MINUTE ITEM

19. APPLICATION BY BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE DOWNEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, LOS ANGELES COUNTY, FOR EXEMPTION FOR PROPOSED OIL AND GAS LEASE FROM PROCEDURE REQUIRED UNDER THE PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE - W.O. 4785, GEO. LOS ANGELES CO. 4.A L. #1

After consideration of Calendar Item 18 attached, and upon motion duly made and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 7052 OF THE PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE, THE COMMISSION EXEMPTS FROM COMPETITIVE PUBLIC BIDDING PROCEDURES REQUIRED FOR OIL AND GAS LEASES UNDER SECTIONS 7052 AND 7053 OF THE PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE IN ORDER TO SECURE PRACTICABLE RESERVOIR DEVELOPMENT A PART OF THE GALLATIN SCHOOL SITE DESCRIBED BELOW:

THE SOUTHWESTERLY ONE FOOT OF THE NORTHEASTERLY 180 FEET, MEASURED AT RIGHT ANGLES FROM THE SOUTHWESTERLY LINE OF GALLATIN SCHOOL HOUSE ROAD, OF LOT 3 IN BLOCK E OF TRACT NO. 212, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 14, PAGES 54 AND 55 OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

Attachment Calendar Item 18 (1 page)

CALENDAR ITEM

18.

APPLICATION BY BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE DOWNEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, LOS ANGELES COUNTY, FOR EXEMPTION FOR PROPOSED OIL AND GAS LEASE FROM PROCEDURE REQUIRED UNDER THE PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE - W.O. 4785.

An application has been received from the Board of Education of the Downey Unified School District, Los Angeles County, for exemption of a proposed oil and gas lease from competitive public bidding procedure pursuant to Sections 7052 and 7053 of the Public Resources Code. The land, described as a parcel 180 feet long and one foot wide, containing 180 square feet, is a part of the Gallatin School site, Los Angeles County.

Section 7052 of the Public Resources Code states in part: "The State Lands Commission may in its discretion exempt particular leases or operating agreements from the procedure required by this section and Section 7053 where ly reason of the small size of the property or drainage from offset wells such procedure would in the judgment of the State Lands Commission in the particular case be impracticable."

The exemption is requested by the Board of Education in order that a lease may be entered into, to provide for a practicable means for development of this parcel in conjunction with adjacent lands.

According to the application, the one-foot strip adjoins land already under a lease issued pursuant to Code procedures; the one-foot strip was overlooked when the lease description was prepared. The Board proposes to execute a subsurface oil and gas lease on this one-foot strip with its lessee without following competitive public bidding procedures.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 7052 OF THE PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE, THE COMMISSION EXEMPT FROM COMPETITIVE PUBLIC BIDDING PROCEDURES REQUIRED FOR OIL AND GAS LEASES UNDER SECTIONS 7052 AND 7053 OF THE PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE IN ORDER TO SECURE PRACTICABLE RESERVOIR DEVELOPMENT A PART OF THE GALLATIN SCHOOL SITE DESCRIBED BELOW:

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