# LAMONT PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, December 11, 2018 6:00 P.M.

Meeting Location: District Office 8624 Segrue Road Lamont CA, 93241

#### 1. Call to Order/Roll Call

- a. Board President Jose Cruz called to order the regular board meeting at 6:01pm on Tuesday, December 11, 2018 at the office of the Lamont Public Utility District. All board members were present. Staff present included General Manager/District Secretary Scott Taylor and District Counsel Karl Berger.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance Led by President Cruz.
- 3. Board Member Swearing In:
  - a. Director Sanchez and Director Gonzalez were sworn in as board members for the term of 2018-2022. Director Alonso was sworn in, upon his arrival, later in the meeting for the term of 2018-2022.
- 4. Board Member Announcements
  - a. None.
- 5. Public Comment
  - i. None.
- 6. Staff Announcements Information Only
  - a. None.
- 7. Consent Agenda
  - a. Director Sanchez motioned for approval of consent calendar as presented. Motion seconded by Director Gonzalez. Approved 4-0.

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- 8. Regular Agenda
  - A. Modification of Approved Proposition 218 Rate Increase.
    - At Board request, General Manager brought item back to the Board for modification of the approved rate increase. General Manager provided additional back ground information and refresher information regarding the rates.
    - ii. General Manager invited Engineer Jon Turner to provide detailed information regarding the infrastructure needs and related costs. Mr. Turner provided said information in specific detail showing the large financial deficits without immediate rate increase implementation.
    - iii. Board had discussions regarding rate increase and costs included in the master plans for water and wastewater. Board directed staff to bring item back to January meeting so the

newest board member could have ample time to review rate increase proposal and materials.

- iv. The Board heard comments from the public.
- v. President Cruz stated the rate increase proposal is the lowest in the area.
- vi. Director Sanchez commented that the rate increase is to assist in covering costs mandated by the State and for operational costs.
- vii. Director Sanchez motioned to suspend implementation of the approved rate increase until the next Board meeting. Seconded by Director Gonzalez. Motion passed 5-0.

## B. Action to Issue Will Serve Letter for 8117 Montel Street.

- i. General Manager presented information relative to a request for a will serve letter for a zone change.
- ii. Director Sanchez motioned for approval. Seconded by Director Gonzalez. Motion passed 5-0.

## C. Action to Issue Will Serve Letter for 7837 Weedpatch Highway.

- i. General Manager presented information relative to a request for a will serve letter for a residential development project.
- ii. Director Gonzalez motioned for approval. Seconded by Director Prado. Motion passes 5-0.

## D. Action to Approve Final Site and Floor Plan for Administration Building.

- General Manager presented information relative to the final site plan and design of administration building incorporating changes requested by the Board. This approval allows the contractor to begin final preparation of the construction drawings for construction cost estimates.
- ii. Director Gonzalez motioned for approval. Seconded by Director Sanchez. Motion passes 5-0.

#### E. Reorganization of Board

i. Board took action to reorganize the board. Upon nominations and voting by the Board, results are President - Jose Cruz, Vice President - Jesus Alonso.

### Adjournment

A motion was made by Director Prado and seconded by Director Gonzalez to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lamont Public Utility District, held on Tuesday, December 11, 2018 at 7:41 pm. Approved. 5-0.

ATTEST

Jose G. Cruz, President of the Board

Scott Taylor, Secretary/General Manager