



MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
LA PUENTE VALLEY COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
112 N. FIRST STREET, LA PUENTE, CALIFORNIA
MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 2024, AT 4:30 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Hernandez led the Pledge of Allegiance

3. ROLL CALL OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

| President | Vice President | Director | Director | Director |
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| Hernandez | Rojas | Argudo | Barajas | Escalera |
| Present | Present | Absent | Present | Present |

OTHERS PRESENT

Staff and Counsel: General Manager & Board Secretary, Roy Frausto; Customer Service & Accounting Supervisor, Shaunte Maldonado; HR Coordinator/Admin Assistant, Angelina Padilla; Operations & Maintenance Superintendent, Paul Zampiello; Water Treatment & Supply Superintendent, Cesar Ortiz; and District Counsel, James Ciampa was present.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

5. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion: Adopt Agenda as Presented.

1st: President Hernandez

2nd: Vice President Rojas

| | President Hernandez | Vice President Rojas | Director Argudo | Director Barajas | Director Escalera |
|-------------|---------------------|----------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Vote | Yes | Yes | Absent | Yes | Yes |

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

6. REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

A. President

Director Escalera nominated Vice President Rojas for the position of Board President; with no other nominations, Director Escalera made the motion to elect Vice President Rojas to serve as President of the Board.

1st: Director Escalera

2nd: Director Barajas

| | President Hernandez | Vice President Rojas | Director Argudo | Director Barajas | Director Escalera |
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| Vote | Yes | Yes | Absent | Yes | Yes |

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

B. Vice President

President Rojas nominated Director Escalera for the position of Vice President; with no other nominations, President Rojas made the motion to elect Director Escalera to serve as Vice President of the Board.

1st: President Rojas

2nd: Director Barajas

| | President Rojas | Director Escalera | Director Argudo | Director Barajas | Director Hernandez |
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| Vote | Yes | Yes | Absent | Yes | Yes |

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

7. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion: Adopt Agenda as Presented.

1st: President Rojas

2nd: Director Escalera

| | President Rojas | Vice President Escalera | Director Argudo | Director Barajas | Director Hernandez |
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| Vote | Yes | Yes | Absent | Yes | Yes |

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

8. FINANCIAL REPORTS

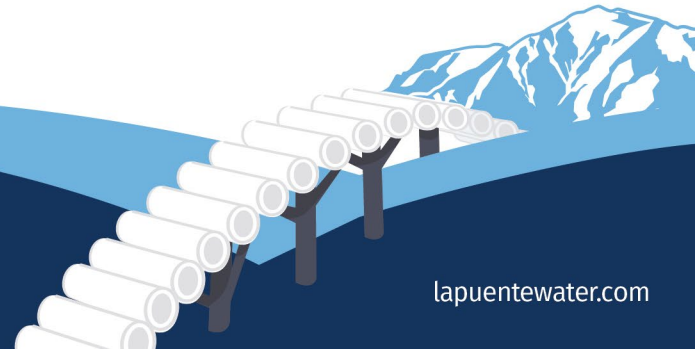
A. Summary of the District's Cash and Investments as of November 30, 2023.

Mr. Frausto provided a summary of the balances in each account and was available for any questions.

Motion: Receive and File

1st: Vice President Escalera

2nd: President Rojas



| | President Rojas | Vice President Escalera | Director Argudo | Director Barajas | Director Hernandez |
|-------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Vote | Yes | Yes | Absent | Yes | Yes |

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

B. Statement of District’s Revenue and Expenses as of November 30, 2023.

Ms. Maldonado provided a summary of the Districts Revenue and Expenses and was available for any questions.

Motion: Receive and File
 1st: Vice President Escalera
 2nd: Director Hernandez

| | President Rojas | Vice President Escalera | Director Argudo | Director Barajas | Director Hernandez |
|-------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Vote | Yes | Yes | Absent | Yes | Yes |

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

C. Statement of the Industry Public Utilities Water Operations Revenue and Expenses as of November 30, 2023.

Ms. Maldonado provided a summary of Industry’s Revenue and Expenses and was available for any questions.

Motion: Receive and File.
 1st: President Rojas
 2nd: Director Hernandez

| | President Rojas | Vice President Escalera | Director Argudo | Director Barajas | Director Hernandez |
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| Vote | Yes | Yes | Absent | Yes | Yes |

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

9. ACTION / DISCUSSION ITEMS

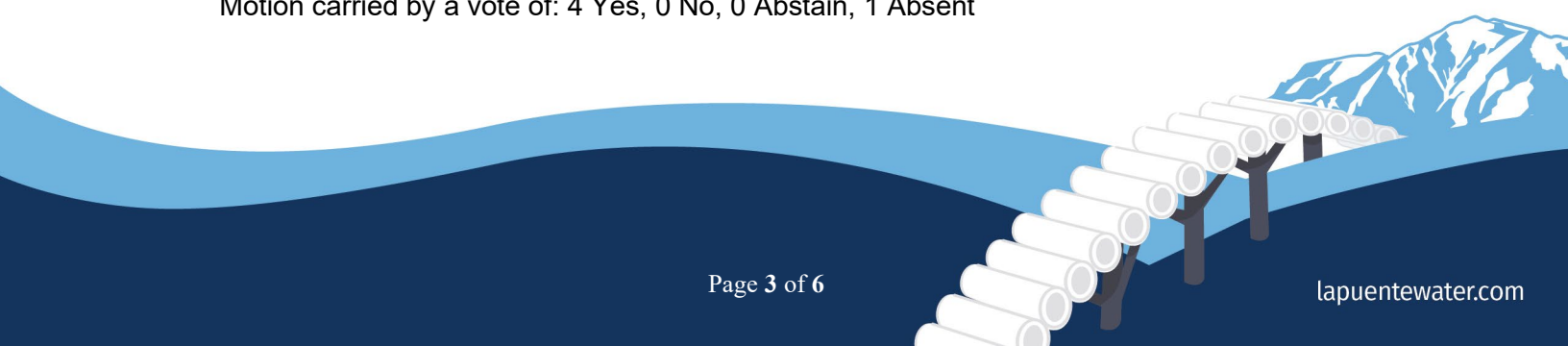
A. Approval of Attendance of Upcoming Conferences and Events.

Mr. Frausto went over the upcoming conferences and events for the 2024 year.

Motion: Approve Attendance of Upcoming Conference and Events
 1st: President Rojas
 2nd: Director Hernandez

| | President Rojas | Vice President Escalera | Director Argudo | Director Barajas | Director Hernandez |
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| Vote | Yes | Yes | Absent | Yes | Yes |

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



B. Tabled Item - Consideration of the Sixth Tolling Agreement with the BKK Working Group Regarding Potential Environmental Claims related to the BKK Corporation Landfill Facility.

Mr. Ciampa went over his findings and noted that the District is a de minimis party and recommended that they approve the sixth tolling agreement to avoid getting sued by the BKK working group.

Motion: Approve the Execution of the Sixth Tolling Agreement with the BKK Working Group
 1st: President Rojas
 2nd: Director Hernandez

| | President Rojas | Vice President Escalera | Director Argudo | Director Barajas | Director Hernandez |
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| Vote | Yes | Yes | Absent | Yes | Yes |

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

C. Consideration of Proposal from Evoqua Water Technologies for Single Pass Ion Exchange Resin Replacement Services.

Mr. Frausto went over the staff report for this item. President Rojas and Vice President Escalera asked some clarifying questions and Mr. Frausto was able to answer their questions.

Motion: Authorize the General Manager to Enter into an Agreement with Evoqua Water Technologies for four (4) Single Pass Ion Exchange Resin Replacement Services.
 1st: President Rojas
 2nd: Vice President Escalera

| | President Rojas | Vice President Escalera | Director Argudo | Director Barajas | Director Hernandez |
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| Vote | Yes | Yes | Absent | Yes | Yes |

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

10. OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Mr. Zampielo went over his report and highlighted the District’s recycled water project’s and anticipates have 3-4 sites online in the next couple months.

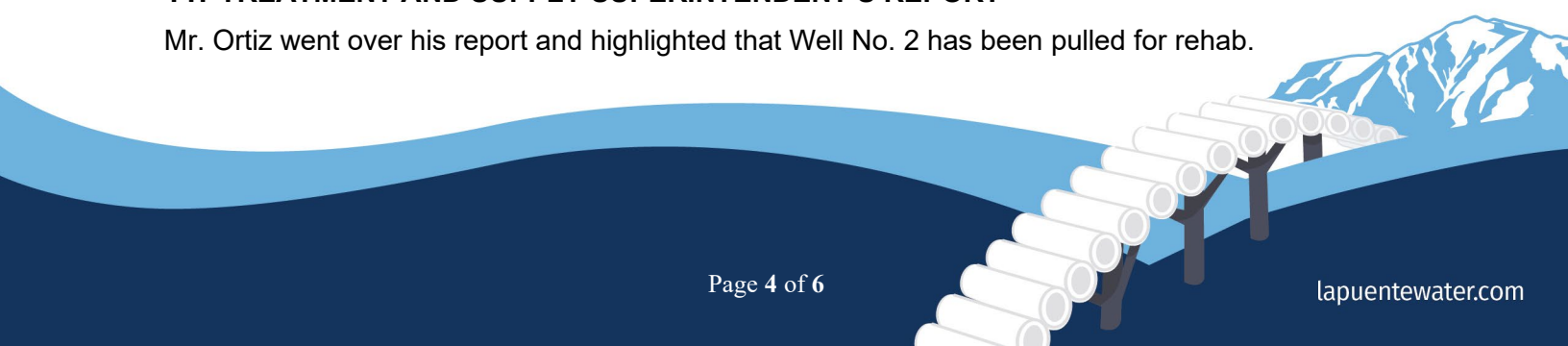
Motion: Receive and File
 1st: President Rojas
 2nd: Director Hernandez

| | President Rojas | Vice President Escalera | Director Argudo | Director Barajas | Director Hernandez |
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| Vote | Yes | Yes | Absent | Yes | Yes |

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

11. TREATMENT AND SUPPLY SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Mr. Ortiz went over his report and highlighted that Well No. 2 has been pulled for rehab.



Motion: Receive and File
 1st: President Rojas
 2nd: Director Hernandez

| | President Rojas | Vice President Escalera | Director Argudo | Director Barajas | Director Hernandez |
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| Vote | Yes | Yes | Absent | Yes | Yes |

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

12. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Ms. Padilla went over some Board items and social media analytics and was available for any questions.

13. GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT

Mr. Frausto provided a summary to the Board on various topics, including Baldwin Park key well, PVOU IZ & SZ budget, the Industry feasibility study, and highlighted a few of the staff’s anniversaries. Mr. Frausto also informed the Board of the cross-connection ordinance that was published in the Tribune.

14. OTHER ITEMS

A. Upcoming Events.

Ms. Padilla went over the upcoming events and confirmed the Board’s attendance to these events.

B. Information Items.

None.

15. ATTORNEY’S COMMENTS

Mr. Ciampa informed the board that he will keep an eye out for any new legislation, and he will update the California Secretary of State of our new filing officers.

16. CLOSED SESSION

The Board recessed into closed session at 5:06 pm to discuss the following item:

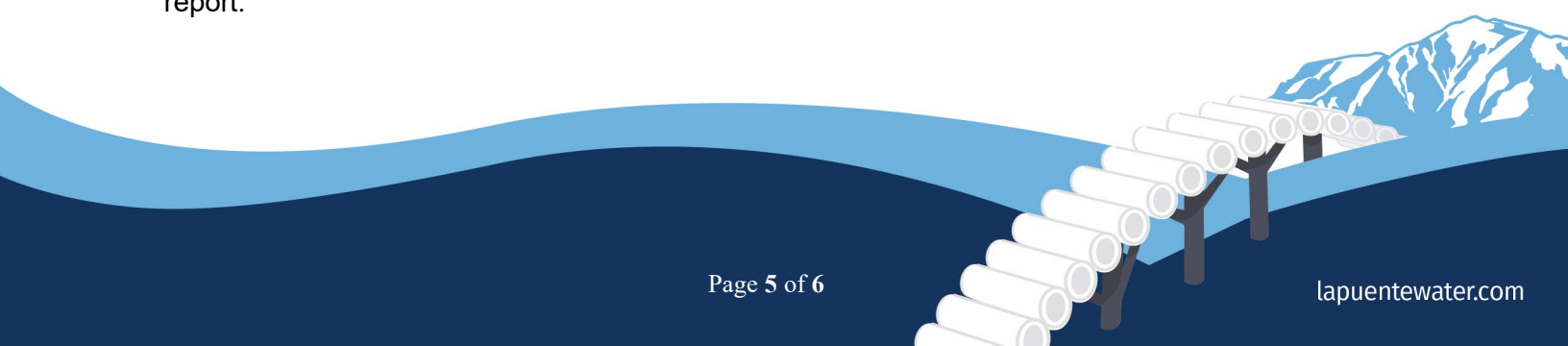
A. Conference with Labor Negotiators – Government Code Section 54957.6

District Designated Representatives: Board Of Directors

Unrepresented Employee: General Manager

17. CLOSED SESSION REPORT

Mr. Ciampa provided the following closed session report; no reportable action taken, nothing to report.



18. ACTION ITEM

A. Consideration and Possible Approval of Amendments to General Manager’s Employment Contract.

Mr. Ciampa went over the amendments to the General Manager’s Employment Contract, which include a District match to his 457b compensation plan, up to half of the permissible IRS contribution, and also to have the District pay the General Managers contribution portion of social security.

Motion: Approval of Amendment to General Managers Employment Contract

1st: President Rojas

2nd: Director Hernandez

| | President Rojas | Vice President Escalera | Director Argudo | Director Barajas | Director Hernandez |
|-------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Vote | Yes | Yes | Absent | Yes | Yes |

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

19. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

A. Report on Events Attended.

B. Other Comments.

Vice President Escalera and President Rojas commended Director Hernandez on his presidency.

20. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

21. ADJOURNMENT

President William Rojas adjourned the meeting at 5:35 pm.

Attest:

William Rojas, Board President

Roy Frausto, Board Secretary

