MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE LONG BEACH WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT DECEMBER 16, 2021

The regular meeting of the Long Beach Water Management District was convened on Thursday, December 16, 2021, at the Chimneys Restaurant, 1640 E. Beach Blvd., Gulfport, Mississippi.

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

David W. Marshall Brett Mallette Mary Ladner

Also present was Ben Benvenutti with Covington Engineering and general counsel, Bobby R. Long and Je'Nell B. Blum with the law firm of Dukes, Dukes, Keating & Faneca, P.A., see copy of the public sign-in sheet 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 Marshall, seconded by Commissioner Ladner, and unanimously carried, the Minutes for November 18, 2021 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 Minutes for the November 30, 2022 Special meeting were approved. A copy of the Minutes of Special Meeting are attached hereto as **Exhibit** "4".

Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Ladner, seconded by Commissioner Marshall and unanimously carried, the Docket of Claims for December 16, 2021, was approved. A copy of the Docket of Claims is attached hereto as **Exhibit "5"**.

Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Ladner, seconded by Commissioner Marshall, and unanimously carried, the Resolution for Attorneys Fees for the period of November 18, 2021 through December 14, 2021, in the amount of \$6,162.20 was approved, see Resolution attached hereto as **Exhibit "6"**.

A discussion was held regarding Canal No. 1 Improvement project and Ben Benvenutti with Covington provided a status update, with no action taken. See Report attached hereto as **Exhibit "7"**.

A discussion was held regarding the Canal No. 1 Easement Project. A status updated was provided by Bobby Long, with no further action taken.

A brief discussion was held regarding the Storm Debris Removal Project. Ben Benvenutti with Covington Engineering stated that the Plans and Specifications have been sent to the NRCS for review. Ben further stated that the project is ready to advertise for bids, with a bid date tentatively set for January 25th. See Report attached hereto as **Exhibit "7"**. Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Ladner, seconded by Commissioner Marshall, and unanimously carried, the Resolution Authorizing and Approving the Advertisement for Bids for the Debris Removal Project was approved, see Resolution attached hereto as **Exhibit "8"**.

Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Ladner, seconded by Commissioner Marshall, and unanimously carried, the Resolution Authorizing and Approving Ben Benvenutti and Covington Civil and Environmental to act as Advocate Representative on behalf of the Long Beach Water Management District for the purposes of overseeing the Bid Process and Implementation of the Debris Removal Project, said Resolution is attached hereto and incorporated herein as **Exhibit "9"**.

A discussion was held regarding the USACE Project for Canal 2/3. Ben Benvenutti with Covington provided a brief update stating that the USACE received a bid from a sole source contractor. USACE is currently negotiating a bid price with the contractor. See Report attached as **Exhibit "7"**.

The next meeting of the Long Beach Water Management District was scheduled to be held on January 20, 2022.

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

David W. Marshall

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