



MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS LA PUENTE VALLEY COUNTY WATER DISTRICT 112 N. FIRST STREET, LA PUENTE, CALIFORNIA MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2025, AT 4:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Escalera called the meeting to order at 4:31 pm.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Escalera led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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

OTHERS PRESENT

Staff and Counsel: General Manager & Board Secretary, Roy Frausto; Operations & Treatment Superintendent, Cesar Ortiz; Customer Service & Accounting Supervisor, Shaunte Maldonado; HR Coordinator/Admin Assistant, Angelina Padilla; and District Counsel, Reid Miller was present via telephone.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

5. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion: Adopt the Agenda

1st: Director Argudo

2nd: Vice President Barajas

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

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

6. PUBLIC HEARING PROHIBITING POTABLE WATER FROM BEING USED TO IRRIGATE CERTAIN AREAS OF NON-FUNCTIONAL TURF

A. Open Public Hearing

President Escalera opened the Public Hearing at 4:33 pm.

B. Staff Presentation

Mr. Frausto presented the staff report on this item and was available for any questions. Director Argudo had some questions, and discussion proceeded.

C. Public Comments

No public comments were made during this period.

D. Close Public Hearing

President Escalera closed the Public Hearing at 4:42 pm.

E. Consideration of Approval and Adoption of Ordinance No. 2025-02 Prohibiting Potable Water from being used to Irrigate Certain Areas of Non-Functional Turf.

Director Argudo chose to recuse himself from the vote in the event there's any overlaps or any conflict.

Motion: Approve and Adopt Ordinance No. 2025-02.

1st: President Escalera

2nd: Vice President Barajas

	President Escalera	Vice President Barajas	Director Argudo	Director Hernandez	Director Rojas
Vote	Yes	Yes	<i>Recused</i>	Absent	Yes

Motion carried by a vote of: 3 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent, 1 Recused.

7. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion: Adopt the Consent Calendar

1st: Director Argudo

2nd: Vice President Barajas

	President Escalera	Vice President Barajas	Director Argudo	Director Hernandez	Director Rojas
Vote	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	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 October 31, 2025.

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

Motion: Receive and File

1st: Director Argudo

2nd: Director Rojas

	President Escalera	Vice President Barajas	Director Argudo	Director Hernandez	Director Rojas
Vote	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	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 October 31, 2025.

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

Motion: Receive and File

1st: Director Argudo

2nd: Director Rojas

	President Escalera	Vice President Barajas	Director Argudo	Director Hernandez	Director Rojas
Vote	Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent	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 October 31, 2025.

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

Motion: Receive and File

1st: Director Argudo

2nd: Director Rojas

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

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

9. WORKSHOP – 2026 DISTRICT BUDGET

Mr. Frausto presented the 2026 District Budget PowerPoint to the Board. The Board discussed the proposed Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) recommended by the General Manager and reached consensus on a 3.5% COLA. Mr. Frausto will prepare the Budget Document incorporating the Board's recommendations for consideration at the next meeting.

10. ACTION / DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Consideration of Proposal for Cybersecurity at PVOU as Recommended by Stantec.

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

Motion: Authorize the General Manager to Proceed with Awarding the Cybersecurity Remediation Contract to Captain IT.

1st: Director Argudo

2nd: Vice President Barajas

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

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

B. Approval of Attendance to Upcoming Conferences and Events.

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

Motion: Approve Attendance to Upcoming Conferences and Events.

1st: Director Argudo

2nd: Director Rojas

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

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

11. GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT

Mr. Frausto provided a summary on his meeting with the EPA and the entities that are part of the BPOU agreement.

12. OTHER ITEMS

A. Upcoming Events.

Ms. Padilla provided a list of upcoming events and confirmed the Boards attendance to these events.

B. Information Items.

None.

13. ATTORNEY’S COMMENTS

Mr. Reid Miller wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

14. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

A. Report on Events Attended.

President Escalera and Director Rojas reported on their attendance to San Gabriel Valley Water Association Quarterly Breakfast. President Escalera also reported on his attendance to the Southern California Water Utility Association Breakfast.

B. Other Comments.

None.

15. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

16. ADJOURNMENT

President Escalera adjourned the meeting at 5:23 pm.

Attest:

John P. Escalera, Board President

Roy Frausto, Board Secretary