MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE LONG BEACH WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT FEBRUARY 20, 2025

The regular meeting of the Long Beach Water Management District was convened on Thursday, February 20, 2025, at the law offices of Dukes, Keating, Hatten, McRaney, Blum, P.A.

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

David W. Marshall Brett Mallette Mary Ladner

Also present was Sarah McLellan with Covington Civil and Environmental and general counsel, Je'Nell Blum with the law firm of Dukes, Keating, Hatten, McRaney, Blum, 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 February 20, 2025 meeting was adopted. A copy of the February 20, 2025 Agenda is attached hereto as **Exhibit "3"**.

Old Business discussion was held, specifically regarding follow up with Commissioner Marshall regarding a conversation with a concerned resident along Kux Road and the need for guard rails, no further action was taken.

Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Ladner, seconded by Commissioner Marshall, and unanimously carried, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 23, 2025 were approved. A copy of the Minutes for January 23, 2025 is attached hereto as **Exhibit "4"**.

Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Marshall, seconded by Commissioner Ladner, and unanimously carried, the Docket of Claims for February 20, 2025, 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 January 15, 2025 through February 18, 2025 was approved, see Resolution attached hereto as **Exhibit "6"**.

A discussion was held regarding the Canal No. 1 Improvement Project. Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Marshall, seconded by Commissioner Ladner, and unanimously carried, the Resolution Approving Request for Advance or Reimbursement

for Pay Application No. 15 and Authorizing and Directing Chairman to Execute on Behalf of the Long Beach Water Management District for the Canal No. 1 Improvement Project was approved. See Resolution attached hereto as **Exhibit "7"**; and

A discussion was held regarding the Canal No. 1 Improvement Project, wherein Sarah provided an update regarding the status of the project. Sarah indicated that the Contractor has widened the canal just Southwest of the Klondyke Bridge. Sarah further indicated that Mississippi Power has relocated the power pole, and the Contractor will begin finalizing that section of the Canal as well as preparing to pave Kux Road. Sarah stated that she has spoken to Olguy with the NRCS about the Summary Change Order, and he approved our method for rectifying quantities, further he sated he would provide an official email confirming same. See Status Update Report attached hereto as **Exhibit** "8".

A discussion was held regarding the Canal Maintenance Plan implementation and check list. Sarah stated that the Proposal for Grass Cutting was finalized and needs approval. Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Ladner, seconded by Commissioner Marshall, and unanimously carried, the Resolution Authorizing and Approving the Advertisement for Bids for Grass Cutting Project for Canal No. 1 and Canal 2/3 as set forth in the Canal Maintenance Plan was approved. See Resolution attached hereto as **Exhibit** "9". Further, a Motion was made by Commissioner Marshall, seconded by Commissioner Ladner and unanimously carried, to approve the Bid Packet for the Grass Cutting Project as amended. See Bid Package attached hereto as **Exhibit** "10".

A discussion was held regarding a new promotion available for costs associated with hosting the LBWMD.org website through Web.com. The Commissioners made a motion approving making a change to an annual payment in the amount of \$1,499.98, as apposed to a monthly charge in the amount of \$259.00, which will result in a cost savings to the District in an approximate amount of \$1,609.00.

The next meeting of the Long Beach Water Management District was scheduled to be held on Thursday, March 20, 2025 at 2:30 p.m.

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

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