

# LAMONT PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, March 23, 2021 6:00 P.M.

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

## 1. Call to Order/Roll Call

- a. Board President Tim Prado called to order the regular board meeting at 6:03 pm on Tuesday, March 23, 2021 at the office of the Lamont Public Utility District. All Directors were present. Staff present included General Manager/District Secretary Scott Taylor and District Counsel Doug Gosling.

## 2. Pledge of Allegiance – Led by President Prado.

## 3. Board Member Announcements –

- a. Vice President Alonso provided information regarding AB 176 and the steering committee related to air quality in this area. VP Alonso indicated a presentation would be forth coming and invited all members to attend and participate in the air quality study process.

## 4. Public Comment –

- a. None.

## 5. Staff Announcements – Information Only

- a. Will Serve Letters – Tract Map 6206 Panama and Main Street.
- b. General Manager informed the Board that the preliminary draft budget would be presented in April.

## 6. Consent Agenda

- a. Director Sanchez motioned for approval of consent calendar as presented. Seconded by Director Gonzalez. Approved 5-0.

## 7. Closed Session

- a. Discussion with real property negotiators. The Board went into closed session at 6:07pm.
- b. Closed session ended at 6:52pm with no reportable action taken.

## 8. Regular Agenda

- Information Regarding Potential Capacity Fee Offset for Over-Sized Lift Station for Residential Housing Development.
  - i. General Manager provided information regarding the potential for offsetting the additional cost to oversize a lift station for future development with capacity fees for a current development. The details included the need to plan for development of land not included in the present project. Current developer would pay his pro rata share and fronts the costs for the oversizing of the lift station. Recoupment would occur via development fees attached on a per acre basis when future development of land occurs.

- ii. The Board inquired as to the need for over-sizing and how the costs would be distributed. Information was provided demonstrating the importance of planning for the future and not having multiple lift stations for the District to maintain. General Manager explained all costs would be recovered over time from future development.
- iii. Board indicated support for the concept and commented on the creativity and forward thinking of the General Manager.
- iv. No action required. Informational only.

**B. Report on Posting of Kern Housing Authority Rental Assistance Program.**

- i. General Manager provided information regarding the Kern Housing Authority Rental and Utility Assistance Program. General Manager stated that a flyer was prepared by staff and placed out for the customers of LPUD to access. Further, General Manager stated a notice was created and placed on LPUD webpage. This work was done at the request of VP Alonso.
- ii. Board members made inquiries regarding the program and how it would assist LPUD. The information was provided to potentially assist customers in paying their utility and rent bills, assuming they participated in the application process with Kern Housing.
- iii. Informational only. No Board action required.

**C. Report on Receipt of Kern County Covid Relief Grant of \$20,610.**

- i. General Manager provided information regarding receipt of \$20,610 in Kern County Covid Relief Grant funds. General Manager advised the funds were reimbursements for money expended protecting staff from Covid including reimbursement for time off of infected staff during quarantine.
- ii. Board inquired into source of grant and how it was received. Board praised General Manager for being aware and insuring inclusion of the District in obtaining relief funding.
- iii. Informational only. No Board action required.

**D. Report on GIS Mapping Program.**

- i. General Manager provided information regarding the GIS mapping program created for the District. The GIS Map allows staff to identify the location, size and various other aspect of infra-structure and fixed assets within the District. The largest function is the ability to know the location of piping, manholes and other related appurtenances of our water and wastewater system.
- ii. Board made inquiries as to its uses and understood the benefits to the District and our customers.
- iii. Informational Only. No Board action required.

**Adjournment**


A motion was made by Director Sanchez and seconded by Director Gonzalez to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lamont Public Utility District, held on Tuesday, March 23, 2021 at 7:55pm. Approved 5-0.

ATTEST:

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Timoteo Prado Calderon, President

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Scott Taylor, Secretary/General Manager