



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF  
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
LA PUENTE VALLEY COUNTY WATER DISTRICT  
FOR MONDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2021 AT 5:30 PM**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

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

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

President Rojas led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

President Rojas	Vice President Barajas	Director Argudo	Director Escalera	Director Hernandez
Present Via Teleconference	Present Via Teleconference	Absent	Absent	Present Via Teleconference

**OTHERS PRESENT**

**Staff and Counsel:** General Manager & Board Secretary, Roy Frausto; Office Manager, Gina Herrera; Customer Service and Accounting Clerk, Vanessa Koyama; Operations & Maintenance Superintendent, Paul Zampielo; Water Treatment & Supply Superintendent, Cesar Ortiz and District Counsel, Jim Ciampa all present via teleconference.

**Public:** Mr. Ed Chavez, Board President from the Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District and Mr. David Hastings, former Board Member.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mr. Chavez wanted to report that Mr. Bryan Urias, Mayor of Duarte, had passed.

**5. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Motion: Adopt Agenda as Presented.

1st: President Rojas

2nd: Director Hernandez

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

Motion carried by a vote of: 3 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 2 Absent.

Director Escalera entered the meeting at approximately 5:34 p.m.

**6. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

Motion: Approve Consent Calendar as Presented.

1st: President Rojas

2nd: Director Hernandez

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

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

Director Argudo entered the meeting at approximately 5:36 p.m.

## 7. FINANCIAL REPORTS

### A. Summary of the District's and IPU's Cash and Investments as of September 30, 2021.

Mr. Frausto provided a summary of the balances in each account provided in the Summary of Cash and Investments as of September 30, 2021.

Motion: Receive and File the Summary of Cash and Investments as of September 30, 2021.

1st: President Rojas

2nd: Director Barajas

	<b>Rojas</b>	<b>Barajas</b>	<b>Argudo</b>	<b>Escalera</b>	<b>Hernandez</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion carried by a vote of: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent.

### B. Statement of District's Revenue and Expenses as of September 30, 2021.

Mrs. Herrera provided a summary of the Statement of Revenues and Expenses for the District as of September 30, 2021.

Motion: Receive and File the Statement of the District's Revenue and Expenses as of September 30, 2021.

1st: Director Escalera

2nd: President Rojas

	<b>Rojas</b>	<b>Barajas</b>	<b>Argudo</b>	<b>Escalera</b>	<b>Hernandez</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion carried by a vote of: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent.

### C. Statement of the Industry Public Utilities' Water Operations Revenue and Expenses as of August 31, 2021.

Mrs. Herrera provided a summary of the Statement of Revenues and Expenses for the Industry Public Utilities' Water Operations.

Motion: Receive and File the Statement of the Industry Public Utilities Water Operations' Revenue and Expenses as of September 30, 2021.

1st: Director Argudo

2nd: Director Barajas

	<b>Rojas</b>	<b>Barajas</b>	<b>Argudo</b>	<b>Escalera</b>	<b>Hernandez</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion carried by a vote of: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent.

**8. PUBLIC HEARING TO RESCIND RESOLUTION NO.240 AND DECLARING WATER USE EFFICIENCY PRACTICES AND WATER CONSERVATION MEASURES.**

There was no Public Comments.

**9. ACTION / DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**A. Consideration of Resolution 273 Rescinding Resolution No. 240 and Declaring Water Use Efficiency Practices and Water Conservation Measures.**

Mr. Frausto presented a presentation providing an overview of the new resolution proposed and explained the new stages of drought that was added.

Motion: Approve Resolution 273 Rescinding Resolution No. 240 and Declaring Water Use Efficiency Practices and Water Conservation Measures.

1st: President Rojas

2nd: Director Escalera

	<b>Rojas</b>	<b>Barajas</b>	<b>Argudo</b>	<b>Escalera</b>	<b>Hernandez</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Nay	Yes	Yes

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

**B. Consideration of Resolution 274 Proclaiming a State of Emergency Persists, Ratifying the Proclamation of a State of Emergency by Governor Gavin Newsom, and Authorizing Remote Teleconference Meetings of the Board of Directors.**

Mr. Ciampa explained to the Board some changes made in the law regarding Teleconferencing by Local Agencies to protect the Public’s health and safety.

Motion: To Approve Resolution 274.

1st: President Rojas

2nd: Director Argudo

	<b>Rojas</b>	<b>Barajas</b>	<b>Argudo</b>	<b>Escalera</b>	<b>Hernandez</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion carried by a vote of: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent.

**10. OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

Mr. Zampello informed the Board on the report he provided in the Board Packet.

Motion: Receive and File the Operations and Maintenance Superintendent’s Report.

1st: President Rojas

2nd: Director Escalera

	<b>Rojas</b>	<b>Barajas</b>	<b>Argudo</b>	<b>Escalera</b>	<b>Hernandez</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion carried by a vote of: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent.

## **11. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

Mr. Frausto discussed the current rainfall levels and informed the Board of the new rate adjustment for City of Industry.

## **12. OTHER ITEMS**

### **A. Upcoming Events.**

Mrs. Herrera reported that this year the City of La Puente will be having a Holiday Parade and if any Board Members were interested in participating.

### **B. Information Items.**

Included in Board Packet

## **13. ATTORNEY'S COMMENTS**

Mr. Ciampa stated that he had nothing to report.

## **14. CLOSED SESSION 6:28 p.m.**

- A. Conference with legal counsel – anticipated litigation  
Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of government code section 54956.9. One case.

## **15. CLOSED SESSION REPORT 6:30 p.m.**

Board met in closed session and the Board was briefed on the facts and circumstances of the matter and no reportable action was taken.

## **16. BOARD MEMBERS COMMENTS**

### **A. Report on Events Attended.**

No Events to Report.

### **B. Other Comments.**

President Rojas and Director Escalera both congratulated Mr. Ortiz on his promotion.

## **17. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

None

## **18. ADJOURNMENT**

President Rojas adjourned the meeting at 6:09 p.m.

Attest:

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William R. Rojas, President

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Roy Frausto, Secretary