HOME GARDENS SANITARY DISTRICT MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS DECEMBER 19, 2023

The Special Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Home Gardens Sanitary District was called to order by the President, Efrain Barajas, at 7:30 p.m. at the Office of the District, 13538 Magnolia Ave. Corona, CA 92879. (The Regular Meeting for December was cancelled.)

Directors present were: Garrison, Samson Runion,
Serrato and Cacho. Also present were: Tracey LaBonte,
General Manager; Tania Duarte, Administrative Assistant.
Director Barajas was also present remotely.

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 28, 2023 were presented for approval. Motion was made by Director Garrison, seconded by Director Serrato, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes as presented.

Expenditures for the month of December 2023 were presented and discussed. Motion was made by Director Serrato, seconded by Director Samson Runion, and unanimously carried to approve the monthly expenditures as presented.

Manager LaBonte presented the Budget Efficiency & Income /Revenue reports. Discussion followed.

Staff Report: None.

President Barajas moved back to Item II on the agenda.

Public Comment: None.

WRCRWA Rescheduled Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

December 11, 2023

4A. Authorize an Agreement for JCSD to use Temporary Yard Space at the WRCRWA Treatment Plant Site

The Board of Directors approved the Agreement with Jurupa Community Services District (JCSD) to use a 350' x 130' space at WRCRWA Treatment Plant site to use as a construction laydown yard as it initiates a water service line replacement project in nearby areas in the city of Eastvale. The space will be used to house vehicles, materials, and a trailer for the project crew. JCSD anticipates using the space for three to five years while it works to secure a permanent location.

5. Updates

5A. Operations

- All three Contact Basins have been cleaned and since then they have had no high toxicity tests.
- They are trying out two boilers to heat the floor to dry out the sludge instead of the usual one. They are hoping to reduce the moisture in the sludge during the winter months.
- Liquid treatment side is going very well.

5B. Capital Improvements

- Anaerobic Digester #3: Expected Completion Date is end of January 2024. It was determined that the center of the lid is not as strong as they thought so it has been removed and shipped to Utah to be reinforced.
- Odor Mitigation Project: 89% Complete. Should be completed by 2/27/24.

5C. WRCRWA Recycled Water Program

• IEUA has requested a pause in negotiations because of a change in high level staff and they need to look at their Financial Planning for Recycled Water. The manager of IEUA will be in attendance at the upcoming Executive Committee Board meeting on Thursday,

December 14th to reportedly reassure WRCRWA that this is only a pause, and they are not backing out.

6A. Administrator's Comments

• Dopudja & Well's Agreement needs to be replenished by \$35,000 to continue to work with them. A second Agreement will also need to be put into place for a study of allocation of costs on the Conveyance System.

Items for Discussion and Consideration:

- 1. The Board discussed November's Monthly Status Report from G & G Environmental Compliance.
- 2. After consideration for Claudia Ingram's request to waive a late fee in the amount of \$45.81, a motion was made by Director Cacho, seconded by Director Serrato, and unanimously carried to approve waiving the late fee one time.
- 3. The Board discussed current delinquent accounts.

Directors Comments: All the Directors wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

There being no further business, President Efrain Barajas adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Grady Garrison, Secretary

The foregoing minutes were approved by the Board of Directors of the Home Gardens Sanitary District at the regularly scheduled meeting of said Board, January 23, 2024.

Signed:

Efrain Barajas, Preside

Grady Garrison, Secretary