

PALM DESERT RECREATIONAL FACILITIES CORPORATION BOARD STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: June 9, 2025

PREPARED BY: Michelle Nance, Acting Assistant City Clerk

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION APPOINTING PALM DESERT RECREATIONAL
FACILITIES CORPORATION PRESIDENT/CEO, VICE PRESIDENT,
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER, AND SECRETARY

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt Resolution No. 2025-17 entitled “RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PALM DESERT RECREATIONAL FACILITIES CORPORATION APPOINTING CORPORATE OFFICERS.”

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS:

The Palm Desert Recreational Facilities Corporation (PDRFC) is a nonprofit public benefit corporation incorporated on February 19, 1997, to support the development and operation of recreational facilities within the City of Palm Desert. The Corporation’s primary role is to lease, operate, and manage the restaurant and bar at Desert Willow Golf Resort.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

In accordance with the Bylaws, the Board of Directors must consist of no fewer than two and no more than nine members. No more than 50 percent of the Board may be composed of elected officials or senior management employees of the City. Directors serve one-year terms and may be reappointed without term limits. Each Director continues to serve until a successor is appointed and qualified. On May 22, 2025, the City Council confirmed the appointments of Gina Nestande, Evan Trubee, Phil Smith, and Oscar Armijo to the PDRFC Board of Directors:

OFFICER APPOINTMENTS

The Bylaws further authorize the Board of Directors to appoint officers, including a President/Chief Executive Officer, one or more Vice Presidents, a Chief Financial Officer, a Secretary, and any assistant officers as needed. The following officer appointments are recommended:

- **President/Chief Executive Officer:** Richard Cannone, Assistant City Manager
- **Vice President:** Martin Alvarez, Economic Development Director
- **Chief Financial Officer:** Veronica Chavez, Finance Director
- **Secretary:** Anthony Mejia, City Clerk

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with the adoption of this resolution.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Draft Resolution No. PDRFC 2025-17
2. PDRFC Bylaws and Amended Articles of Incorporation (for reference)