



MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
LA PUENTE VALLEY COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
112 N. FIRST STREET, LA PUENTE, CALIFORNIA
MONDAY, APRIL 27, 2026, AT 4:30 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Barajas led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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

Director Argudo was not present during roll call but joined the meeting at 4:33 pm.

OTHERS PRESENT

Staff and Counsel: General Manager & Board Secretary, Roy Frausto; Customer Service & Accounting Supervisor, Shaunte Maldonado; HR Coordinator/Admin Assistant, Angelina Padilla and District Counsel, Jim Ciampa was present via phone.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Resident, Georgene Navarrete, was in attendance but did not make a comment.

5. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

President Barajas asked if there were any changes to the agenda. Mr. Frausto requested that the Closed Session portion of the meeting be moved ahead of the Consent Calendar, as District Counsel was traveling and experiencing an unstable telephone connection.

Motion: Adopt the Agenda.

1st: Rojas

2nd: Argudo

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

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

6. CLOSED SESSION

The Board recessed into closed session at 4:35pm, to discuss the following matter:

- A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – POTENTIAL LITIGATION – Significant exposure to litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2))
One Case

7. CLOSED SESSION REPORT

Mr. Ciampa made the following report, the Board considered claims that had been previously filed by the Samano family, and the Board unanimously voted to reject those claims and directed legal counsel to provide notice of those rejections.

8. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion: Adopt the Consent Calendar.

1st: Barajas

2nd: Argudo

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

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

9. FINANCIAL REPORTS

A. Summary of the District’s Cash and Investments as of March 31, 2026.

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

Motion: Receive and File.

1st: Rojas

2nd: Barajas

	President Barajas	Vice President Hernandez	Director Rojas	Director Argudo	Director Escalera
Vote	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 March 31, 2026

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

Motion: Receive and File.

1st: Barajas

2nd: Argudo

	President Barajas	Vice President Hernandez	Director Rojas	Director Argudo	Director Escalera
Vote	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 March 31, 2026.

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

Motion: Receive and File.

1st: Escalera
 2nd: Hernandez

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

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

10. ACTION / DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Consideration of Removal and Replacement of Internal Electrical Components within the EW-N CP-4100 at PVOU-SZ.

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

Motion: Authorize the General Manager to Proceed with the Selected Contractor for Removal, Installation, Programming, and Commissioning of the EW-N CP-4100 Control Panel Components to Restore Operation of the EW-N System.

1st: Rojas
 2nd: Argudo

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

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

B. Consideration of Lease of Main San Gabriel Basin Production Rights from Mrs. Sieglinde A. Tate.

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

Motion: Authorize the General Manager to Lease 46.82 Acre-Feet of 25-26 Main San Gabriel Basin Water Production Rights from Mrs. Sieglinde Tate for the Amount of \$46,312.94.

1st: Rojas
 2nd: Barajas

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

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

C. Consideration to Lease 300 Acre-Feet of Main San Gabriel Groundwater Production Rights to the Industry Public Utilities.

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

Motion: Authorize the General Manager to enter into a Lease Agreement with the Industry Public Utilities for 300 Acre-Feet of 2025-26 Main San Gabriel Basin Groundwater Production Rights.

1st: Barajas
 2nd: Argudo

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

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

D. Consideration of Adoption of a Vehicle Accident Prevention & Response Policy.

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

Motion: Adopt Resolution No. 319.

1st: Rojas

2nd: Escalera

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

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

E. Consideration of Cancellation of the May 25, 2026 Regular Board of Directors Meeting.

Mr. Frausto presented the staff report regarding cancellation of the May 25, 2026 Regular Board Meeting due to the Memorial Day holiday. Following discussion, the Board concurred with canceling the meeting.

Motion: Cancel the May 25, 2026 Regular Board of Directors Meeting.

1st: Argudo

2nd: Barajas

	President Barajas	Vice President Hernandez	Director Rojas	Director Argudo	Director Escalera
Vote	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 briefed the Board on City of Industry’s Well No. 5 rehabilitation.

12. OTHER ITEMS

A. Upcoming Events.

Ms. Padilla went over the upcoming conferences with the Board.

B. Information Items.

None.

13. ATTORNEY’S COMMENTS

Mr. Ciampa notified the Board that BPOU discussions are ongoing.

14. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

A. Report on Events Attended.

President Barajas and Director Hernandez reported on their attendance to the SCWUA luncheon.

B. Other Comments.

None.

15. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

16. ADJOURNMENT

President Barajas adjourned the meeting at 4:57 pm.

Attest:

Cesar J. Barajas, Board President

Roy Frausto, Board Secretary