## HOME GARDENS SANITARY DISTRICT MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS SEPTEMBER 22, 2020

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Home Gardens Sanitary District was called to order by the President Karen Samson Runion at 7:31 p.m. at the office of the District, 13538 Magnolia Ave., Corona, California.

Directors present were Samson Runion, Serrato, Cacho, Barajas and Garrison. Also present were Alan Burns, District Counsel; Janey Gress, General Manager; Tracey LaBonte, Staff Assistant & Tim Beld, Representative for Riverside Insurance Agency, Inc.

President Samson Runion moved to Item IX number 2. on the agenda.

Items for discussion and consideration:

2. Tim Beld gave an overview of the proposal that was presented to The Home Gardens Sanitary District for General Liability Insurance. The Glatfelter Public Practice Policy was discussed. Motion was made by Director Garrison, seconded by Director Barajas, and unanimously carried to accept the renewal policy for Glatfelter Public Practice.

President Samson Runion moved back to Item II on the agenda.

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Public Comment: None.

Minutes of the regular meeting of August 25, 2020 were presented for approval. Motion was made by Director Serrato, seconded by Director Cacho, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes as presented.

Expenditures for the month of September were presented and discussed. Motion was made by Director Barajas, seconded by Director Garrison, and unanimously carried to approve the monthly expenditures as presented.

Manager Gress presented the budget efficiency and Income/Revenue reports. Discussion followed.

Staff Report: None, except District Counsel advised that the Auditors (Smith Marion) and bookkeeper (Christenson Orejel) had resolved an internal accounting dispute.

A Regular Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Western Riverside County Regional Wastewater Authority, September 10, 2020:

- The Executive Committee approved to recommend that the Board of Directors approve an amendment and increase of \$51,191 to the Professional Services Contract with Albert A. Webb Associates, from \$287,170 to \$338,361, in order to modify the electrical plans and specifications for Anaerobic Digester No. 3 due to changes caused by the Odor Control Project at the WRCRWA Wastewater Treatment Plant.
- 2. The Executive Committee made a motion to recommend that the Board of Directors Receive and File the Pre-Audit Communication Letter from the Board appointed independent

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audit firm, White Nelson Diehl Evans LLP, for the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 audit.

- 3. The Executive Committee made a motion to recommend the Board of Directors Adopt Resolution 20-002 Amending WRCRWA's Conflict of Interest Code.
- 4. The Executive Committee made a motion to recommend that the Board of Directors Adopt Resolution 20-003 recognizing Rod LeMond for three years of service as WRCRWA's Administrator.

Items for discussion and consideration:

- The Board Discussed August's Monthly Status Report from G & G Environmental Compliance. Pacifica Foods was nearing completion of its permit application.
- 3. The Board Discussed the Patron's accounts that are past due during COVID-19.

4. The Board discussed District Operations, Disconnections, and Late Fees considering the COVID-19 pandemic. Operations will remain the same, no disconnections will be performed. Liens will be placed after next billing; each late customer has been notified. Late fees will be waived for all patrons since the COVID-19 pandemic began and will be addressed again at the October 27, 2020 Board meeting. This will be a recurring item on the agenda as needed. District Counsel was asked if any laws had changed and he promised an update at the next meeting.

Closed Session: None.

Directors Comments: District Counsel Burns reported on River Watch litigation in Orange County and elsewhere over sewer spills.

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There being no further business, President Samson Runion adjourned the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Migued Serrato, 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 October 27, 2020.

Signed:

Karen Samson Runion, President

Miguel Serrato, Secretary