HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 155

Minutes of Meeting of Board of Directors May 20, 2024

The Board of Directors ("Board") of Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 155 ("District") met on Monday, May 20, 2024, at the Sewage Treatment Plant at 16610 Longenbaugh Drive, Houston, Texas, in accordance with the duly posted notice of the meeting, with a quorum of directors present, as follows:

Margaret K. Dawson, President Jim Denmon, Vice President Clint Wilhelm, Secretary Corey Manahan, Director Barbara Scott, Director

and the following absent:

None.

Also present were Ms. Debbie Arellano, tax assessor-collector; Mr. Jorge Diaz of McLennan & Associates, LP; Mr. John Taylor of Municipal Operations & Consulting; Mr. Juan Salamanca of Texas Land Engineers, Inc.; Mr. Michael Smith of Michael's Maintenance; and Ms. Melissa J. Parks, attorney for the District.

The President called the meeting to order and declared it open for such business as might properly come before it.

1. The Board considered the following items from the Consent Agenda:

Minutes of the Board meeting held April 15, 2024, which the Board approved as presented.

Tax assessor-collector's report, copy attached, including invoices and a list of delinquent accounts. Through April 30, the rate of collection of 2023 taxes is 97.371%.

Bookkeeper's report, a copy of which is attached hereto, as well as invoices, a schedule of investments, and budget comparison reports.

After discussion, upon motion by Director Manahan, seconded by Director Wilhelm, the Board voted unanimously to approve the items on the Consent Agenda, including checks as reflected on the tax assessor-collector's and bookkeeper's reports.

offered.

2. The Board opened the meeting for public comment. No public comments were

3. The President of the Board executed Certificates of Election indicating that Directors Scott, Denmon, and Dawson were declared elected without opposition to serve additional four-year terms on the Board. Directors Scott, Denmon, and Dawson presented their executed statements of elected officer, letter of qualification, and oath of office. The Board accepted the documents, and these directors participated in the remainder of the meeting. The Board also acknowledged that these three directors had completed a conflicts disclosure questionnaire. Directors Wilhelm and Manahan had also completed such questionnaires. It was noted that no conflicts were disclosed and that everything appears to be in order. Thereafter, the Board agreed to maintain the same slate of officers with no changes. Ms. Parks stated the attorneys will make sure the information required to be posted online about the District reflects the new terms of office.

4. The Board reviewed correspondence from Municipal Risk Management Group LLC (MRMG) about the annual arbitrage analysis review. Concerning the District's Series 2010 Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, a 15th year arbitrage rebate report will be due after October 7, 2025, so no action was now necessary in that regard. Regarding yield restriction, MRMG recommended that the District engage Arbitrage Compliance Specialists Inc. to complete an interim yield restriction report to calculate potential liabilities prior to the five-year study period ending October 7, 2025, for which a report will be required. MRMG noted that prior to being fully spent, the construction funds remaining on deposit have lately been earning a rate of return higher than the 3.604414% bond yield. The Board considered the recommendation and reviewed the proposed engagement letter. After discussion, the Board declined to engage Arbitrage Compliance Specialists at this time.

5. John Taylor presented an operations report, copy attached. The report reflected 826 connections, including four vacancies. The sewage treatment plant had operated at 39% of permitted capacity during the month and without excursions. Total water accountability during the month was 100%, including when limited to within the District.

Mr. Taylor discussed the effects on District facilities of the recent derecho storm event. There is still no electricity at the water plant, but the plant is running on power from the generator. Electricity service has been restored at the sewage treatment plant. There was damage to the roof of the motor control center at the sewage treatment plant, and so far, the operator had obtained a proposal of \$4,100 for the repair. The Board unanimously authorized proceeding with the repair in an amount not to exceed \$4,100.

Mr. Taylor requested that the Board authorize inclusion of additional Municipal Operations & Consulting Inc. employees to the list of persons authorized to execute discharge monitoring reports regularly submitted to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. The Board granted the requested authorization. Mr. Taylor then requested Board execution of an agreement with Chase to amend the merchant card agreement to address bad payments received electronically from District customers via credit card and check. After discussion, the Board authorized execution of the agreement.

Mr. Taylor reported that the digital read out device to record information about electrical spikes at the water plant had been installed and would be activated as soon as electricity service has been restored at the plant. He then reported on the program to replace meters which have registered over 1.5 million gallons. There are 60 meters in the District that have registered over that amount, of which 30 are scheduled to be replaced this month and 30 the following month.

Mr. Taylor submitted a list of delinquent accounts eligible for termination of utility service for nonpayment. The listed customers had been given written notification of the opportunity to appear, either in-person or in writing, at the Board meeting to contest, explain, or request correction of the charges, services, or disconnection. No customers were in attendance or had contacted the operator in response to the written notification of delinquency. After discussion, the Board acknowledged that pursuant to provisions of the District's Rate Order, the operator will proceed with termination of utility service to the listed accounts. After further discussion of operating matters, upon motion by Director Wilhelm, seconded by Director Scott, the Board unanimously approved the report as presented.

6. Juan Salamanca presented an engineer's report, copy attached. Installation of irrigation facilities by Michael's Maintenance is complete in the area where the Phase 3 backslope

interceptor and fence replacement project was recently completed. The Board discussed the backflow prevention device installed for the irrigation facilities. After initial installation, the device had tilted and was re-set. The Board observed that it needs to be re-set again and leveled, and it asked Mr. Taylor to handle this work.

Mr. Salamanca reported on the televising of storm and sanitary sewer lines in the area of Harris County's concrete overflow structure near the back of Miller's Way, as discussed last month. Infiltration was observed, and the engineers have contacted Harris County about repair of the overflow structure. The engineers have not yet received a response from the County.

The Board then discussed damage to large areas of the District's fences caused by the recent storm event. The engineers have contacted JAK Environmental LLC to request a repair proposal. The Board would be interested to know the price per foot for the previous work and the price to be proposed. The Board also requested that the engineer make a claim under the District's property insurance policy for recovery from this damage. The Board agreed to call a special meeting as necessary to review proposals and authorize award of the repair work. After further discussion of the engineering matters, upon motion by Director Scott, seconded by Director Denmon, the Board approved the report as presented.

7. There were no matters to discuss related to the West Harris County Regional Water Authority.

8. Michael Smith addressed the Board and presented a written report on landscape maintenance. He confirmed that installation of the irrigation facilities in the backslope area was complete. He noted he had a tap added on the other side in case the District decides to add additional irrigation facilities in the future. Mr. Smith reported that winds from the recent storm had damaged three of the District's oak trees, but he believed the trees will survive. He then stated that at the next meeting he intends to present a proposal to trim trees along the District's fences. In the meantime, he plans to remove trees that are now leaning on fences as a result of the storm. After discussion, the Board unanimously authorized removal of the trees as described. Further, the Board accepted Mr. Smith's report.

9. The Board discussed pending business. Ms. Parks reported that the Harris-Galveston Subsidence District had contacted her office to ask if the Board would be interested in participating in the Subsidence District's annual water wise youth education program. The Board agreed that it did not wish to participate in the program.

The Board next briefly discussed plans to construct a down ramp from the District's pedestrian bridge crossing Horsepen Creek to the nearest sidewalk within Harris County MUD No. 172. Ms. Parks reported that a title report had been obtained on the land to be conveyed to the District. The report mainly addressed easements currently in place so that it can be determined whether all necessary easements already exist, or if some will need to be reserved by No. 172 for its utilities in the area, including the siphon. Work continues on completion of the conveyance. Director Wilhelm mentioned that the subject had been addressed by a visitor at a recent No. 172 board meeting.

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

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HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 155 <u>AMENDED</u> NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Notice is hereby given to all interested parties that the Board of Directors of the captioned District will hold a public meeting at <u>16610 Longenbaugh</u>, <u>Houston</u>, <u>Harris County</u>, <u>Texas</u> <u>77095</u>.

The meeting will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, May 20, 2024. The subject of the meeting is to consider and act on the following:

CONSENT AGENDA: The following items are considered routine by the Board and will be enacted by one motion if appropriate. No separate discussion will occur on these items unless a Board member or member of the public so requests, in which event, the item will be considered on the Regular Agenda.

- 1. Approve minutes of meeting held April 15, 2024
- 2. Tax assessor-collector's report and payment of invoices; delinquent accounts
- 3. Bookkeeper's report and payment of invoices; review and approve investment report

REGULAR AGENDA: Consideration of and action on the following items, plus any items removed from the Consent Agenda.

- 1. Presentation of public comments
- 2. Approve certificates of directors declared elected; approve qualifications of elected directors; Public Information Act Training; accept oaths and statements of elected officials; election of officers
- 3. Update compliance document/website for change in director terms of office
- 4. Director conflicts disclosures
- 5. Arbitrage rebate report and engagement letter
- 6. Operator's report; review active connections and water accountability; status of operation, maintenance, and repair of District facilities; consider customer appeals; termination of service on delinquent accounts; status of ongoing projects
- 7. Engineer's report, including:
 - a. irrigation for backslope interceptor project phase 3;
 - b. status of renewal of waste discharge permit;
 - c. fence replacement/rehabilitation project;
 - d. management of electricity usage at water and sewer plants; and
 - e. authorize preparation of plans as appropriate; authorize advertising for bids; award contracts; review and approve contractor pay estimates and change orders; request(s) for utility commitment(s)
- 8. Matters related to West Harris County Regional Water Authority

- 9. Report from Michael's Maintenance
- 10. Pending business, including:
 - a. comments from/discussion with other participants in regional facilities;
 - b. matters regarding pedestrian bridge crossing Horsepen Creek; authorize actions
 - as appropriate; and
 - c. items for placement on next meeting agenda
- 11. Executive Session as necessary Authorized under Texas Government Code Ann., §551.071, et seq.
- 12. Reconvene in Open Session and act on matters discussed in Executive Session, as necessary



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