MINUTES HARRIS-GALVESTON SUBSIDENCE DISTRICT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOVEMBER 8, 2023, 10:00 A.M.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT: Emily Anderson, Susan Baird, Sarah Benavides, Chris Canonico, Pete Côté, Steve Gillett, Don Johnson, Ken Keller, Jason Long, Craig Lovell, Shannon Lucas, Katherine Mears, Alan Petrov, Melinda Salazar, Kyle Sears, Shaun Theriot-Smith

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD ABSENT: Rosa Alvarez, Augustus Campbell, Lindy Murff.

PRESIDING: Alan Petrov, Chairman

- CALL TO ORDER OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. Chairman Petrov called the regular meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 10:03 a.m. and noted the presence of a quorum. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- 2. ACCEPT COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. None.
- APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF OCTOBER 11, 2023. Mr. Côté moved that the minutes of the regular meeting of October 11, 2023, be approved; it was seconded by Ms. Mears. Chairman Petrov put the question and, after the vote, announced the motion carried. None opposed.
- APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE BOARD WORKSHOP OF OCTOBER 11, 2023. Mr. Côté moved that the minutes of the workshop of October 11, 2023, be approved; it was seconded by Ms. Mears. Chairman Petrov put the question and, after the vote, announced the motion carried. None opposed.
- 5. HEARING EXAMINERS REPORT. Ms. Benavides is now present. Ms. Helen Stewart Truscott presented the Hearing Examiner's Report for October 2023 and prior, including those for Axiom Commercial Interests, L.L.C and Mike Webber. Ms. Baird moved to accept the Hearing Examiner's recommendations as amended; it was seconded by Ms. Mears. Chairman Petrov called for abstentions. Ms. Benavides abstained from the City of Pasadena. Ms. Lucas abstained from Harris County ID 13 and Harris County 544. Chairman Petrov put the question and, after the vote, announced the motion carried. None opposed.
- 6. EMERGENCY PERMITS. The Board considered the General Manager's action in granting emergency permits Magdelena Comacho, Lone Star NGL, Natura PCR, L.L.C. (1), Natura PCR, L.L.C. (2), Thien Pham, and Slab Works, L.L.C.
- 7. RESOLUTION ADOPTING A BUDGET FOR THE HARRIS-GALVESTON SUBSIDENCE DISTRICT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2024 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024. Mr. Côté moved to approve the resolution adopting a 2024 budget; it was seconded by Ms. Mears. Chairman Petrov put the question and, after the vote, announced the motion carried. Mr. Johnson opposed. (This resolution is in full in the official records of the Harris-Galveston Subsidence District being Resolution No. 2023-1104.)
- 8. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A JOINT-FUNDING AGREEMENT (JFA) WITH THE UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY TO PRIVIDE FOR A COOPERATIVE RESEARCH PROGRAM FOR THE COLLECTION AND PUBLICATION OF

WATER RESOURCES AND SUBSIDENCE DATA FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2024, AND AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS. Mr. Côté moved to approve the resolution authorizing the execution of the JFA and the expenditure of funds; it was seconded by Ms. Mears. Chairman Petrov put the question and, after the vote, announced the motion carried. (This resolution is in full in the official records of the Harris-Galveston Subsidence District being Resolution No. 2023-1105.)

- RECEIVE BRIEFING FROM STAFF ON THE STATUS OF THE JOINT REGULATORY PLAN. Ashley Greuter, Director of Research and Water Conservation, briefed the Board on the status of the Joint Regulatory Plan Review. Mr. Theriot-Smith is now present.
- 10. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT. Mr. Turco submitted the General Manager's Report. (The General Manager's Report is in full in the official records of the Harris-Galveston Subsidence District as part of the Board's Agenda Packet for this meeting.)
- 11. LEGAL & LEGISLATIVE MATTERS. Mr. Ellis updated the Board on recent litigation on groundwater issues and legislative matters.
- 12. EXECUTIVE SESSION. None.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 10:58 A.M.

BY:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Secretary