



MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
LA PUENTE VALLEY COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
112 N. FIRST STREET, LA PUENTE, CALIFORNIA
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 2024, AT 4:30 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Rojas led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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

Director Argudo was not present during roll call and arrived at the meeting at 4:34 pm.

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 were present.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

5. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion: Adopt Agenda
1st: President Rojas
2nd: Vice President Escalera

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

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

6. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion: Approval of Consent Calendar

1st: President Rojas

2nd: Vice President Escalera

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

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

7. FINANCIAL REPORTS

A. Summary of the District’s Cash and Investments as of October 31, 2024

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

Motion: Receive and File.

1st: President Rojas

2nd: Director Barajas

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

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

B. Statement of District’s Revenue and Expenses as of October 31, 2024

Ms. Maldonado provided a summary of the District’s revenues and expenses and was available for any questions.

Motion: Receive and File.

1st: Director Barajas

2nd: Director Argudo

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

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 October 31, 2024

Ms. Maldonado provided a summary of IPU’s revenues and expenses and was available for any questions.

Motion: Receive and File.

1st: President Rojas

2nd: Director Argudo

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

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

8. WORKSHOP – 2025 DISTRICT BUDGET

Mr. Frausto gave a presentation on the proposed 2025 District budget and was available for any questions.

9. ACTION / DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Consideration of Purchase of UV Lamps for the Trojan UV Treatment System Located at the Districts BPOU Groundwater Treatment Facility

Mr. Ortiz presented the staff report on this item and was available for any questions.

Motion: Authorize the General Manager to Purchase UV Lamps from Trojan Technologies.

1st: President Rojas

2nd: Director Barajas

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

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

B. Consideration of Lease of Main San Gabriel Basin Production Rights from Valencia Heights Water Company

Mr. Frausto presented the staff report on this item and was available for any questions.

Motion: Authorize the General Manager to Lease 300 Acre-Feet of 24-25 Main San Gabriel Basin Groundwater Production Rights.

1st: President Rojas

2nd: Vice President Escalera

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

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

C. Consideration of Resolution No. 305 Establishing a Policy for Discontinuation of Residential Water Service for Non-Payment

Ms. Maldonado presented the staff report on this item and was available for any questions.

Motion: Approve Resolution No. 305

1st: President Rojas

2nd: Director Barajas

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

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

10. OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Zampiello presented his staff report and was available for any questions.

Motion: Receive and File

1st: President Rojas

2nd: Vice President Escalera

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

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

11. TREATMENT AND SUPPLY SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Ortiz presented his staff report and was available for any questions.

Motion: Receive and File

1st: President Rojas

2nd: Director Argudo

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

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

12. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Ms. Padilla went over Board reminders, public communication, and updates to social media and the website and was available for any questions.

13. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Frausto presented his report and was available for any questions.

14. OTHER ITEMS

A. Upcoming Events

Ms. Padilla reviewed the upcoming events and confirmed the Board's planned attendance.

B. Information Items

Attached in Board Packet.

15. ATTORNEY'S COMMENTS

Mr. Ciampa wished the Board and Staff a Happy Thanksgiving.

16. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

A. Report on Events Attended

President Rojas and Vice President Escalera reported on their attendance to the San Gabriel Valley Water Association Annual Membership breakfast.

Vice President Escalera also reported on his attendance to the Southern California Water Utility Association luncheon.

B. Other Comments

None.

17. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

18. CLOSED SESSION

The Board recessed into closed session at 5:18 pm to discuss the following items:

- A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2))

Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant Subdivision (D)(2) of Government Code Section 54956.9: One Case

19. CLOSED SESSION REPORT

The Board reconvened at 5:22 pm, and Mr. Ciampa presented the following report: the Board considered the claim submitted on behalf of Liliana Romero and Gustavo Gutierrez Jr., and the Board rejected the claim and directed Counsel to provide notice of rejection to the claimants.

20. ADJOURNMENT

President William R. Rojas adjourned the meeting at 5:23 pm.

Attest:

William Rojas, Board President

Roy Frausto, Board Secretary