

HEBER PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

REPORT TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MEETING DATE: December 14, 2023

FROM: Moises Cardenas, Office Manager

SUBJECT: General Managers Report

Administration:

HPUD Office will be closed on Monday, December 25, and Monday, January 1, 2024. Notifications will be made via Social Media and Granicus.

HPUD Employee Appreciation:

The HPUD Employee Appreciation is scheduled for Tuesday, December 19, 2023 from 12pm to 2pm at the HPUD Recreation Center! The Board is welcome to attend.

Water Test Results:

HPUD had a positive Coliform test last week at the Heber Jr. High Shop. The meter that got the positive Coliform test only feeds the shop and the irrigation system, not the entire school. After retesting the water again, there was no Coliform detected. Staff is led to believe this was a false positive as there was still Chlorine in the water. No further action is needed to be taken by staff.

CalRecycle:

Management met with CalRecycle on December 6, 2023 to speak about the possibility of a waiver for Organics Collection for Heber. This is due to a new Senate Bill that was passed. Additionally, staff asked about any additional updates that will be had for the EAR for 2023.

Parks/Rec:

Preconstruction meeting for Children's Park has been completed, design choices have been submitted, orders have been made for long lead time items. Estimated ground break date: late September/ early October, estimated completion date: mid-April 2024.

Signs have been posted at Tito Huerta that include schedule of reservations as requested by members of the public.

HPUD WWTP Funding Search:

Management met with USDA rep on April 25th. USDA Rep originally offered a \$4.5 million Colonia Grant with no match, but upon looking into the Colonia map, realized the Wastewater Treatment Plant falls just outside of the Colonia boundaries. Rep then offered a \$4.5 million grant with a 25% match: USDA: \$3,375,000 HPUD: \$1,125,000.

Staff submitted Community Resilience Grant in pursuit of funding for the Waste Water plant project on September 18th.