MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE LONG BEACH WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT NOVEMBER 15, 2018

The regular meeting of the Long Beach Water Management District was convened on Thursday, November 15, 2018, at the law offices of Dukes, Dukes, Keating & Faneca, P.A., 2909 13th Street, 6th Floor, Gulfport, Mississippi.

On roll call, the following Commissioners were found to be present as follows:

David Marshall Brett Mallette Mary Ladner

Also present was Jesse McBride, Jon Lukes, both residents of the City of Long Beach, Ben Benvenutti with Covington Civil & Environmental, LLC and Bobby Long, General Counsel for the Long Beach Water Management District, with the law firm of Dukes, Dukes, Keating & Faneca, P.A. A copy of the public sign-in sheet is attached hereto as **Exhibit "1"**.

A quorum of Commissioners was found to be present.

Commissioner Mallette entered the Notice of Meeting which was posted prior to the meeting. A copy of this notice is attached hereto as **Exhibit "2"**.

Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Ladner, seconded by Commissioner Marshall, and unanimously carried, the Minutes for October 15, 2018 Regular meeting were approved. A copy of the Minutes is attached hereto as **Exhibit "3**".

Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Marshall, seconded by Commissioner Ladner and unanimously carried, the Docket of Claims for November 15, 2018, was approved. A copy of the Docket of Claims is attached hereto as **Exhibit "4"**.

Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Ladner, seconded by Commissioner Marshall, and unanimously carried, the Resolution for Attorneys Fees for the period of October 11, 2018 through November 14, 2018, in the amount of \$2,117.90 was approved. See Resolution attached hereto as **Exhibit "5"**.

A discussion was held regarding the Canal 2/3 Maintenance project North of 28th Street. Ben Benvenutti with Covington stated that Twin L Construction had submitted a bid for the project; however, there was an error made in their bid and they had requested to withdraw same. Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Ladner, seconded by Commissioner Marshall, and unanimously carried, Twin L Construction was authorized to withdraw their bid for the project and Covington was authorized to

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return the bid bond to Twin L Construction. Furthermore, Ben Benvenutti stated that the lowest and best bid received for this project was from ACAD, LLC, and that Covington was recommending that the tentative award be made to ACAD, LLC. Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Marshall, seconded by Commissioner Ladner and unanimously carried, it was authorized and approved that the tentative award for the Canal 2/3 Maintenance Project be made to ACAD, LLC.

A discussion was held regarding the Canal No. 1 improvement project. Bobby Long informed the Commissioners that he had received communication from Norman Patterson with the NRCS regarding funding being made available to move forward with the design phase for the Canal No. 1 improvement project. Mr. Long stated that it was his understanding that the funding would be filtered through the NRCS office; however, the work itself could be contracted through the contract engineer for the LBWMD, which is Covington. Covington was to prepare a cost estimate for the Canal No. 1 improvement work and provide to the NRCS.

A discussion was held regarding a request received from Patti Ladner with Valbridge Property Advisors to have the contract engineer stake out the Kerry Gibson property for purposes of identifying how close the proposed Permanent Drainage is to a shed located on the Gibson property. A photograph of the shed located on the property is attached hereto as **Exhibit "6"**. The Commissioners approved that Covington stake out the proposed easement by virtue of a blanket work authorization governing the staking out of proposed easements for the purpose of determining what, if any, impact the proposed easement may have on the shed.

Jon Lukes, resident of the City of Long Beach was present at the meeting and raised a discussion regarding a ditch that is located behind his property at 20074 Commission Road, Long Beach, MS. Mr. Lukes indicated that it is not Canal No. 1 or Canal 2/3 but a separate ditch. He stated that there are frequently workers sighted in this ditch who have continued to enlarge the ditch over a period of time. He stated that he contacted the offices for the City of Long Beach who in turn gave him the meeting information for the LBWMD. Mr. Lukes was advised that the LBWMD only oversees Canal No. 1 and Canal 2/3 and that no other ditches are under its jurisdiction. Mr. Lukes further stated that there is no easement associated with the ditch on his property. The Commissioners requested that Bobby Long contact Joe Culpepper, engineer for the City of Long and relay Mr. Lukes' contact information to try to obtain an answer to his inquiry.

The next meeting of the Long Beach Water Management District was scheduled to be held on December 20, 2018.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, and upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Ladner, seconded by Commissioner Marshall, and unanimously carried, the meeting of the Long Beach Water Management District was adjourned.

Brett Mallette and Marshall

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