

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 8
HELD AT THE OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT

March 8, 2023
1:30 o'clock, P.M.

The Board of Directors of County Sanitation District No. 8 of Los Angeles County met in regular session.

There were present: Emma Sharif, Director from Compton
Suely Saro, Alternate Director from Long Beach
Tim McOsker, Alternate Director from Los Angeles City
Lula Davis-Holmes, Chairperson, Director from Carson
Absent: Janice Hahn, Director from Los Angeles County
Also present: Kimberly S. Christensen, Secretary to the Board
Wes Beverlin, District Counsel

RE: PUBLIC COMMENT
The Chairperson announced this was the time for any questions or comments by members of the public. There were no public comments or questions to address the Board on any matters.

RE: ALTERNATE DIRECTOR FROM CITY OF LONG BEACH
A copy of an action taken by the City Council of the City of Long Beach at a meeting held February 21, 2023, was presented to the Secretary stating that Ms. Suely Saro, a member of the City Council of the City of Long Beach, was appointed to serve as alternate Director from the city.

Upon motion of Director Sharif, duly seconded and unanimously carried, the action was accepted and ordered filed.

RE: MINUTES
Upon motion of Director Sharif, duly seconded and unanimously carried, the minutes of the regular meeting held February 8, 2023, were approved.

RE: DISTRICT EXPENSES
The following expenses for the month of December 2022 were presented and upon motion of Director Sharif, duly seconded and unanimously carried, were approved:

Local District Expenses:	
Operations & Maintenance	\$ 37,054.47
Allocated Expenses:	
Joint Outfall	6,708,416.46
Total Expenses	<u>\$6,745,470.93</u>

RE: WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT 216TH STREET RELOCATION TRUNK SEWER REHABILITATION - SAK CONSTRUCTION, LLC - CONTRACT NO. 5424 - ACCEPTANCE OF THE WORK
SAK Construction, LLC, has completed the work in connection with Contract No. 5424 for construction of the 216th Street Relocation Trunk Sewer Rehabilitation (Project) within the time allowed by the contract, and in accordance with its terms. The Project consisted of the rehabilitation of approximately 2,929 feet of 48-inch-diameter corroded reinforced concrete pipe and appurtenant structures. The work was located within the City of Carson. Four change orders totaling \$1,600,728.18 were approved for this Project. A recommendation was made to accept this work.

Upon motion of Director Sharif, duly seconded and unanimously carried, the work in connection with Contract No. 5424, entered into by SAK Construction, LLC, on March 17, 2022, for construction of the 216th Street Relocation Trunk Sewer Rehabilitation, was approved and accepted by this Board of Directors; the Chief Engineer and General Manager was directed to execute and record a Notice of Completion with respect to this work of improvement; and final payment of \$6,631,131.78 was authorized in accordance with the terms of the contract.

RE: FACILITIES PLANNING
SIXTH AMENDMENT TO LICENSE
AGREEMENT - FRIENDS OF WILMINGTON
SPORTS COMPLEX, LLC - AUTHORIZE CHIEF
ENGINEER AND GENERAL MANAGER TO
EXECUTE

A recommendation was made to authorize the Chief Engineer and General Manager to execute *Sixth Amendment to License Agreement* (Amendment) with Friends of Wilmington Sports Complex, LLC, (FWSC) for interim operation of Wilmington Athletic Complex (WAC). The WAC is located adjacent to the Joint Water Pollution Control Plant (JWPCP) on 18 acres of

Districts' property in the Wilmington neighborhood of the City of Los Angeles (City). In the 1960s, the Districts purchased what was then vacant land to act as buffer for the JWPCP and support potential plant expansion. In the late 1970s, the Districts leased the property to a local organization, which constructed athletic fields and ancillary facilities on the premises. In July 2021, the Board authorized the Chief Engineer to terminate the lease and enter into a License Agreement (License) with FWSC to operate the WAC on an interim basis while the Districts negotiates a long-term Lease Agreement (Lease) with the City's Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP). In June 2022, the Board approved a deal term sheet for the Lease and authorized the Chief Engineer to execute the Lease, which is now in final form. The License expires on March 31, 2023, but staff continues to work with the City on final approval of the Lease. To allow additional time for the Lease approval process, it is recommended that the Board authorize the Chief Engineer to execute the linked Amendment, which extends the term of the License by three months, through June 30, 2023. Staff has determined that authorizing the Chief Engineer to execute the Amendment does not constitute a "Project" under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to California Public Resources Code Section 21065 and Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations ("CEQA Guidelines") Section 15378. As fee title holder of the WAC property, District No. 8 must authorize the action requested, and District No. 2, as the administrative District, must approve the authority granted by District No. 8. This item is consistent with the Districts' Guiding Principle of commitment to continual improvement.

The Chief Engineer and General Manager stated that Director McOsker, City of Los Angeles, and his staff have been fully briefed on the matter. Staff is working with City of Los Angeles staff to finalize the long-term Lease Agreement.

Upon motion of Director Sharif, duly seconded and unanimously carried, the Chief Engineer and General Manager, on behalf of the District, was authorized to execute an amendment to the Agreement with Friends of Wilmington Sports Complex, LLC, Contract No. 5422 dated September 3, 2021, as amended February 17, 2022 (Contract No. 5422A), June 29, 2022 (Contract No. 5422B), and August 31, 2022 (Contract No. 5422C), September 14, 2022 (Contract No. 5422D), and December 14, 2022 (Contract No. 5422E), providing for interim operation of Wilmington Athletic Complex, as set forth therein, was approved. All the terms and conditions of the *Sixth Amendment to License Agreement*, Contract No. 5422F, dated March 8, 2023, were accepted and approved, and the Chairperson and Secretary were authorized to execute the Amendment on behalf of the District.

RE: SERVICE CHARGE REPORT RECEIVE
AND ORDER FILED - SET PUBLIC HEARING
FOR MAY 10, 2023, AND GIVE REQUIRED
NOTICE

Prior to meeting in regular session, the Chief Engineer and General Manager stated that all agendas have an item related to the Wastewater Revenue Program. A report titled *County Sanitation District No. 8 Service Charge Report for Fiscal Year 2023-24*, prepared in

accordance with Section 5473 of the Health and Safety Code of the State of California and which establishes the formula for the calculation of a sewage unit that represents the average daily quantity of sewage flow and strength from a single-family home (SFH), was presented. The Chief Engineer and General Manager stated that all Boards will be taking action to order the Wastewater Service Charge Report (Report) filed with the Clerk of the Districts' Board of Directors; setting the date, time, and place for a public hearing on the Report; and order publication of the required public notices. The public hearing is required to collect the service charge on the property tax roll. This is the most efficient way to collect the service charge. The Districts is not setting new rates at this time; the rates were set a few years ago.

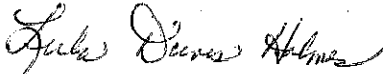
Filing of the Report is required each year to collect the wastewater service charge on the property tax roll. The current service charge rate per single-family home is \$16.92 per month (\$203 per year). The rate for fiscal year 2023-24, as previously adopted by the Board of Directors, is \$17.33 per month (\$208 per year). A letter discussing the service charge rate, the fiscal year 2023-24 preliminary budget, and related matters accompanied the agenda. Staff recommends that the Public Hearing be held at the Board meeting scheduled for May 10, 2023. This item is consistent with the Districts' Guiding Principles of commitment to fiscal responsibility and prudent financial stewardship; and to plan for both short-term and long-term needs to minimize the need for significant rate increases.

A recommendation was made that, in accordance with Section 5473 of the Health and Safety Code, the Board instruct the District Clerk to publish newspaper notices to inform the public of the date, time, and place for a public hearing on the Service Charge Report, and that the public hearing be set for May 10, 2023, at 1:30 p.m. in the District's Board Room at the Joint Administration Office, 1955 Workman Mill Road, Whittier, California, for the purpose of public discussion of the adopted service charge and industrial surcharge rates, and in order to continue to collect these charges on the next property tax roll. After the public hearing is closed, the Board must adopt the Service Charge Report in order to ensure collection of the service charge through property tax billing.


Upon motion of Director Sharif, duly seconded and unanimously carried, the *County Sanitation District No. 8 Service Charge Report for Fiscal Year 2023-24* was ordered filed with the Clerk of the District, and the Board does hereby fix May 10, 2023, at 1:30 p.m. as the date and time, and in the District's Board Room at the Joint Administration Office, 1955 Workman Mill Road, Whittier, California, as the place for a public hearing on *County Sanitation District No. 8 Service Charge Report for Fiscal Year 2023-24*, the proposed service charge and industrial wastewater surcharge rates, and the collection of the service charge on the property tax roll.

The Clerk of this Board shall cause notice of the filing of the Report and the time and place of the public hearing to be published once a week for two successive weeks in *Our Weekly*, a weekly newspaper, and in such other publications as are deemed appropriate by the Chief Engineer and General Manager.

Upon motion of Director Sharif, duly seconded and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.


LULA DAVIS-HOLMES
Chairperson

ATTEST:


KIMBERLY S. CHRISTENSEN
Secretary

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