

MINUTES  
FIRST COLONY LEVEE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT  
OF FORT BEND COUNTY, TEXAS

January 30, 2024

The Board of Directors (the "Board") of First County Levee Improvement District of Fort Bend County, Texas (the "District"), convened in special session, open to the public, on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2024, at the Fort Bend Economic Development Council ("FB EDC"), 1 Fluor Daniel Dr., Building D, Conference Room: D1-0, outside the boundaries of the District, and the roll was called of the members of the Board:

Scott Jacobson	President
Richard E. Sherrill	Vice President/ Assistant Secretary
Debra Coffman	Secretary

and all of the above were present except Director Jacobson, thus constituting a quorum.

Also present at the meeting were Ron Frerich and Zach Weimer of First Colony Levee Improvement District No. 2 ("FC LID 2"); Rashid Khokhar and Sam Galyon of Fort Bend County Levee Improvement District No. 2 ("FB LID 2"); Rashid Khalfe and Doug White of Fort Bend County Levee Improvement District No. 14 ("FB LID 14"); Glen Gill of Fort Bend County Levee Improvement District No. 15 ("FB LID 15") via teleconference; Kalapi Sheth of Fort Bend County Levee Improvement District No. 19 ("FB LID 19"); Shirley Buckhanon-Mouton, Sonal Shah, and Shelley Winn of Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 46 ("FB MUD 46"); Martin Murdock of Quiddity Engineering, LLC; Craig Kalkomey of LJA Engineering, Inc.; Phil Martin of Mike Stone Associates, Inc.; Jason Klump of LID Solutions, LLC; Fort Bend County Precinct 3 Commissioner Andy Meyers (the "Commissioner"); Nikita Khambe and Andrew Van Chau of the Commissioner's office; Nancy Carter and Marcus Spencer of The Muller Law Group, PLLC; Allen Bogard, resident of Fort Bend County; and Justine M. Cherne of Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP.

The Board attended the First Colony - Missouri City (aka SugarStone) perimeter levee participants meeting and discussed routine business regarding perimeter levee facilities operations matters. No action was taken by the Board.

The meeting was chaired by FB LID 19. Ms. Carter called the meeting to order.

### INTRODUCTIONS

The individual meeting attendees introduced themselves.

## PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

## PERIMETER LEVEE INSPECTION AND MAINTENANCE MATTERS

A shared perimeter levee report from July 2023 to December 2023, was distributed, a copy of which is attached.

Mr. Martin reported on the status of FB LID 2's capital improvement projects since Hurricane Harvey. He stated there may be an opportunity for FB LID 2 to add more storage capacity in golf course ponds through coordination with the new owner of Sweetwater Country Club. Mr. Kalkomey reported the rehabilitation of Ditch H is anticipated later in the year. He stated there was minor pumping during the recent rain event to increase storage capacity.

Discussion ensued regarding efforts to obtain City of Sugar Land (the "City") Community Rating System ("CRS") National Flood Insurance Program ("NFIP") premium rates for residents of levee improvement districts and municipal utility districts located within the City.

Director Coffman and Mr. Klump reported on completed improvements to FC LID's facilities, including the District's projects to raise the levee and install a hog gate and maintenance projects. Director Coffman stated the District is discussing the feasibility of installing flap gates on outfalls since the Flat Bank Diversion Project formerly considered by Ft. Bend County, Missouri City, and other entities appears to be permanently tabled.

Mr. Frerich reported on completed improvements to FC LID 2's facilities, including raising its levee height to a 500-year level and renovating pump stations to increase pumping capacity tenfold. He reported on planned construction of a bunk house and the future installation of an irrigation system for an internal levee.

Mr. Kalkomey reported on the completion of FB MUD 46's two new pump stations.

Ms. Carter and Mr. Sheth reported on current and planned improvements to FB LID 19's facilities, including completion of a pump station expansion project in partnership with FB LID 15. Ms. Carter reported FB LID 19 received an interest free loan from the Texas Water Development Board ("TWDB") for the construction of a new pump station in partnership with the District and Fort Bend County Municipal Utility District No. 115. Mr. Sheth stated the new pump station will increase FB LID 19's pre-Hurricane Harvey pumping capacity from 80,000 to 510,000 gallons per minute.

Mr. Martin reported on FB LID 15's efforts to obtain the City's CRS NFIP premium rates for the Clements Crossing neighborhood. He stated FB LID 15's portable pumps will be available soon to sell to any interested party.

Mr. Kalkomey reported FB LID 14 anticipates receiving an interest free loan from TWDB for a pump station expansion project and discussed a project to change FB LID 14's flap gates to slide gates. He said FB LID 14's pumps were manually tested during the recent rain event.

#### REPORTS ON EMERGENCY OPERATIONS

There were no reports on emergency operations.

#### MEETING SCHEDULE, ASSIGNMENTS, AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Following discussion, the meeting attendees concurred to hold the next quarterly meeting at 12:00 p.m. on July 16, 2024, at a location to be determined, with FB MUD 46 as the chair. The FB EDC is no longer available for future meetings.

The meeting attendees also concurred to reschedule the annual inspection of the perimeter levee to 8:00 a.m., on Friday, April 12, 2024, or in the event of inclement weather, 8:00 a.m. on Friday, April 26, 2024. The inspection will begin at the Amil Gates located at 1111 Highway 6, Sugar Land, TX 77478. A quarterly meeting is currently not scheduled for April 2024.

#### LEGISLATIVE AND REGULATORY DEVELOPMENTS

Director Coffman provided an update on the Senate Bank Committee meeting held January 25, 2024, regarding reauthorization of the NFIP.

The Commissioner requested feedback from all attendees regarding items he should include in a petition to be sent to Congress and the United States Army Corps of Engineers by Monday, February 5, 2024. The goal of the petition is to draw attention to the issues facing Fort Bend County levees: Federal Emergency Management Agency ("FEMA") modifications; change in base flood elevations; certified and non-certified levees lumped together; and transparency of NFIP premium rates. Mr. Kalkomey stated he will provide feedback to the Commissioner regarding FEMA's denial of FB LID 2's request for access to full actuarial NFIP premium rates and a lack of transparency.

Mr. Gill and Director Coffman urged the meeting participants to attend the National Flood Association's Annual Conference. Mr. Gill stated FEMA continues to use information that dates back to 2014, which excludes millions of dollars of improvements that have been made since Hurricane Harvey.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was

adjourned.

*D. M. Toyman*  
Secretary, Board of Directors

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