

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 3  
HELD AT THE OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT  
VIA TELECONFERENCE

May 12, 2021  
1:30 o'clock, P.M.

The Board of Directors of County Sanitation District No. 3 of Los Angeles County met in regular session via teleconference.

There were present: Grace Hu, Director from Cerritos  
Jeff Wood, Director from Lakewood  
Robert Garcia, Director from Long Beach  
Joe Buscaino, Alternate Director from Los Angeles City  
Edward Wilson, Director from Signal Hill  
Hilda Solis, Director from Los Angeles County  
Sonny Santa Ines, Chairperson Alternate Director from Bellflower

Absent: None

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: DIRECTOR FROM  
CITY OF CERRITOS

A certificate from the City Clerk of the City of Cerritos was presented to the Secretary stating that at a meeting of the City Council held April 21, 2021, Ms. Grace Hu was elected Mayor of the City of Cerritos, which is the designation of the presiding officer of the governing body of that city and automatically places Ms. Hu on this Board.

Upon motion of Director Wood, duly seconded and unanimously carried by a roll-call vote, the certificate was accepted and ordered filed.

RE: DIRECTOR FROM  
CITY OF LAKEWOOD

A certificate from the City Clerk of the City of Lakewood was presented to the Secretary stating that at a meeting of the City Council held April 29, 2021, Mr. Jeff Wood was elected Mayor of the City of Lakewood, which is the designation of the presiding officer of the governing body of that city and automatically places Mr. Wood on this Board.

Upon motion of Director Wood, duly seconded and unanimously carried by a roll-call vote, the certificate was accepted and ordered filed.

RE: ALTERNATE DIRECTOR  
FROM CITY OF LAKEWOOD

A copy of an action taken by the City Council of the City of Lakewood at a meeting held April 29, 2021 was presented to the Secretary stating that Mr. Steve Croft, a member of the City Council of the City of Lakewood, was appointed to serve as alternate Director from the city.

Upon motion of Director Wood, duly seconded and unanimously carried by a roll-call vote, the action was accepted and ordered filed.

RE: MINUTES

Upon motion of Director Wood, duly seconded and unanimously carried by a roll-call vote, the minutes of the regular meeting held April 14, 2021, were approved.

RE: DISTRICT EXPENSES

The following expenses for the month of February 2020 were presented and upon motion of Director Wood, duly seconded and unanimously carried by a roll-call vote, were approved:

Local District Expenses:	
Operations & Maintenance (O & M)	\$ 94,175.23
Capital	12,509.28
Allocated Expenses:	
Joint Administration	321,588.30
Technical Support	372,586.39
Joint Outfall	1,580,850.79
Total Expenses	<u>\$2,381,709.99</u>

RE: FACILITIES PLANNING  
SEWER RELOCATION AGREEMENT  
CITY OF LONG BEACH - CONTRACT  
NO. 5363 - APPROVE

In order to accommodate construction of its Colorado Lagoon Restoration Project, the City of Long Beach (City) has requested the District's permission to relocate approximately 545 feet of the Marina Relief Trunk Sewer Section 1B (Sewer). The proposed *Sewer Relocation*

*Agreement* (Agreement) requires the City to prepare the necessary environmental documents and relocate the affected portion of the Sewer in accordance with the District's specifications at no cost to the District. In addition, the City must grant any easements to the District for access to and maintenance of the relocated Sewer at no cost. The District will inspect construction of the relocated Sewer at no cost to the City. Staff has determined that approval of the Agreement is not a "Project" under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to the 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 of commitment to protect financial and facility assets through prudent investment and maintenance programs; and to provide reliable and responsible services with safety first. A recommendation was made to approve and order executed an Agreement with the City for relocation of a portion of the Sewer.

Upon motion of Director Wood, duly seconded and unanimously carried by a roll-call vote, the Board of Directors of County Sanitation District No. 3 of Los Angeles County found and determined that it would be to the advantage of the District to enter into a *Sewer Relocation Agreement* with the City of Long Beach (City) providing for the City to prepare the necessary environmental documents and relocate the affected portion of the Sewer in accordance with the District's specifications at no cost to the District. In addition, the City must grant any easements to the District for access to and maintenance of the relocated Sewer at no cost. The District will inspect construction of the relocated Sewer at no cost to the City, as set forth in the Agreement and under terms and conditions contained therein. All the terms and conditions of the *Sewer Relocation Agreement*, Contract No. 5363, dated May 12, 2021, were accepted and approved, and the Chairperson and Secretary were authorized to execute the Agreement on behalf of the District.

RE: SERVICE CHARGE PROGRAM  
HOLD PUBLIC HEARING ON  
SERVICE CHARGE REPORT AND  
COLLECTION ON TAX ROLL

Holding a public hearing and then adopting the Service Charge Report is required each year in order to collect the wastewater service charge on the property tax roll. No rate increases are recommended for fiscal year 2021-22. A letter discussing this matter, together with a copy

of the Service Charge Report, preliminary budget, and a budget explanation and glossary, accompanied the agenda. 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.

The service charge rate for fiscal year 2021-22 is \$175 per sewage unit.

In accordance with Section 5473.1 of the Health and Safety Code of the State of California, the *County Sanitation District No. 3 Service Charge Report for Fiscal Year 2021-22* was filed on March 10, 2021, and publication of two newspaper notices for today's public hearing were published in the *Press Telegram*, a daily newspaper.

The Chairperson opened a public hearing on the Service Charge Report for County Sanitation District No. 3 of Los Angeles County. In response to the Chairperson's question, the Chief Engineer and General Manager reported that the District has received no correspondence or telephone calls on the Service Charge Report.

The Chairperson announced this was the time for any presentations by members of the public. There being none, the Chairperson closed the public hearing.

RE: SERVICE CHARGE PROGRAM  
ADOPT SERVICE CHARGE REPORT

Following a public hearing, upon motion of Director Wood, duly seconded and unanimously carried by a roll-call vote, the Board of Directors of County Sanitation

District No. 3 of Los Angeles County approved and adopted the *County Sanitation District No. 3 Service Charge Report for Fiscal Year 2021-22*, filed with the Board on March 10, 2021.

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

SONNY SANTA INES  
Chairperson

ATTEST:

KIMBERLY S. CHRISTENSEN  
Secretary

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