HOME GARDENS SANITARY DISTRICT

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MARCH 26, 2024

The Regular 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.

Directors present were: Barajas, Garrison, Samson Runion, Serrato and Cacho. Also present were: Alan Burns, District Counsel; Tracey LaBonte, General Manager; Tania Duarte, Administrative Assistant and Jeff Sims, District Engineer.

Items for discussion and consideration:

- 1. Jeff Sims presented an overview of the Recycled Water Pump Station and Northerly Pipeline. He answered any questions the Board had.
- 2. A motion was made by Director Serrato, seconded by Director Garrison, and unanimously carried to approve the Construction, Operations, and Maintenance Agreement Draft for the Recycled Water Pump Station and On-Site Reservoir.
- 3. A motion was made by Director Cacho, seconded by Director Serrato, and unanimously carried to approve the

Construction, Operations, and Maintenance Agreement Draft for the Northerly Recycled Water Pipeline.

President Barajas moved back to Item II on the agenda.

Public Comment: None.

Hearing for Delinquent Accounts:

The Meeting was called to public hearing at 8:23 p.m.

District Counsel, Alan Burns, presented an overview of the hearing, which was presided over by the President, Efrain Barajas. The hearing was being held pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 6523.2. No persons notified of this hearing appeared to present evidence of why they should not be disconnected from the public sewer system. The General Manager was called to present the status of the accounts. Tracey LaBonte testified that the status of accounts as presented in the attached "Notice of Hearing" was accurate and that all persons on the list had been duly notified of the hearing. Motion was made by Director Serrato, seconded by Director Samson Runion, and unanimously carried to disconnect those properties in the "Notice of Hearing" from the sewer system on or after April 15, 2024. This hearing concluded at 8:24 p.m.

Minutes of the regular meeting of February 27, 2024 were presented for approval. Motion was made by Director Garrison, seconded by Director Cacho, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes as presented.

Expenditures for the month of March 2024 were presented and discussed. Motion was made by Director Garrison, seconded by Director Samson Runion, and unanimously carried to approve the expenditures as presented.

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

Staff Report: None.

WRCRWA Committee Report: None.

Items for discussion and consideration:

- 4. The Board discussed February's Monthly Status Report by G & G Environmental Compliance.
- 5. A motion was made by Director Cacho seconded by Director Samson Runion and unanimously carried to approve Marcus Wrice's request to issue a check in the amount of \$81.24 for overpayment on his account.

- 6. After consideration for James Le's request to waive a late fee incurred in January 2024, a motion was made by Director Cacho, seconded by Director Samson Runion, and unanimously carried to approve waiving the late fee one time.
- 7. The Board discussed the iCheck Gateway Innovative Payment Solutions application so the District can begin to take electronic payments. The Board decided to bring this item back on the agenda next month.
- 8. A motion was made by Director Cacho, seconded by Director Serrato and unanimously carried to approve that President Barajas decide and vote for the Regular Special District Member and Alternate Special District Member of the Riverside Local Agency Formation Commission.
- 9. District Counsel, Alan Burns, presented training on Laws related to Brown Act and Financial Disclosure as a result of the 1974 Political Reform Act for public officials as part of AB1234 Ethics Training (30 minutes of required two hours. Special emphasis was placed on the recent phenomena of "zoom-bombing" and how to address it under the Brown Act. 1 hour completed so far).

Closed Session: None.

Director Comments: None.

There being no further business, President Efrain Barajas adjourned the meeting at 9:02 psm.

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 April 23, 2024.

Signed:

Efrain Barajas, President

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Grady Garrison, Secretary