MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE LONG BEACH WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT NOVEMBER 16, 2023

The regular meeting of the Long Beach Water Management District was convened on Thursday, November 16, 2023, at the law offices of Dukes, Dukes, Keating & Faneca, P.A., 13334 Seaway Road, Ste. 203, Gulfport, Mississippi 39503.

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

David W. Marshall Brett Mallette Mary Ladner

Also present were Sarah McLellan and Ben Benvenutti with Covington Civil and general counsel, Je'Nell 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.

The Notice of Meeting was entered, 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 Agenda for the November 16, 2023 meeting was adopted. A copy of the November 16, 2023 Agenda is attached hereto as **Exhibit "3"**.

Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Marshall, seconded by Commissioner Mallette, and unanimously carried, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 19, 2023 were approved. A copy of the Minutes for October 19, 2023 is attached hereto as **Exhibit** "4"

Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Ladner, seconded by Commissioner Marshall, and unanimously carried, the Minutes of the Special Telephonic Meeting of October 25, 2023 were approved. A copy of the Minutes for October 25, 2023 is attached hereto as **Exhibit "5"**.

Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Ladner, seconded by Commissioner Marshall, and unanimously carried, the Minutes of the Special Telephonic Meeting of November 2, 2023 were approved. A copy of the Minutes for November 2, 2023 is attached hereto as **Exhibit "6"**.

Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Marshall, seconded by Commissioner Ladner, and unanimously carried, the Docket of Claims for November 16, 2023, was approved. A copy of the Docket of Claims is attached hereto as **Exhibit "7"**.

Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Ladner, seconded by Commissioner Marshall, and unanimously carried, the Resolution for Attorneys Fees for the period of October 18, 2022 through November 15, 2023 was approved, see Resolution attached hereto as **Exhibit "8"**.

A discussion was held regarding Canal No. 1 Improvement Project, Sarah McLellan with Covington provided an update stating that the pre-construction meeting was held on October 19, 2023 and the Construction Notice to Proceed was set for November 13, 2023 with anticipated completion date of December 17, 2024. Sarah further stated that the ground breaking ceremony was held November 9, 2023 at Pineville Road with JLB, NRCS and LBWMD. Additionally, Sarah stated that the contractor is currently surveying the project area and providing construction submittals to the engineer and that they plan to begin clearing within the next week. See Project Status Report attached hereto as **Exhibit** "9".

A discussion was held regarding the USACE Project for Canal 2/3 and Sarah McLellan with Covington provided a status update stating that the seeding placed by contractor has established. See Report attached hereto as **Exhibit "9"**.

A discussion was held regarding the status of the Maintenance Plan for Canal No. 1 and Canal 2/3 as required by the USACE. Sarah with Covington stated that once the amended OMRRR is provided by USACE, the Maintenance Plan will be updated and finalized. Sarah further stated that the USACE indicated that the OMRRR will be amended and updated once the Canal 2/3 project is completely closed out. See Report attached hereto as **Exhibit "9"**.

A discussion was held regarding Covington Invoice No. 16111.08-71 (Engineering Services associated with Canal No. 1 Improvement Project), no action was taken.

The next meeting of the Long Beach Water Management District was scheduled to be held on Thursday, December 21, 2023.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, and upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Marshall, seconded by Commissioner Mallette, and unanimously carried, the meeting of the LBWMD was adjourned.

Brett Mallette

David W. Marshall

Mary Ladner

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