



MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
LA PUENTE VALLEY COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
112 N. FIRST STREET, LA PUENTE, CALIFORNIA
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 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

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 were present.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Resident, Georgene Navarrete, was in attendance and greeted the Board.

5. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion: Adopt the Agenda.

1st: Rojas

2nd: Hernandez

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

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

6. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion: Adopt the Consent Calendar.

1st: Rojas

2nd: Hernandez

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

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

7. FINANCIAL REPORTS

A. Summary of the District's Cash and Investments as of January 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: Escalera

	President Barajas	Vice President Hernandez	Director Rojas	Director Argudo	Director Escalera
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 January 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: Rojas

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

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

8. ACTION / DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Consideration of Proposal from Tri-County to Rehabilitate Industry Public Utilities Waterworks System's Well No. 5.

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

Motion: Authorize the General Manager to Proceed with the Work as Proposed by Tri-County Pump Company for an Amount Not to Exceed \$227,299.57 plus a 5% contingency.

1st: Argudo

2nd: Barajas

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

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

B. Consideration of Letter of Support for SB 1001 – Water Utility Workers: Identification Card Program.

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

Motion: Authorize Staff to Submit a Letter of Support on Behalf of the District.

1st: Rojas

2nd: Barajas

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

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

9. GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT

Mr. Frausto gave an update on RDA meetings with Watermaster and some general updates.

10. OTHER ITEMS

A. Upcoming Events.

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

B. Information Items.

None.

11. ATTORNEY’S COMMENTS

Mr. Ciampa gave a brief legislative update.

12. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

A. Report on Events Attended.

Vice President Hernandez and Director Escalera reported on their attendance to the Annual Groundwater

B. Other Comments.

None.

13. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

14. ADJOURNMENT

President Barajas adjourned the meeting at 4:58 pm.

Attest:

Cesar J. Barajas, Board President

Roy Frausto, Board Secretary