



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF  
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
LA PUENTE VALLEY COUNTY WATER DISTRICT  
FOR MONDAY, APRIL 10, 2023, AT 4:30 PM**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

President Hernandez called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

President Hernandez led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

| <b>President<br/>Hernandez</b> | <b>Vice<br/>President<br/>Rojas</b> | <b>Director<br/>Argudo</b> | <b>Director<br/>Barajas</b> | <b>Director<br/>Escalera</b> |
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| Present                        | Present                             | Absent                     | Present                     | Present                      |

**OTHERS PRESENT**

**Staff and Counsel:** General Manager & Board Secretary, Roy Frausto; Office Manager, Gina Herrera; Customer Service & Accounting Supervisor, Shaunte Maldonado; Customer Support & Accounting Clerk II, Vanessa Koyama; Operations & Maintenance Superintendent, Paul Zampiello; Water Treatment & Supply Superintendent, Cesar Ortiz; and District Counsel, James Ciampa all present.

**Public:** No members of the public were present.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No comments from the Public.

Director Argudo entered the meeting at approximately 4:31 p.m.

**5. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Mr. Frausto asked to amend the Agenda to include the Mural Project as Item 7,B for discussion only.

Director Argudo presented a finding to justify amending the Agenda due to the immediate need and time sensitivity of the item.

Motion: Add Item 7B, the Mural Project to the April 10, 2023 Board Agenda.

1st: Director Barajas

2nd: Director Argudo

| <b>President<br/>Hernandez</b> | <b>Vice President<br/>Rojas</b> | <b>Director<br/>Argudo</b> | <b>Director<br/>Barajas</b> | <b>Director<br/>Escalera</b> |
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| <b>Vote</b> | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
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Motion carried by a vote of: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent

Motion: Adopt the Agenda with the amendment.

1st: President Hernandez

2nd: Director Barajas

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|             | <b>President Hernandez</b> | <b>Vice President Rojas</b> | <b>Director Argudo</b> | <b>Director Barajas</b> | <b>Director Escalera</b> |
| <b>Vote</b> | Yes                        | Yes                         | Yes                    | Yes                     | Yes                      |

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

**6. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

Motion: Approve Consent Calendar as Presented.

1st: President Hernandez

2nd: Director Escalera

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|             | <b>President Hernandez</b> | <b>Vice President Rojas</b> | <b>Director Argudo</b> | <b>Director Barajas</b> | <b>Director Escalera</b> |
| <b>Vote</b> | Yes                        | Yes                         | Yes                    | Yes                     | Yes                      |

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

**7. ACTION / DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**A. Consideration to Lease 265 Acre-Feet of Main San Gabriel Groundwater Production Rights to the Industry Public Utilities.**

Mr. Frausto discussed the fiscal impact of leasing water to Industry Public Utilities.

Motion: Authorize the General Manager to enter into lease agreement with the Industry Public Utilities for 265 Acre-Feet of FY2022-23, Main San Gabriel Basin Groundwater Production Rights.

1st: President Hernandez

2nd: Vice President Rojas

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|             | <b>President Hernandez</b> | <b>Vice President Rojas</b> | <b>Director Argudo</b> | <b>Director Barajas</b> | <b>Director Escalera</b> |
| <b>Vote</b> | Yes                        | Yes                         | Yes                    | Yes                     | Yes                      |

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

**B. La Puente Art Mural Project.**

Mr. Frausto summarized the updates and redesign to the art mural project based on the Board members' comments and input. He also answered several questions regarding the mural.

Discussion and agreement only, no action taken.

**8. OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Mr. Zampiello gave an overview of the report he provided in the Board Packet. Topics included the current well levels and various projects.

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

1st: President Hernandez

2nd: Director Argudo

|             | <b>President Hernandez</b> | <b>Vice President Rojas</b> | <b>Director Argudo</b> | <b>Director Barajas</b> | <b>Director Escalera</b> |
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| <b>Vote</b> | Yes                        | Yes                         | Yes                    | Yes                     | Yes                      |

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

## **9. TREATMENT AND SUPPLY SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Mr. Ortiz discussed water samples and updates at the Baldwin Park Operating Unit.

Motion: Receive and File the Treatment and Supply Superintendent's Report.

1st: President Hernandez

2nd: Director Escalera

|             | <b>President Hernandez</b> | <b>Vice President Rojas</b> | <b>Director Argudo</b> | <b>Director Barajas</b> | <b>Director Escalera</b> |
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| <b>Vote</b> | Yes                        | Yes                         | Yes                    | Yes                     | Yes                      |

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

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

Mr. Frausto had a brief report; he went over the Baldwin Park key well, the Water Quality Authority grant funding and interns starting at the District from the Internship Program.

## **11. OTHER ITEMS**

### **A. Upcoming Events**

Mrs. Herrera went over upcoming events and who would be attending the events.

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

Included in the Board Packet.

## **12. ATTORNEY'S COMMENTS**

Mr. Ciampa went over several legislative issues.

## **13. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

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

President Hernandez, Vice President Rojas and Director Escalera all reported that they attended one event: (1) AWWA Spring Conference in San Diego.

### **B. Other Comments**

Director Argudo brought up the issue of the mural and reported on the City Managers feedback.

**14. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

None.

**15. ADJOURNMENT**

President Hernandez adjourned the meeting at 5:16 p.m.

Attest:

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Henry P. Hernandez, Board President

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Roy Frausto, Board Secretary