

**MINUTES
HARRIS-GALVESTON SUBSIDENCE DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
November 13, 2024
10:00 A.M.**

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT: Bill Alcorn, Rosa Alvarez, Susan Baird, Sarah Benavides, Augustus Campbell, Chris Canonico, Pete Côté, Brian Freedman, Steve Gillett, Don Johnson, Jason Long, Shannon Lucas, Craig Lovell, Katherine Mears, Lindy Murff, Alan Petrov, Kyle Sears

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD ABSENT: Emily Anderson, Shaun Theriot-Smith

PRESIDING: Alan Petrov, Chairman

1. 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 10:04 a.m. and noted the presence of a quorum. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
2. ACCEPT COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC. Ms. Melissa Rowell, of the North Harris County Regional Water Authority, addressed the Board of Directors. Mr. Joseph Olson, P.E., representing Civil Associates, addressed the Board of Directors.
3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF OCTOBER 9, 2024. Mr. Cote moved that the minutes of the regular meeting of October 9, 2024, be approved; it was seconded by Ms. Mears. Chairman Petrov called for abstentions. Mr. Sears and Ms. Lucas abstained. Chairman Petrov put the question and, after the vote, announced the motion carried. None opposed.
4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE BOARD WORKSHOP REGARDING THE PROPOSED 2025 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET HELD ON OCTOBER 9, 2024. Mr. Cote moved that the minutes of the workshop on October 9, 2024, be approved; it was seconded by Ms. Mears. Chairman Petrov called for abstentions. Mr. Sears and Ms. Lucas abstained. Chairman Petrov put the question and, after the vote, announced the motion carried.
5. HEARING EXAMINERS REPORT. Ms. Helen Stewart Truscott presented the Hearing Examiner's Report for October 2024 and prior, including for John Quyen Nguyen. Ms. Baird moved to accept the Hearing Examiner's recommendations as amended; it was seconded by Mr. Campbell. Chairman Petrov called for abstentions. Ms. Benavides abstained from City of Pasadena. 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 to Alleyton Resources Company, LLC, Aqua Texas, Inc. (Oak Manor WP), Brittany Bay Development, Gordy Oil Company, Houston Youth Sports Group, Ignite Church, Lone Star Pipe Services, LLC, Shahin Momin, Sunny Flea Market, Inc., Superscapes, and Waller 2920 Properties, Inc.
7. CONSIDER A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE DISTRICT COVERED APPLICATIONS AND PROHIBITED TECHNOLOGY POLICY. Mr. Turco stated that the governor of Texas signed a bill into law that required that TikTok and other applications, including some types of hardware, could not be utilized by any agency of the state of Texas. Ms. Mears moved to adopt the policy; it was seconded by Mr. Cote. Chairman Petrov put the question, and after the vote, announced the motion carried. None opposed.

Mr. Theriot Smith is now present.

8. CONSIDER A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A BUDGET FOR THE HARRIS-GALVESTON SUBSIDENCE DISTRICT FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2025 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2025. Mr. Turco stated that the 2025 Budget document that is presented to the Board today is essentially what was presented at the workshop in October, with two modifications reducing the budgeted health care costs and updating capital building improvements. The finance committee voted unanimously to recommend the 2025 budget to the Board for consideration. Mr. Cote moved to adopt the District budget for the 2025 calendar year; it was seconded by Mr. Gillett. After discussion, Chairman Petrov put the question, and after the vote, announced the motion carried. None opposed.
9. CONSIDER A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH UNITED HEALTHCARE FOR EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE. After discussion, Mr. Cote moved to authorize the general manager to execute the contract with United Healthcare; it was seconded by Ms. Mears. Chairman Petrov put the question, and after the vote, announced the motion carried. None opposed.
10. CONSIDER A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH SDC BUILDS, LLC, FOR A SECURITY AND CONTROLLED ACCESS FENCE FOR THE DISTRICT OFFICE PARKING LOT AND ENTRANCES. This item was not considered by the Board of Directors.
11. CONSIDER A RELOUTION AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH GREENVIEW LANDSCAPING FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A WATER CONSERVATION PROGRAM XERISCAPE LANDSCAPE AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE. Mr. Long moved to authorize the general manager to execute the contract; It was seconded by Mr. Lovell. Chairman Petrov put the question, and after the vote, announced the motion carried. None opposed.
12. 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.)
13. LEGAL & LEGISLATIVE MATTERS. Mr. Ellis updated the Board on recent litigation on groundwater issues and legislative matters.
14. EXECUTIVE SESSION. None.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 11:10 A.M.

BY:



Chairman

ATTEST:



Secretary