



KENSINGTON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

DATE: January 17, 2024
TO: Board of Directors
RE: Election of Officers for 2024
SUBMITTED BY: Mary A. Morris-Mayorga, General Manager

Recommended Action

Staff recommends that the Board takes the necessary steps to elect the President, Vice President, and Secretary for 2024.

Background

In accordance with *Policy 1050 Board Meetings* (attached), the Board will hold an annual organizational meeting at the regular December meeting and elect the President, Vice President, and Secretary for the following calendar year. *Policy 1070 Board Officers* (attached) describes the positions. At the December Board of Directors Meeting, the Board took action to continue this item to the January 2024 meeting as the second item following the Oath of Office for the newly appointed director with the current slate of officers retaining positions until the conclusion of the item at which time the new officers would take over following the election of officers.

Fiscal Impact

There is no fiscal impact.

Attachments: *Policy 1050 Board Meetings*
Policy 1070 Board Officers

KENSINGTON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT POLICY HANDBOOK

POLICY TITLE: Board Meetings
POLICY NUMBER: 1050

1050.10 Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held on the second Wednesday of each calendar month at 7:00 p.m. in the Kensington Community Center, 59 Arlington Avenue, Kensington, California. All meetings of the Board of Directors shall comply with the Brown Act (California Government Code § 54950 through § 54926). The date, time and place of regular Board meetings shall be reconsidered annually at the annual organizational meeting of the Board.

1050.11 Member of the Board includes newly elected and appointed officials prior to assuming office.

1050.12 Meetings through the use of intermediaries, serial communications, or emails are prohibited.

1050.20 Special meetings (non-emergency) of the Board of Directors may be called by the Board President or by a majority of the Board.

1050.21 All Directors, the Manager and the Fire Chief shall be notified of the special Board meeting and the purpose or purposes for which it is called. Said notification shall be in writing, delivered to them at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the meeting.

1050.22 Newspapers of general circulation in the District, radio stations and television stations, organizations, and property owners who have requested notice of special meetings in accordance with the Brown Act shall be notified by a mailing unless the special meeting is called less than one week in advance, in which case notice, including business to be transacted, will be given by telephone or electronic mail as soon after the meeting is scheduled as practicable.

1050.23 An agenda shall be prepared as specified for regular Board meetings in Policy #5020 and shall be delivered with the notice of the special meeting to those specified above.

1050.24 Only those items of business listed in the call for the special meeting shall be considered by the Board at any special meeting.

1050.30 Special Meetings (emergency). In the event of an emergency situation involving matters upon which prompt action is necessary due to the disruption or threatened disruption of public facilities, the Board of Directors may hold an emergency special meeting without complying with the twenty-four (24) hour notice required in 1050.21, above. An emergency situation means a crippling

disaster which severely impairs public health, safety, or both, as determined by the Board President or Vice President in the President's absence.

1050.31 No closed session may be held during an emergency special meeting, and all other rules governing special meetings shall be observed with the exception of the twenty-four (24) hour notice. The minutes of the emergency special meeting, a list of persons the Manager or designee notified or attempted to notify, a copy of the roll call vote(s), and any actions taken at such meeting shall be posted for a minimum of ten (10) days in the District office as soon after the meeting as possible.

1050.40 Adjourned Meetings. A majority vote by the Board of Directors may terminate any Board meeting at any place in the agenda to any time and place specified in the order of adjournment, except that if no Directors are present at any regular or adjourned regular meeting, the President may declare the meeting adjourned to a stated time and place.

1050.50 Annual Organizational Meeting. The Board of Directors shall hold an annual organizational meeting at its regular meeting in December. At this meeting the Board will elect a President, Vice President and Secretary from among its members to serve during the coming calendar year.

1050.60 The Chairperson of the meetings described herein shall determine the order in which agenda items shall be considered for discussion and/or action by the Board.

1050.70 The Chairperson and the Manager shall insure that appropriate information is available for the audience at meetings of the Board of Directors, and that physical facilities for said meetings are functional and appropriate. All Board meetings shall be open and freely accessible to the public, including those with disabilities.

1050.80 Board meeting recordings shall be posted to the District website to allow for public access.

1050.90 Committees created by formal action of the Board shall comply with the Brown Act.

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POLICY NUMBER and TITLE: **1070 Board Officers**

1070.10 The President of the Board of Directors shall serve as chairperson at all Board meetings. He/she shall have the same rights as the other members of the Board in voting, introducing motions, resolutions and ordinances, and any discussion of questions that follow said actions. In addition, the Board President shall:

- 1070.11** [Reserved]
- 1070.12** [Reserved]
- 1070.13** Represent and speak for the organization to other organizations and to the public.
- 1070.14** Preside at business meetings.
- 1070.15** Appoint committees.
- 1070.16** Sign letters or documents necessary to carry out the will of the organization.
- 1070.17** Preside at meetings of the Board of Directors or governing board.

1070.20 The Vice President of the Board of Directors assumes the duties of the President in case of absence or incapacity of the President. If the President and Vice President of the Board are both absent, the remaining members present shall select one of themselves to act as chairperson of the meeting.

1070.30 The Secretary of the Board of Directors shall certify the correctness of the minutes and enter them in the official minute book; sign official documents to attest to their authenticity; and carry on the official correspondence of the organization as directed, except correspondence assigned to other officers.