

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 2  
HELD AT THE OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT

October 11, 2023  
1:30 o'clock, P.M.

The Board of Directors of County Sanitation District No. 2 of Los Angeles County met in regular session.

There were present: Ross Maza, Director from Alhambra  
Ali Sajjad Taj, Alternate Director from Artesia  
Ali Saleh, Alternate Director from Bell  
Marco Barcena, Alternate Director from Bell Gardens  
Sonny Santa Ines, Director from Bellflower  
Bruce Barrows, Director from Cerritos  
Emma Sharif, Director from Compton  
Claudia Frometa, Director from Downey  
Suely Saro, Alternate Director from Long Beach  
Jennifer Perez, Alternate Director from Norwalk  
Isabel Aguayo, Director from Paramount  
Tony Ding, Alternate Director from San Gabriel  
Maria Avalos, Director from South Gate  
Crystal Larios, Director from Vernon  
Janice Hahn, Director from Los Angeles County

Absent: Hugo Argumedo, Director from Commerce  
Paul Krekorian, Director from Los Angeles City  
David Torres, Director from Montebello  
Jose Sanchez, Director from Monterey Park  
Erik Lutz, Director from Pico Rivera  
Joe Vinatieri, Director from Whittier

Also present: Kimberly S. Christensen, Secretary to the Board  
Jessica Lienau, District Counsel

Upon motion of Director Saleh, duly seconded and unanimously carried, Director Aguayo was elected Chairperson pro tem.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Upon motion of Director Saro, duly seconded and unanimously carried, the Consent Agenda was approved as follows:

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 PARAMOUNT A copy of an action taken by the City Council of the City of Paramount at a meeting held July 25, 2023, was presented to the Secretary stating that Ms. Annette Delgadillo, a member of the City Council of the City of Paramount, was appointed to serve as alternate Director from the city, was accepted and ordered filed.

RE: MINUTES The minutes of the regular meeting held September 27, 2023, were approved.

RE: DISTRICT EXPENSES The following expenses for the month of July 2023 were presented and approved:

	District No. 2	Joint Administration	Technical Support	Joint Outfall System	Solid Waste System	Stormwater
Operations & Maintenance	<u>\$12,848</u>	\$4,353,914	\$5,415,447	\$23,756,353	\$ 9,865,281	<u>\$726</u>
Capital Allocated Expenses:		<u>495,408</u>	<u>225,273</u>	19,802,944	1,904,531	
Joint Administration				5,081,209	2,049,405	
Technical Support				<u>4,483,827</u>	<u>232,087</u>	
Total Expenses:	<u>\$12,848</u>	<u>\$4,849,322</u>	<u>\$5,640,720</u>	<u>\$53,124,333</u>	<u>\$14,051,304</u>	<u>\$726</u>

RE: WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT  
DISTRICT 2 INTERCEPTOR TRUNK  
SEWER REHABILITATION - SPINIELLO  
INFRASTRUCTURE WEST, INC.  
CONTRACT NO. 5377  
ACCEPTANCE OF THE WORK

Spiniello Infrastructure West, Inc., has completed the work in connection with Contract No. 5377 for construction of the *District 2 Interceptor Trunk Sewer Rehabilitation* (Project) within the time allowed by the contract, and in accordance with its terms. This Project consisted of the rehabilitation of approximately 6,828 feet of existing 48-inch, 54-inch, and 57-inch-diameter reinforced concrete

pipe and appurtenant structures. The work was located within the cities of Bell Gardens and Commerce. Nine change orders totaling \$1,421,881.33 were approved for this Project. A recommendation was made to accept this work.

The work in connection with Contract No. 5377, entered into by Spiniello Infrastructure West, Inc., on September 7, 2021, for construction of the *District 2 Interceptor 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 \$10,322,213.48 was authorized in accordance with the terms of the contract.

### REGULAR AGENDA

RE: WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT  
DISTRICT 05 TRUNK SEWERS GROUP 1  
REHABILITATION - AWARD CONTRACT  
NO. 5567 TO INSITUFORM TECHNOLOGIES,  
LLC - ORDER SECRETARY TO EXECUTE

The *District 05 Trunk Sewers Group 1 Rehabilitation* (Project) will consist of rehabilitation of approximately 12,303 feet of existing 10-inch to 18-inch-diameter corroded concrete pipe and appurtenant structures that were constructed in the 1950s. The work is located within the Cities of Hawthorne, El Segundo, Gardena,

Torrance, and unincorporated area of Los Angeles County as was shown on the map attached to the agenda. The bid summary/recommendation to award was attached to the agenda. Staff has determined that the Project is exempt or otherwise not subject to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to California Public Resources Code Section 21080(b)(4) and Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations ("CEQA Guidelines") Section 15301. This item is consistent with the Districts' Guiding Principles to protect financial and facility assets through prudent investment and maintenance programs; and commitment to operational excellence (protection of public health and the environment, regulatory compliance, and cost effectiveness). The bids received at the District's office on September 5, 2023, for construction of the Project are as follows:

<u>BIDDER</u>	<u>TOTAL BID</u>
Insituform Technologies, LLC	\$2,457,626.00
Southwest Pipeline and Trenchless Corp.	\$2,510,590.00
Sancon Technologies, Inc.	\$2,714,806.00

The bid of Insituform Technologies, LLC, was the lowest bid received and that Insituform Technologies, LLC, was the lowest, regular, responsible bidder for the work, and a recommendation was made to award a contract to Insituform Technologies, LLC, at the unit prices stated in its bid amounting to approximately \$2,457,626. Furthermore, a recommendation was made to order staff to review the insurance and surety bonds for performance and payment and, if sufficient, order the Secretary to execute the contract with Insituform Technologies, LLC, for construction of the Project.

Upon motion of Director Saro, duly seconded and unanimously carried, Contract No. 5567 for construction of the *District 05 Trunk Sewers Group 1 Rehabilitation* was awarded to the lowest, regular, responsible bidder, to wit: Insituform Technologies, LLC, at the unit prices stated in its bid amounting to approximately \$2,457,626. Furthermore, the Board of Directors of County Sanitation District No. 2 of Los Angeles County ordered the staff to review the insurance and surety bonds for performance and payment and, if sufficient, ordered the Secretary to execute the contract with Insituform Technologies, LLC, for construction of the Project.

RE: WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT  
JOINT OUTFALL F UNIT 7A TRUNK  
SEWER REHABILITATION  
AWARD CONTRACT NO. 5568  
TO SAK CONSTRUCTION, LLC  
ORDER SECRETARY TO EXECUTE

The *Joint Outfall F Unit 7A Trunk Sewer Rehabilitation* (Project) will consist of rehabilitation of approximately 4,806 feet of 27-inch to 60-inch-diameter corroded concrete pipe and appurtenant structures that were constructed in 1950. The work is located in the Cities of Cerritos and Norwalk and in unincorporated Los Angeles County as was shown on the map attached to the agenda. The bid

summary/recommendation to award was attached to the agenda. Staff has determined that the Project is exempt or otherwise not subject to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to California Public Resources Code Sections 21080(b)(4) and Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations (“CEQA Guidelines”) Section 15301. This item is consistent with the Districts’ Guiding Principles to protect financial and facility assets through prudent investment and maintenance programs; and commitment to operational excellence (protection of public health and the environment, regulatory compliance, and cost effectiveness). The bids received at the District’s office on September 12, 2023, for construction of the Project are as follows:

<u>BIDDER</u>	<u>TOTAL BID</u>
SAK Construction, LLC	\$5,179,558.00
Insituform Technologies, LLC	\$5,665,983.00
Spiniello Companies	\$9,794,580.00

The bid of SAK Construction, LLC, was the lowest bid received and that SAK Construction, LLC, was the lowest, regular, responsible bidder for the work, and a recommendation was made to award a contract to SAK Construction, LLC, at the unit prices stated in its bid amounting to approximately \$5,179,558. Furthermore, a recommendation was made to order staff to review the insurance and surety bonds for performance and payment and, if sufficient, order the Secretary to execute the contract with SAK Construction, LLC, for construction of the Project.

Upon motion of Director Saro, duly seconded and unanimously carried, Contract No. 5568 for construction of the *Joint Outfall F Unit 7A Trunk Sewer Rehabilitation* was awarded to the lowest, regular, responsible bidder, to wit: SAK Construction, LLC, at the unit prices stated in its bid amounting to approximately \$5,179,558. Furthermore, the Board of Directors of County Sanitation District No. 2 of Los Angeles County ordered the staff to review the insurance and surety bonds for performance and payment and, if sufficient, ordered the Secretary to execute the contract with SAK Construction, LLC, for construction of the Project.

RE: WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT  
SAN JOSE CREEK WATER RECLAMATION  
PLANT STAGE III PRIMARY  
SEDIMENTATION SYSTEM EXPANSION  
AWARD CONTRACT NO. 5569  
TO STEVE P. RADOS, INC.  
ORDER SECRETARY TO EXECUTE

The *San Jose Creek Water Reclamation Plant (WRP) Stage III Primary Sedimentation System Expansion* (Project) will provide increased wet weather treatment capacity and add redundancy to the influent pumping system at San Jose Creek WRP. The Project will include construction of two primary sedimentation tanks and associated equipment, extension of an existing channel and gallery, and concrete repair and installation of a

protective plastic liner at various channels. The bid summary/recommendation to award was attached to the agenda. To comply with the California Environmental Quality Act, a Mitigated Negative Declaration was previously approved for the Project by the Board on March 8, 2023. This item is consistent with the Districts’ Guiding Principles to protect financial and facility assets through prudent investment and maintenance programs; and commitment to operational excellence (protection of public health and the environment, regulatory compliance, and cost effectiveness). The bids received at the District’s office on August 30, 2023, for construction of the Project are as follows:

BIDDER

TOTAL BID

Steve P. Rados, Inc.	\$21,355,500.00
W.M. Lyles Co.	\$21,463,630.00
Environmental Construction, Inc.	\$25,421,895.00

The bid of Steve P. Rados, Inc., was the lowest bid received and that Steve P. Rados, Inc., was the lowest, regular, responsible bidder for the work, and a recommendation was made to award a contract to Steve P. Rados, Inc., at the unit prices stated in its bid amounting to approximately \$21,355,500. Furthermore, a recommendation was made to order staff to review the insurance and surety bonds for performance and payment and, if sufficient, order the Secretary to execute the contract with Steve P. Rados, Inc., for construction of the Project.

Upon motion of Director Saro, duly seconded and unanimously carried, Contract No. 5569 for construction of the *San Jose Creek Water Reclamation Plant Stage III Primary Sedimentation System Expansion* was awarded to the lowest, regular, responsible bidder, to wit: Steve P. Rados, Inc., at the unit prices stated in its bid amounting to approximately \$21,355,500. Furthermore, the Board of Directors of County Sanitation District No. 2 of Los Angeles County ordered the staff to review the insurance and surety bonds for performance and payment and, if sufficient, ordered the Secretary to execute the contract with Steve P. Rados, Inc., for construction of the Project.

RE: WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT  
 CARBON REGENERATION SERVICES  
 REPORT ON BIDS AND AWARD OF ORDER

On September 5, 2023, one bid was received at the District’s office for *Carbon Regeneration Services*. Activated carbon is used to remove volatile organic and odor causing components from gases in wastewater

collection and treatment facilities. Regeneration is a process that uses heat to remove impurities adsorbed by the activated carbon so that it can be reused. Carbon Supply, Inc., was the sole bidder and staff recommends that a purchase order be issued to Carbon Supply, Inc., in the amount of \$780,100. Although only one bid was received, the price is reasonable and lower than last year’s costs. The bid summary/recommendation to award was attached to the agenda. This item is consistent with the Districts’ Guiding Principle to protect financial and facility assets through prudent investment and maintenance programs. A recommendation was made to authorize the Chief Engineer and General Manager, in his capacity as Purchasing Agent, to award a purchase order to the sole bidder, Carbon Supply, Inc., in the amount of approximately \$780,100.

Upon motion of Director Saro, duly seconded and unanimously carried, the Purchasing Agent was authorized to issue a purchase order to the sole bidder, Carbon Supply, Inc., for *Carbon Regeneration Services*, in the amount of approximately \$780,100 and in accordance with the bids received September 5, 2023.

RE: SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT  
 VACUUM, HYDROJETTING, AND VACTOR  
 TRUCK SERVICES FOR VARIOUS SOLID  
 WASTE FACILITIES - REPORT ON BIDS  
 AND AWARD OF ORDER

On July 27, 2023, two bids were received at the District’s office for *Vacuum, Hydrojetting, and Vactor Truck Services for Various Solid Waste Facilities*. Vacuum, hydrojetting, and vactor truck services are required at Districts’ solid waste facilities to ensure continuous operation of the sewers and condensate collection systems

required for compliance with permit requirements. The bid summary/recommendation to award was attached to the agenda. This item is consistent with the Districts’ Guiding Principle of commitment to operational excellence (protection of public health and the environment, regulatory compliance, and cost effectiveness). A recommendation was made to authorize the Chief Engineer and General Manager, in his capacity as Purchasing Agent, to award a purchase order to the low bidder, National Plant Services, in the amount of approximately \$570,805.

Upon motion of Director Saro, duly seconded and unanimously carried by a roll-call vote, the Purchasing Agent was authorized to issue a purchase order to the low bidder, National Plant Services, for *Vacuum, Hydrojetting, and Vactor Truck Services for Various Solid Waste Facilities*, in the amount of approximately \$570,805 and in accordance with the bids received July 27, 2023.

RE: WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT  
 JOINT WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLANT  
 CONCRETE CRACK REPAIR AT DIGESTER  
 NOS. A1, B1, AND C1 - AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE  
 OF PURCHASE ORDER TO HOWARD RIDLEY  
 COMPANY, INC.

Digester Nos. A1, B1, and C1 have several cracks at the roof interface and along the wet wells’ construction joints. The cracks may lead to the release of digester gas and may result in a violation of the Joint Water Pollution Control Plant (JWPCP) Air Quality Management District discharge permit and create a possible health hazard. Concrete repairs were last performed nine years ago. Staff has determined

that the activities described are not subject to the provisions of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The activities described herein do not constitute a “Project” as that term is defined in California Public Resources Code

Section 21065 and Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations (“CEQA Guidelines”) Section 15378. This item is consistent with the Districts’ Guiding Principles to protect financial and facility assets through prudent investment and maintenance programs; and commitment to operational excellence (protection of public health and the environment, regulatory compliance, and cost effectiveness). A recommendation was made to authorize the Chief Engineer and General Manager, in his capacity as Purchasing Agent, to issue a purchase order to Howard Ridley Company, Inc., in the amount of approximately \$153,185 for concrete crack repair at Digester Nos. A1, B1, and C1 at the JWPCP.

Upon motion of Director Saro, duly seconded and unanimously carried, the Purchasing Agent was authorized to issue a purchase order to Howard Ridley Company, Inc., for concrete crack repair at Digester Nos. A1, B1, and C1 at the Joint Water Pollution Control Plant, at a cost of approximately \$153,185.

RE: SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT  
CALABASAS LANDFILL GAS-TO-ENERGY  
FACILITY - COMPLETE TURBINE OVERHAUL  
AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE OF PURCHASE ORDER  
TO SOLAR TURBINES INCORPORATED

The Calabasas Landfill Gas-to-Energy Facility (Facility) is equipped with two gas turbines that beneficially reuse landfill gas to generate electricity. Combustion Turbine Generator No. 1 is expected to reach the end of its useful life in 2024 and requires a full turbine overhaul. A complete turbine overhaul will restore the mechanical integrity and performance of the entire engine to that of a newly purchased unit. This overhaul will ensure long-term reliability of the unit and extend the life of the Facility. Solar Turbines Incorporated (Solar) is the turbine manufacturer and is the sole source for this type of repair. Staff has determined that the Project is exempt or otherwise not subject to the provisions of California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to California Public Resources Code Section 21084 and Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations (“CEQA Guidelines”) Sections 15301 and 15302. This item is consistent with the Districts’ Guiding Principles to protect financial and facility assets through prudent investment and maintenance programs; and commitment to operational excellence (protection of public health and the environment, regulatory compliance, and cost effectiveness). A recommendation was made to authorize the Chief Engineer and General Manager, in his capacity as Purchasing Agent, to issue a purchase order to Solar in the amount of approximately \$3,229,000 for the Project.

Upon motion of Director Saro, duly seconded and unanimously carried, the Purchasing Agent was authorized to issue a purchase order to Solar Turbines Incorporated for a complete turbine overhaul at the Calabasas Landfill Gas-to-Energy Facility, at a cost of approximately \$3,229,000.

RE: WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT  
ON-CALL CONTROL SYSTEM SUPPORT  
SERVICES - AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE OF  
PURCHASE ORDERS TO ROVISYS WATER/  
WASTEWATER SERVICES; ENTERPRISE  
AUTOMATION, A TETRA TECH COMPANY;  
AND ROI ENGINEERING, LLC

During peak demand periods, engineering services are required to augment Districts’ staff responsible for providing control system software support of various wastewater and solid waste projects. It is more cost and time effective to use an on-call consultant to perform these services rather than to issue separate requests for proposals for each project. Due to the number and variety of upcoming projects, having multiple on-call consultants would ensure that there would be a consultant with the necessary expertise and availability. Proposals were solicited and received from three consulting firms. RoviSys Water/Wastewater Services (RoviSys), Enterprise Automation, A Tetra Tech Company, (Enterprise Automation), and ROI Engineering, LLC, (ROI Engineering) were determined to be qualified to provide the required services and proposed competitive rates. Services will be used on an as-needed basis for potentially all Districts. In accordance with Purchasing Policy, District No. 2 will issue and administer the proposed purchase order and expenditures will be allocated according to actual costs attributable to each District. This item is consistent with the Districts’ Guiding Principle to protect financial and facility assets through prudent investment and maintenance program. A recommendation was made to authorize the Chief Engineer and General Manager, in his capacity as Purchasing Agent, to issue purchase orders to RoviSys, Enterprise Automation, and ROI Engineering, each in the amount of approximately \$1,000,000.

Upon motion of Director Saro, duly seconded and unanimously carried, the Purchasing Agent was authorized to issue purchase orders to RoviSys Water/Wastewater Services; Enterprise Automation, A Tetra Tech Company; and ROI Engineering, LLC, for on-call control system support services for a three-year period, at a cost of approximately \$1,000,000 each.

RE: SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT  
ELECTRIC HEAVY EQUIPMENT - AUTHORIZE  
ISSUANCE OF PURCHASE ORDERS TO  
MOXION POWER CO., VOLVO CONSTRUCTION  
EQUIPMENT AND SERVICES, AND WARRIOR  
MACHINERY, LLC – AUTHORIZE DISPOSAL  
OF DISTRICT-OWNED EQUIPMENT

The purchase of the heavy equipment is required to replace equipment at various Districts' facilities that are no longer cost effective to maintain or do not meet future emission compliance requirements. All the heavy equipment will be plug-in electric producing zero tailpipe emissions. The California Air Resources Board approved ten voucher requests submitted by the Districts under their Clean Off-Road Equipment Voucher Incentive Program (CORE)

totaling \$1,608,363 in grant funding. The CORE vouchers represented 90 percent of the cost for the mobile electric generators and 46 percent of the cost of the electric wheel loaders. Moxion Power Co. (Moxion) is the only manufacturer with a 75-KVA, 600-kWh mobile electric generator currently available. Staff recommends purchase of the electric wheel loaders through the Sourcewell Cooperative Purchase Agreements (Sourcewell). Sourcewell provides nationally leveraged and competitively solicited purchasing contracts. Sourcewell has contracts with Volvo Construction Equipment and LiuGong North America. Volvo Construction Equipment and Services (VCES) is the local Volvo Construction Equipment dealer. Warrior Machinery, LLC, (Warrior) is the local LiuGong North America dealer. Purchasing the equipment through Sourcewell is the most cost-effective means of procurement. This item is consistent with the Districts' Guiding Principles of commitment to provide leadership in our industry through innovation, compliance, and cost effectiveness; and to operational excellence (protection of public health and the environment, regulatory compliance, and cost effectiveness). A recommendation was made to authorize the Chief Engineer and General Manager, in his capacity as Purchasing Agent, to issue purchase orders to Moxion in the amount of approximately \$82,920 for three MP 75-600 mobile electric generators; to VCES in the amount of approximately \$297,185 for four Volvo JL25 electric compact wheel loaders; and to Warrior in the amount of approximately \$513,323 for three LiuGong 856H E-MAX electric wheel loaders, and that the Board find that eight pieces of existing heavy equipment are no longer required for Districts' purposes and authorize disposal.

Upon motion of Director Saro, duly seconded and unanimously carried, the Purchasing Agent was authorized to issue purchase orders to Moxion Power Co. in the amount of approximately \$82,920 for three MP 75-600 mobile electric generators; to Volvo Construction Equipment and Services in the amount of approximately \$297,185 for four Volvo JL25 electric compact wheel loaders; and to Warrior Machinery, LLC, in the amount of approximately \$513,323 for three LiuGong 856HE-MAX electric wheel loaders. Furthermore, the Board found that eight pieces of existing heavy equipment are no longer required for Districts' purposes and the Purchasing Agent was authorized and directed to dispose of the equipment in the manner he determines will best serve the interests of the District.

RE: SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT  
NEW VEHICLES - AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE OF  
PURCHASE ORDER TO ELK GROVE AUTO  
GROUP, DOWNTOWN FORD SALES, TESLA,  
INC., AND NATIONAL AUTO FLEET GROUP  
AUTHORIZE DISPOSAL OF DISTRICT-OWNED  
EQUIPMENT

A total of 49 light-duty vehicles, consisting of sedans, minivans, and pickup trucks, are required at this time for operating and maintaining Districts' facilities. There is also a need to purchase 16 utility bodies for Ford medium-duty trucks that were ordered in 2022 and have recently been delivered. Forty-seven existing vehicles are no longer cost effective to maintain. The majority of the new vehicles will be Electric Vehicles (EV), Plug-In Hybrid (PHEV), or

have hybrid powertrains, making a concerted effort to reduce fuel consumption and emissions at the facilities. Staff recommends to purchase the vehicles using Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Agreements (Sourcewell), State of California contracts, and Los Angeles County contracts, since recent purchases of these types of vehicles through the various contracts have proven to be the most cost effective means of procurement. The State of California has a contract with Downtown Ford Sales to purchase the Ford vehicles and Elk Grove Auto Group for Chrysler vehicles. Los Angeles County, Internal Services Department, has a contract with Tesla, Inc., (Tesla). Sourcewell has a contract with National Auto Fleet Group (NAFG) for the supply of various types of vehicles and upfitting vehicles. The Districts qualifies to receive rebates totaling \$219,000 under the California Clean Vehicle Rebate Project for Public Fleets for the purchase of 24 EVs and 6 PHEVs. In addition, the Districts can receive \$7,500 for each qualifying EV and PHEV in federal tax credits under the Inflation Recovery Act totaling \$225,000. This item is consistent with the Districts' Guiding Principle of commitment to operational excellence (protection of public health and the environment, regulatory compliance, and cost effectiveness). A recommendation was made to authorize the Chief Engineer and General Manager, in his capacity as Purchasing Agent, to issue purchase orders to Elk Grove Auto Group in the amount of approximately \$327,023 for 6 Chrysler Pacifica PHEV Minivans; to Downtown Ford Sales in the amount of approximately \$440,326 for 12 Ford Maverick Hybrid Pickups and 2 Ford F-150 Lightning Pickup EVs; to Tesla in the amount of approximately \$943,514 for 22 Tesla Model 3 RWD EVs; and to NAFG in the amount of approximately \$1,095,679 for 7 Ford Maverick Pickups and for furnishing and installing 16 utility bodies on new Ford medium-duty vehicles, and that the Board find that 47 existing vehicles are no longer required for Districts' purposes and authorize disposal.

In response to Director Hahn, the Chief Engineer and General Manager advised that the Districts will be purchasing 6 mini vans for tours and employee vanpools; 12 Ford Maverick hybrid pickups and 2 Ford F-150 Lightning pickup all-EVs for light duty use for maintenance staff; and 22 Tesla Model 3 Rear Wheel Drive EVs for use as passenger vehicles. Most of the Districts' EV fleet consists of Chevrolet Bolt plug-ins. However, the Chevrolet Bolts are currently not being manufactured. Recently, Tesla pricing has decreased and the vehicles are eligible for state and federal rebates.

In response to Director Saleh, the Chief Engineer and General Manager stated that the Districts qualifies for state and federal rebates amounting to \$15,000.

Upon motion of Director Saro, duly seconded and carried with Director Hahn abstaining, the Purchasing Agent was authorized to issue purchase orders to Elk Grove Auto Group in the amount of approximately \$327,023 for 6 Chrysler Pacifica Plug-In Hybrid Minivans; to Downtown Ford Sales in the amount of approximately \$440,326 for 12 Ford Maverick Hybrid Pickups and 2 Ford F-150 Lightning Pickup Electric Vehicles; to Tesla, Inc., in the amount of approximately \$943,514 for 22 Tesla Model 3 RWD Electric Vehicles; and to National Auto Fleet Group in the amount of approximately \$1,095,679 for 7 Ford Maverick Pickups and for furnishing and installing 16 utility bodies on new Ford Medium-Duty vehicles. Furthermore, the Board found that 47 existing vehicles are no longer required for Districts' purposes and the Purchasing Agent was authorized and directed to dispose of the equipment in the manner he determines will best serve the interests of the District.

RE: WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT  
SAN JOSE CREEK WATER RECLAMATION  
PLANT POWER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM  
MODIFICATIONS - SOUTHERN  
CONTRACTING COMPANY - CONTRACT  
NO. 5064 - APPROVE CHANGE ORDERS  
NOS. 21 AND 22 - EXTRA WORK

As part of the *San Jose Creek Water Reclamation Plant (WRP) Power Distribution System Modifications* (Project), the contractor was required to modify the existing power distribution system at the San Jose Creek WRP. During construction, the contractor was directed to construct two additional electrical duct banks in support of a future electrical project that was planned in the same general vicinity. Separately, during construction, the contractor

encountered numerous delays that were beyond its control and primarily attributed to COVID-19-related labor and vendor supply issues as well as various differing site conditions. These items are consistent with the Districts' Guiding Principles to protect financial and facility assets through prudent investment and maintenance programs; and commitment to operational excellence (protection of public health and the environment, regulatory compliance, and cost effectiveness). The claims have been reviewed and the work determined to be beyond the scope of the plans and specifications. A recommendation was made to approve Change Orders Nos. 21 and 22 to Contract No. 5064 with Southern Contracting Company for construction of the Project; resulting in a total payment of \$542,850.86 for extra work.

Upon motion of Director Saro, duly seconded and unanimously carried, Change Orders Nos. 21 and 22 to Contract No. 5064 with Southern Contracting Company for the construction of the *San Jose Creek Water Reclamation Plant Power Distribution System Modifications*, resulting in a payment of \$542,850.86, was approved.

RE: FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT  
OF PUBLIC WORKS - WOOLSEY FIRE DEBRIS  
REMOVAL EXPENSES AT CALABASAS  
LANDFILL - AUTHORIZE PAYMENT

The Calabasas Landfill (CALF) is owned by the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works (County) and operated by the Districts under a Joint Powers Agreement. After the 2018 Woolsey Fire, which destroyed structures and other infrastructure on the landfill site, the Districts issued a Right-of-Entry Permit

to the County allowing for debris removal activities on the property. The County is now requesting reimbursement for the debris removal as provided for in the entry permit. This item is consistent with the Districts' Guiding Principle of commitment to fiscal responsibility and prudent financial stewardship. A recommendation was made to authorize payment to the County in the amount of \$142,553.54 for the Woolsey Fire debris removal expenses at CALF.

Upon motion of Director Saro, duly seconded and unanimously carried, payment of \$142,553.54 to the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works was authorized for the Woolsey Fire debris removal expenses at the Calabasas Landfill.

RE: HUMAN RESOURCES - LEE TRUONG  
CLAIM - EXECUTE COMPROMISE AND  
RELEASE PENDING WORKERS'  
COMPENSATION APPEALS BOARD  
PROCEEDINGS - AUTHORIZE SETTLEMENT

During employment with the Districts, Lee Truong sustained work-related injuries to the cervical spine, shoulders, and lumbar spine. Lee Truong's attorney and District Counsel have agreed on a proposed settlement in the form of Compromise and Release in the amount of \$150,000. Approximately \$106,000 is required for

future medical care. The remaining \$44,000 represents the settlement amount for the retroactive temporary total disability owed. District Counsel believes the settlement is cost-effective and recommends that the proposed settlement be approved. A recommendation was made to approve a settlement with former District employee Lee Truong and authorize District Counsel to execute a Compromise and Release in connection with the pending Workers' Compensation Appeals Board proceedings.

Upon motion of Director Saro, duly seconded and unanimously carried, payment of \$150,000 to Lee Truong was authorized in full settlement of his claim for work-related injuries to the cervical spine, shoulders, and lumbar spine. Furthermore, District Counsel was authorized to execute a Compromise and Release in the amount of \$15,000 in connection with the pending Workers' Compensation Appeals Board proceedings.

RE: HUMAN RESOURCES - CARI  
MCCORMICK - CLAIM FOR UNSPECIFIED  
DAMAGES RELATED TO ALLEGED AGE  
DISCRIMINATION IN CALIFORNIA PUBLIC  
EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM  
DISABILITY RETIREMENT DETERMINATIONS  
REJECT

In recent weeks, a large number of California public agencies have received correspondence from attorneys representing Ms. Cari McCormick in connection with claims made by Ms. McCormick against the California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS). In total, approximately 1,540 agencies throughout California are being served with this claim. A claim has been filed with the District by Cari McCormick for unspecified

damages related to alleged age discrimination in the CalPERS disability retirement reterminations. District Counsel has reviewed the claim and recommends rejection.

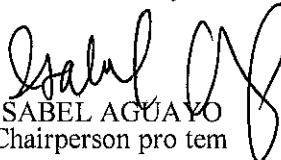
District Counsel advised that it would be in the interest of the District to meet in closed session pursuant to Section 54956.9(a) of the California Government Code Conference with Legal Counsel, Pending Litigation: Cari McCormick v. CalPERS, et al., State of California, Civil Rights Department, CRD No. 202306-20925508.

The Chairperson pro tem took the Board of Directors of County Sanitation District No. 2 of Los Angeles County into closed session at 1:56 p.m. pursuant to Section 54956.9(a) of the California Government Code Conference with Legal Counsel, Pending Litigation: Cari McCormick v. CalPERS, et al., State of California, Civil Rights Department, CRD No. 202306-20925508 to confer on the matter referred by District Counsel.


Upon motion of Director Taj, duly seconded and unanimously carried, the meeting reconvened in regular session at 1:58 p.m. District Counsel advised that no action was taken of a nature that requires disclosure pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.1.

Upon motion of Director Taj, duly seconded and unanimously carried, the claim filed by Cari McCormick, for unspecified damages related to alleged age discrimination in the California Public Employees' Retirement System disability retirement determinations, was rejected.

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

  
ISABEL AGUAYO  
Chairperson pro tem

ATTEST:

  
KIMBERLY S. CHRISTENSEN  
Secretary

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