

MINUTE ITEM

20. SALE OF VACANT SCHOOL LAND, APPLICATION NO. 11606, LOS ANGELES LAND DISTRICT, SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, JOHN E. BENNETT - S.W.O. 7612.

In presenting Calendar Item 31 attached, the Executive Officer reported that subsequent to its preparation a request had been received from John E. Bennett that his application be cancelled.

UPON MOTION DULY MADE AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED, A RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED REJECTING APPLICATION NO. 11606 OF JOHN E. BENNETT, PURSUANT TO HIS REQUEST, AND AUTHORIZING A REFUND TO THE APPLICANT OF ALL FUNDS DEPOSITED TO DATE, LESS ANY COSTS INCURRED.

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CALENDAR ITEM

31.

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An offer was received from John E. Bennett of Altadena, California, to purchase Section 36, T. 1 N., R. 16 E., S.B.M., containing 640 acres in San Bernardino County, for \$7,150.30, or \$11.17+ per acre, the minimum value established by a prior appraisal.

A staff reappraisal shows that the land is not suitable for cultivation without artificial irrigation and establishes its value at an average of \$22 per acre, or a total of \$14,080. At the request of the applicant, a 29-day extension was granted within which to deposit the required funds. The applicant deposited the necessary amount to meet this value.

The land was advertised for sale with a stipulation that bids must be in excess of \$14,080. No bids were received pursuant to advertising.

At the meeting on December 22, 1960, the Commission was informed that there had been a request from Mr. Bennett to defer consideration of his land-sale application in order to allow him additional time to determine his final acceptance of the sale in view of his objection, previously registered with the staff, to the required statutory and constitutional reservations to be contained in the State patent. Therefore, the Commission ordered that consideration of the item be deferred to the January meeting.

The applicant subsequently reported that he withdraws his objections to the reservations to be contained in the patent. Therefore,

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE COMMISSION:

1. FIND THAT SECTION 36, T. 1 N., R. 16 E., S.B.M., CONTAINING 640 ACRES IN SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, IS NOT SUITABLE FOR CULTIVATION WITHOUT ARTIFICIAL IRRIGATION;
2. CONFIRM THE 29-DAY EXTENSION GRANTED TO THE APPLICANT, JOHN E. BENNETT, WITHIN WHICH TO DEPOSIT THE ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO MEET THE APPRAISED VALUE; AND
3. SUBJECT TO A RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR ROAD PURPOSES GRANTED BY THE STATE ON MAY 17, 1935, TO METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (10200, LOS ANGELES), OVER AND ACROSS THE E $\frac{1}{2}$ OF SE $\frac{1}{4}$ OF SAID SECTION 36, AND SUBJECT ALSO TO ALL STATUTORY AND CONSTITUTIONAL RESERVATIONS INCLUDING MINERALS, AUTHORIZE THE SALE OF SAID LAND TO THE SOLE APPLICANT, JOHN E. BENNETT, AT A CASH PRICE OF \$14,080.