



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF  
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
LA PUENTE VALLEY COUNTY WATER DISTRICT  
FOR MONDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2019 AT 5:30 PM**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

President Escalera called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

President Escalera led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. ROLL CALL OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

President Escalera	Vice President Hernandez	Director Barajas	Director Hastings	Director Rojas
Present	Present	Present	Present	Absent

**OTHERS PRESENT**

**Staff and Counsel:** General Manager & Board Secretary, Greg Galindo; Office Manager, Gina Herrera; Engineering and Compliance Manager, Roy Frausto and District Counsel, Jim Ciampa.

**Public:** Ed Chavez, Board of Director for the Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District (Upper District) and his wife, Mrs. Renee Chavez.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mr. Chavez said hello to the Board and discussed with the Board, Upper District's outreach efforts and a recent health issue that he is recovering from. The Board thanked Mr. Chavez for attending and wished him the best in his continued recovery.

**5. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Motion: Adopt Agenda as Presented.

1st: President Escalera

2nd: Director Hastings

	<b>Escalera</b>	<b>Hernandez</b>	<b>Barajas</b>	<b>Hastings</b>	<b>Rojas</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent

Motion carried by a vote of: 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent, 0 Abstain.

**6. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

Motion: Approve Consent Calendar as Presented.

1st: Director Hastings

2nd: Vice President Hernandez

	<b>Escalera</b>	<b>Hernandez</b>	<b>Barajas</b>	<b>Hastings</b>	<b>Rojas</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent

Motion carried by a vote of: 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent, 0 Abstain.

**7. FINANCIAL REPORTS**

**A. Summary of the District’s Cash and Investments as of September 30, 2019.**

Mr. Galindo provided a summary of the balances in each account provided in the Summary of Cash and Investments as of September 30, 2019.

Motion: Receive and File the Summary of Cash and Investments as of September 30, 2019.

1st: Vice President Hernandez

2nd: Director Barajas

	<b>Escalera</b>	<b>Hernandez</b>	<b>Barajas</b>	<b>Hastings</b>	<b>Rojas</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent

Motion carried by a vote of: 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent, 0 Abstain.

**B. Statement of District’s Revenue and Expenses as of September 30, 2019.**

Mrs. Herrera provided a summary of the Statement of Revenues and Expenses for the District as of September 30, 2019 and explained the budget to date balances for various accounts.

Motion: Receive and File the Statement of the District’s Revenue and Expenses as of September 30, 2019.

1st: Director Barajas

2nd: Director Hastings

	<b>Escalera</b>	<b>Hernandez</b>	<b>Barajas</b>	<b>Hastings</b>	<b>Rojas</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent

Motion carried by a vote of: 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent, 0 Abstain.

**C. Statement of the Industry Public Utilities’ Water Operations Revenue and Expenses as of September 30, 2019.**

Mrs. Herrera provided a summary of the Statement of Revenues and Expenses for the Industry Public Utilities’ Water Operations and explained the budget to date balances for various accounts.

Motion: Receive and File the Statement of the Industry Public Utilities Water Operations’ Revenue and Expenses as of September 30, 2019.

1st: Director Hastings

2nd: Vice President Hernandez

	<b>Escalera</b>	<b>Hernandez</b>	<b>Barajas</b>	<b>Hastings</b>	<b>Rojas</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent

Motion carried by a vote of: 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent, 0 Abstain.

**8. ACTION / DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**A. Consideration of Cancelling the October 28, 2019, Regular Board of Director’s Meeting.**

Mr. Galindo reported that he would be on vacation for this meeting and is requesting the meeting be cancelled. After some discussion a motion was made by President Escalera.

Motion: Cancel the October 28, 2019 Regular Board of Director’s Meeting.

1st: President Escalera

2nd: Director Barajas

	<b>Escalera</b>	<b>Hernandez</b>	<b>Barajas</b>	<b>Hastings</b>	<b>Rojas</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent

Motion carried by a vote of: 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent, 0 Abstain.

**B. Consideration of Rescheduling the November 11, 2019 Regular Board of Director’s Meeting.**

Mr. Galindo advised the Board that this meeting date lands on a Holiday and recommended it be rescheduled to a different date. After some discussion amongst the Directors and Staff, a motion was made by President Escalera to reschedule the meeting to Tuesday, November 12, 2019.

Motion: Reschedule the November 11, 2019 Regular Board of Director’s meeting to November 12, 2019.

1st: President Escalera

2nd: Vice President Hernandez

	<b>Escalera</b>	<b>Hernandez</b>	<b>Barajas</b>	<b>Hastings</b>	<b>Rojas</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent

Motion carried by a vote of: 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent, 0 Abstain.

**C. Consideration of Entering into a Professional Services Agreement, as a Participating Member, Between the Public Water Agencies Group (PWAG) and Claris Strategy to Assist the District in Completing the Requirements of the America’s Water Infrastructure Act (AWIA) of 2018.**

Mr. Galindo provided some brief information on PWAG, their recent incorporation and their efforts on emergency response coordination. Mr. Frausto then provided an overview of his staff report and a presentation on the AWIA requirements. After some discussion amongst the Directors and staff on the item, a motion was made by Director Barajas.

Motion: Authorize the General Manager to Enter into an Agreement with the Public Water Agencies Group and Claris Strategy to Assist the District in Completing the Phase I Requirements of the America’s Water Infrastructure Act of 2018 for an Amount Not to Exceed \$9,718.00.

1st: Director Barajas

2nd: Director Hastings

	<b>Escalera</b>	<b>Hernandez</b>	<b>Barajas</b>	<b>Hastings</b>	<b>Rojas</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent

Motion carried by a vote of: 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent, 0 Abstain.

**D. Consideration of Amendment to the 2015 Memorandum of Understanding Between the District and the Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District for the District's Recycled Water Project.**

Mr. Galindo provided a summary of his staff report on the item and highlighted the amendments to the MOU and the fiscal impact to the District. After some discussion amongst the Directors and staff, a motion was made by President Escalera.

Motion: Approve the Amendment to the 2015 Memorandum of Understanding Between the District and the Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District for the District's Recycled Water Project.

1st: President Escalera

2nd: Director Barajas

	<b>Escalera</b>	<b>Hernandez</b>	<b>Barajas</b>	<b>Hastings</b>	<b>Rojas</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent

Motion carried by a vote of: 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent, 0 Abstain.

**E. Consideration of Quote from Econo Fence, Inc. for Fence Removal and Installation Work at the District's Main Street Reservoir Site.**

Mr. Galindo provided a summary of his staff report on the item and presented some photos of the proposed fence realignment at the District's Main Street Reservoir Site. After some discussion amongst the Directors and staff, a motion was made by President Escalera.

Motion: Authorize the General Manager to Proceed with the Work as Quoted by Econo Fence, Inc. for a Not to Exceed Price of \$9,350.00.

1st: President Escalera

2nd: Vice President Hernandez

	<b>Escalera</b>	<b>Hernandez</b>	<b>Barajas</b>	<b>Hastings</b>	<b>Rojas</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent

Motion carried by a vote of: 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent, 0 Abstain.

**F. Consideration of Proposal from Stetson Engineers Inc. to Provide a Groundwater Treatment Feasibility Study for the Industry Public Utilities Water System.**

Mr. Galindo provided a summary of his staff report on the item and presented some figures that helped explain the need for the City of Industry to complete groundwater feasibility study. This item was considered by the Industry Public Utilities Commission on October 10, 2019 where the Commission did authorize the study to be performed. Since the District will be overseeing the work being proposed by Stetson, it is recommended for the District to directly contract with Stetson to complete the feasibility study. He stated that all cost related to the study will be paid from the IPU water operations budget. Mr. Galindo provided a review of the current impacts to the City's well field from the BPOU contaminant plume and potentially the PVOU plume. After discussion amongst the Directors and staff, a motion was made by President Escalera.

Motion: Authorize the General Manager to Enter into an Agreement with Stetson Engineers Inc. to provide a Groundwater Treatment Feasibility Study for the Industry Public Utilities for an Amount Not to Exceed \$101,400.00.

1st: President Escalera

2nd: Director Barajas

	<b>Escalera</b>	<b>Hernandez</b>	<b>Barajas</b>	<b>Hastings</b>	<b>Rojas</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent

Motion carried by a vote of: 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent, 0 Abstain.

## 9. ENGINEERING AND COMPLIANCE MANAGER’S REPORT

Mr. Frausto reported on various items that were included in his report. Mr. Galindo added some information regarding the PFAS FAQ sheet at PFAS sampling. There was some discussion amongst the Board and Staff on some of the items included in the report.

Motion: Receive and File the Engineering and Compliance Manager’s Report.

1st: President Escalera

2nd: Vice President Hernandez

	<b>Escalera</b>	<b>Hernandez</b>	<b>Barajas</b>	<b>Hastings</b>	<b>Rojas</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent

Motion carried by a vote of: 4 Yes, 0 No, 1 Absent, 0 Abstain.

## 10. GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT

Mr. Galindo reported that he would be on vacation from October 18<sup>th</sup> – October 21<sup>st</sup>.

## 11. OTHER ITEMS

### A. Upcoming Events.

Mrs. Herrera reviewed upcoming events with the Board and verified what events each member would be attending.

### B. Information Items.

Included in Board Packet.

## 12. ATTORNEY’S COMMENTS

No comments.

## 13. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

### A. Report on Events Attended.

President Escalera reported that he attended 1 event: WaterSmart Innovations 2019.

Vice President Hernandez reported that he attended 1 event: WaterSmart Innovations 2019.

Director Barajas reported that he attended 1 event: WaterSmart Innovations 2019.

Director Hastings reported that he attended 1 event: WaterSmart Innovations 2019.

**B. Other Comments.**

President Escalera announced that our Engineering & Compliance Manager would be leaving the La Puente Valley County Water District.

**14. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

No future items.

**15. ADJOURNMENT**

President Escalera adjourned the meeting at 6:33 p.m.

Attest:

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John P. Escalera, President

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Greg B. Galindo, Secretary