# MINUTES REGULAR BOARD MEETING

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### WEST VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

June 16, 2022

Attendee	Present	Excused	Absent
Name			
Board of Directors			
Channing Hawkins	<b>T</b> remote		
Gregory Young	$\overline{\checkmark}$		
Angela Garcia	$\checkmark$		
Kelvin Moore	$\checkmark$		
Staff			
Van Jew	$\checkmark$		
Naseem Farooqi		$\checkmark$	
Haydee Sainz	$\checkmark$		
Peggy Asche	$\checkmark$		
Linda Jadeski	$\overline{\checkmark}$		
Jon Stephenson	$\checkmark$		
Joanne Chan	$\overline{\checkmark}$		
Albert Clinger	$\overline{\checkmark}$		
Jose Velasquez	$\overline{\checkmark}$		
Legal Counsel			
Robert Tafoya	$\overline{\checkmark}$		

# **OPENING CEREMONIES**

Pledge of Allegiance – Led by Director Greg Young Opening Prayer - Led by Pastor Vernall Townsend, Sunrise Church Call to Order Roll Call of Board Members

- ADD ONE EMERGENCY ITEM TO THE AGENDA UNDER BUSINESS MATTERS AS NO. 20 AS FOLLOWS:
  - o Emergency Water Treatment Chemical Supply for the FBR Treatment System.

Director Greg Young motioned to add one emergency item to the agenda under Business Matters as No. 20 and Director Kelvin Moore second the motion. Hearing no discussion, the following vote was taken:

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RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Greg Young, Director **SECONDER:** Kelvin Moore, Director

Channing Hawkins, Angela Garcia, Kelvin Moore, Gregory Young AYES:

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

#### ADOPT AGENDA

Director Greg Young motioned to adopt the agenda as amended and Director Kelvin Moore second the motion. Hearing no discussion, the following vote was taken:

ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS] **RESULT:** 

Gregory Young, Director MOVER: SECONDER: Kelvin Moore, Director

Channing Hawkins, Angela Garcia, Kelvin Moore, Gregory Young AYES:

NOES: None ABSENT: None

#### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Peggy Asche, Board Secretary, reported that she received one request via email to speak to the Board. Mr. Leonard Cross, I.U.O.E. Local Union No. 12 addressed the Board asking for the status of the Classification and Compensation study. There were no other comments.

#### **PRESENTATION**

# Oliver P. Roemer Water Filtration Facility Expansion Update.

Linda Jadeski, Director of Engineering, provided a brief update on the Oliver P. Roemer Water Filtration Facility Expansion project stating that three proposals were received on June 3rd. The proposals include Design Build Team members experience with similar projects, Technical approach, Construction & Start-Up process, and Fixed Fee. Technical Evaluation Panel will be conducting interviews with the Design Build Teams, followed up by final Scoring. Recommendations will be brought to the Committees in August and then to the full Board of Directors for approval. This concluded Ms. Jadeski's presentation.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

Director Greg Young motioned to adopt the Consent Calendar as presented and Director Kelvin Moore second the motion. Hearing no discussion, the following vote was taken:

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- 16. Approval of Payment to Carpenter, Rothans & Dumont LLP, for Professional Services rendered, Invoice No. 40567; \$4,879.00.
- 17. Approval of Payment to Tafoya Law Group, APC, for Professional Services rendered in April 2022, Invoice No. 21-1004; \$17,827.50.

#### **BUSINESS MATTERS**

#### 18. DISCUSSION TO REOPEN THE DISTRICT.

Acting General Manager, Van Jew, reported that Staff is looking for direction to potentially reopen the District to the public. This would include opening the Board and Committee meetings to the public as well as the customer service counter. After further discussion, direction was given to the Acting General Manager to present a plan with his direction of opening the customer service area and appropriate protocols for opening up the Board and Committee meetings for the public to attend in person at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting. No vote was taken.

# 19. DISCUSSION OF FILLING BOARD OF DIRECTOR VACANCY SEAT FOR DIVISION 2.

Legal Counsel, Robert Tafoya, reported that he was given direction at the last Board meeting to reach out to the Election Lawyers regarding a second opinion whether or not the Board vacancy can be filled by appointment or if there are restrictions for Division 2. After speaking with the Election Lawyers, Mr. Tafoya was told orally that the District is not limited to appointing a Director. Once he receives confirmation in writing, he will present it to the Board members. Also, one of the Election Lawyers will provide a presentation at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting. No vote was taken.

# 20. EMERGENCY WATER TREATMENT CHEMICAL SUPPLY FOR THE FBR TREATMENT SYSTEM.

Director Greg Young, motioned to approve purchasing the chemical supply (ACH) in the amount of \$29,820.00 from Sterling Water Technologies. Director Angela Garcia second the motion and the following vote was taken:

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Greg Young, Director SECONDER: Angela Garcia, Director

AYES: Channing Hawkins, Angela Garcia, Kelvin Moore, Gregory Young

NOES: None
ABSENT: None

# REPORTS - LIMITED TO 5 MINUTES MAXIMUM (Presentations or handouts must be provided to Board Members in advance of the Board Meeting).

#### 1. Board Members

- O President Channing Hawkins wished all the fathers a Happy Father's Day. On Monday, IE Works graduated 15 graduates from its apprenticeship program.
- O Director Angela Garcia encouraged all those who attended the Board meeting tonight via Zoom, that they attend in person, hopefully soon.
- O Director Greg Young echoed President Hawkins on wishing all a Happy Father's Day and a happy Juneteenth. Thanked all who attended via Zoom.
- O Director Kelvin Moore also thanked all who attended via Zoom and stated that he is looking forward to seeing them in person.

### 2. General Manager

O Acting General Manager, Van Jew, reminded all that this Saturday at 8:00 a.m., is the Budget Workshop. A hard copy of the Budget was provided to all Board members on the dais. Also, Riverside Highland Water Company reached out to the District for possibly an emergency water supply need. The District does have accessible supply to provide them.

# 3. Legal Counsel

o Mr. Robert Tafoya, Legal Counsel, reported out of Closed Session stating that multiple items were considered; however, no reportable actions were taken.

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION – Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9(b): Number of Cases: Five (5).

**ADJOURN** 

Channing Hawkins
President of the Board of Directors

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ATTEST:

Peggy Asche, Board Secretary

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