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North Tahoe Public Utility District Board of Director's Adopts Ordinance Changing Method of Election

(Kings Beach, CA) At their November 10, 2015 the North Tahoe Public Utility District Board of Directors followed up on their October vote and adopted Ordinance 388 to make the change to “at large” elections for the November 2016 election. During that election, the Board will also include a binding question asking voters if they are in favor of making the change permanent.

This change to voting “at large” allows all candidates to run for all Board positions available during that election cycle. Candidates receiving the most votes overall are elected, without regard for a specific seat.

The next scheduled election will take place in November 2016. Three (3) members of the Board of Directors will be up for re-election at that time; John Bergmann, Tim Ferrell and Phil Thompson.

- Adopted Resolution 2015-15 authorizing the Board President to sign the transfer agreement for the transfer of property known as the “Firestone Property” to Placer County. This action will go to the Placer County Board of Supervisor’s at their November 17th meeting for approval. Once both agencies have agreed, the California

Tahoe Conservancy (CTC) will act on it at their December meeting and approve the transfer. This item must go to the CTC because that agency provided the initial funding allowing the District to purchase the property.

This agreement includes an understanding between the District and Placer County regarding construction, maintenance and utility easements related to the Dollar Creek Shared Use Trail. The County will permit, construct and maintain this recreation amenity at no cost to District residents and ratepayers.

- Authorized the Board President to sign the agreement for a \$200,000 grant from Placer County for funds for the North Tahoe Regional Park. This grant will support the amenities for a trailhead to the Dollar Creek Shared Use Trail. The amenities identified will include a new restroom with ADA access and renovation of an existing parking lot with related striping and shoulder repair.

The District will also be requesting Placer County Park Dedication fees for the remaining balance of the cost off the work. When finished, this roughly \$325,000 project will not only serve as a staging area for the Dollar Creek Shared Use Trail, but other activities in the North Tahoe Regional Park as well.

- Adopted Resolution 2015-16 modifying the District's Reserve Policy. These changes are mostly bookkeeping in nature, but more accurately reflect monies that are specifically designated for certain expenses such as fleet replacement, debt service payments, and state/federal mandated expenses.
- Nominating Director Sue Daniels for LAFCO Alternative Special District Representative seat on the LAFCO Board of Directors. This is to fill the unexpired term.
- Heard an update from General Manager Whitelaw related to the Strategic Planning process for the District that began with the October 27 Board and Staff workshop facilitated by Katy Simon Holland. This will be an ongoing topic. Additional information on this process can be found at www.ntpud.org/strategicplan
- Announced that the Dedication and Public Open House for the District's new Base Facility Building will take place on December 8, 2015 as an agenda item on the regular December Board of Directors meeting. The event will include a ribbon-cutting and a public open house. Additional information will be released by the District as the event is finalized. The December Board meeting will take place at the new Base Facility.

The next regular meeting of the NTPUD Board of Directors will be held on Tuesday, December 8, 2015 beginning at 2:00 pm at the North Tahoe Public Utility District Base Facility at 875

National Avenue in Tahoe Vista. NTPUD board meetings are open to the public and all are invited to attend.

Information on NTPUD board meetings, including agendas and packets, may be obtained on the District's website. Residents are encouraged to sign up on the District's email list to receive agendas, press releases and other information from the District at www.ntpud.org The sign up link is available on the home page. For drought updates and water conservation information, see www.ntpud.org/conservation.

The North Tahoe Public Utility District provides sewer and water service to the residents of Kings Beach, Tahoe Vista, Carnelian Bay, Cedar Flat and Agate Bay. The North Tahoe Regional Park, Tahoe Vista Recreation Area and Boat Launch and North Tahoe Event Center are owned and operated by the District and provide recreation opportunities to residents and visitors.

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Approved By: Duane Whitelaw, General Manager, 11/16/15