



MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
LA PUENTE VALLEY COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
112 N. FIRST STREET, LA PUENTE, CALIFORNIA
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 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	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; Distribution Supervisor, Miguel Molina and District Counsel, Jim Ciampa were present.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

5. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion: Adopt the Agenda.

1st: Barajas

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.

6. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion: Adopt the Consent Calendar.

1st: Barajas

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.

7. ACTION / DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Consideration of Supplemental Benefit Plans.

Ms. Padilla presented this item to the Board along with the additional information previously requested. Following the staff report presentation and discussion of the available options, the Board determined that the District will fund up to a maximum of \$680 toward each eligible employee’s FSA plan. This employer-funded contribution will be available to employees only; however, members of the Board of Directors will not be eligible for the employer-funded portion but may elect to participate in the FSA at their own expense.

Motion: Approve funding by the District of up to a maximum of \$680 toward each eligible employee’s Flexible Spending Account (FSA). The employer funded contribution shall be available to employees only. Members of the Board of Directors are not eligible for the employer-funded portion but may elect to participate in the FSA at their own expense

1st: Argudo
2nd: Barajas

	President Barajas	Vice President Hernandez	Director Argudo	Director Rojas	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 Michael Dawes.

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

Motion: Authorize the General Manager to Lease 357.74 Acre-Feet of 25-26 Main San Gabriel Basin Production Rights from Michael Dawes.

1st: Rojas
2nd: Argudo

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

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

C. Consideration of Resolution No. 316 Authorizing the District to Participate in a Grant from the State Water Resources Control Board.

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

Motion: Adopt Resolution No. 316.

1st: Barajas
2nd: Argudo

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

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

8. OPERATIONS AND TREATMENT REPORT

Mr. Frausto presented the staff report on this item and Mr. Molina presented the distribution activities for the month of January. They were available for any questions.

Motion: Receive and File
 1st: Barajas
 2nd: Hernandez

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

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

9. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Ms. Padilla went over her report and was available for any questions.

10. GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT

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

11. OTHER ITEMS

A. Upcoming Events.

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

B. Information Items.

None.

12. ATTORNEY’S COMMENTS

Mr. Ciampa gave a brief legislative update and a state water allocation update.

13. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

A. Report on Events Attended.

Director Rojas reported on his attendance to the Special Meeting of the First Consolidated Oversight Board Meeting.

B. Other Comments.

None.

The Board recessed into closed session at 5:04pm to discuss the following items:

14. CLOSED SESSION

A. Conference with Real Property Negotiator - [Government Code §54956.8]

Property: L. A. County Assessor’s Parcel Number 8208-025-948

District Negotiator: Roy Frausto, General Manager

Negotiating Parties: City of Industry

Under Negotiation: Price and Payment Terms

B. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation – Significant Exposure to Litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9, Subdivision (d)(2)):

- One Potential Case

15. CLOSED SESSION REPORT

Mr. Ciampa gave the following report on Item 14a, the Board was updated with respect to the price and payment terms of that proposed transaction, no reportable action taken. For Item 14b, the Board was briefed on the facts and circumstances, and no reportable action was taken.

16. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

17. ADJOURNMENT

President Barajas adjourned the meeting at 5:17 pm.

Attest:

Cesar J. Barajas, Board President

Roy Frausto, Board Secretary