that school-	
Outreach, Education,	based vaccination clinics	
Testing, and Vaccination	continue to summarize the	
Distribution	number of youth	
	inoculated and the	
	county's McDonald's	
	partnership to try and	
	obtain more vaccinations.	
2. Environmental Justice	Dr. Bárzaga, CEO, detailed	
and Health Equity	Dr. Paul English, Director,	
a. AB 617 South	Tracking California	
Coast Air Quality	Achieving Resilient	
Management	Communities, Public	
District (SCAQMD)	Health Institute's air	
b. Eastern Coachella	quality findings	
Valley Air Quality	presentation that was well-	
and Illegal Fires	received as a first step to	
Action Plan	identify the poor	
	environmental conditions.	
and Health Equity a. AB 617 South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) b. Eastern Coachella Valley Air Quality and Illegal Fires	partnership to try and obtain more vaccinations. Dr. Bárzaga, CEO, detailed Dr. Paul English, Director, Tracking California Achieving Resilient Communities, Public Health Institute's air quality findings presentation that was well-received as a first step to identify the poor	Page 2 of 6



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	President De Lara	
	expressed her appreciation	
	to the CEO, Vice-President	
	Borja, and other	
	community members	
	participation and input to	
	shape the air quality	
	policies in the Coachella	
	Valley.	
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	Dr. Bàrzaga described the	
	community members that	
	requested assistance with	
	the Torres Martinez Tribe	
	dur to the insufficient	
	water quality, the Board-	
	approved hiring CONCUR	
	as consultants to bridge	
	the gaps in communication	
	and response, while	
	identifying solutions. Dr.	
	Bàrzaga will share with the	
	Board the date of the	
	upcoming meeting that he	
	will also share with	
	members of the	
	community.	
	President De Lara is	
	pleased with the way the	
	matter is being addressed	
	by the District and other	
	partners, is proud of the	
	work to advance the topic,	
	thanked the CEO, and she	
	is looking forward to the	
	upcoming meeting date	
	with CONCUR.	
F.1. Program Committee		
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1. Draft Meeting	President De Lara inquired	
Minutes – June 08,	with the Board on any	
2021	questions concerning the	



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2. Grant Payment	minutes, grant payment	
Schedules	schedule, and the	
	Coachella Valley Health	
3. Coachella Valley	Information Place (CVHIP).	
Health Information		
Place (CVHIP)	Chair PerezGil explained	
	the changes with CVHIP	
	and the move to the	
	Connect IE platform.	
	Director Zendle inquired about the grant program budget \$730k for the Foundation and budgeted versus funds in accounts with Chris Christensen, CAO, describing the details of the grant payment schedule, the \$1M budgeted from FY21, and the annual \$300k budgeted for East Valley funding, further detailing the \$730k grant balance.	
4. Consideration to approve Resolution #21-02 to Carry-Over the Remaining \$730,000 from the FY 2020/2021 Grants Budget to the FY 2021/2022 Grants Budget	President De Lara described Resolution #21-02 to carry-over the remaining \$730k from the FY20-21 grant budget to the FY20-22 grant budget.	#18-95 MOTION WAS MADE by Director Rogers seconded by Director Zavala to approve Resolution #21-02 to Carry-Over the Remaining \$730,000 from the FY 2020/2021 Grants Budget to the FY 2021/2022 Grants Budget Motion passed unanimously. AYES – 7 President De Lara Vice-President/Secretary Borja, Director Shorr, Director Rogers, Director Zendle, Director PerezGil, and Director Zavala NOES – 0 ABSENT – 0
F.2. F&A Committee	President De Lara inquired	
	if there were any questions	
1. Draft Meeting Minutes – June 08, 2021	of the Board concerning	
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	the June 8, F&A Committee	
	meeting minutes.	
	Given the occupancy rate	
	at the Las Palmas Medical	
	Plaza, Director Rogers	
	suggested working with a	
	real estate group or the	
	management company on	
	a feasibility study of the	
	community on the needs of	
	additional medical office	
	building space.	
G. Homelessness Initiative		
1. Cooling Centers	Donna Craig, Chief	
	Program Officer, described	
	the background funding of	
	the cooling centers and	
	additional information	
	from the Continuum of	
	Care (COC) meeting	
	concerning the United	
	Method Church in Palm	
	Springs as a source for a	
	cooling center.	
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	Director Rogers explained	
	that she spoke with Pastor	
	Sheppard at Word of Life	
	Fellowship Center who has	
	hosted the cooling center	
	in Desert Hot Springs in the	
	past, providing details	
	about the staffing of the	
	centers and that Pastor	
	Sheppard will contact Greg	
	Rodriguez to work with	
	church members that may	
	qualify to work at the	
	cooling centers.	
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H. Behavioral Health Initiative		
1. Behavioral Health Implementation Plan Update	Jana Trew, Senior Program Officer, Behavioral Health described the outreach in the fourth District to discuss the role of the Green Ribbon Committee, reaching out to stakeholders, meeting with Dr. McGuire, Chief of Psychiatry at the University of California Riverside (UCR), the Department of Health Services at the state and county level, Riverside County Health Systems (RUHS), and individuals involved Desert Regional Medical Center's committee meetings.	
J. Adjournment	President De Lara and Director Rogers thanked the staff for their work. President De Lara	Audio recording available on the website
	adjourned the meeting at 7:19 p.m.	at https://www.dhcd.org/Agendas-and-documents

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	Karen Borja, Vice-President/Secretary
	Desert Healthcare District Board of Directors

Minutes respectfully submitted by Andrea S. Hayles, Clerk of the Board