

MINUTES OF THE ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
NEWHALL RANCH SANITATION DISTRICT
OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY
HELD IN THE HEARING ROOM OF THE BOARD OF
SUPERVISORS, KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

May 17, 2022
9:30 o'clock, A.M.

The Board of Directors of Newhall Ranch Sanitation District of Los Angeles County met pursuant to adjournment as ordered by this Board of Directors at the Adjourned Regular Meeting on March 15, 2022. A copy of the Order of Adjournment was posted as required by law and that proper affidavits of the posting are on file in the Secretary's office.

There were present: Kathryn Barger, Director from Los Angeles County
Janice Hahn, Director from Los Angeles County
Sheila Kuehl, Director from Los Angeles County
Hilda Solis, Director from Los Angeles County
Holly Mitchell, Chairperson, Director from Los Angeles County

Absent: None

Also present: Kimberly S. Christensen, Secretary to the Board
Wes Beverlin, District Counsel

RE: RESOLUTION FOR CONTINUING TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND EMPLOYEES WHILE GUARANTEEING THE PUBLIC'S RIGHT TO ATTEND AND PARTICIPATE IN MEETINGS OF LOCAL LEGISLATIVE BODIES AND MAKING NECESSARY FINDINGS FOR CONTINUED TELECONFERENCED MEETINGS - ADOPT

A proposed *Resolution for Continuing to Ensure the Safety of Members of the Public and Employees while Guaranteeing the Public's Right to Attend and Participate in Meetings of Local Legislative Bodies and Making Necessary Findings for Continued Teleconferenced Meetings*, was presented. Acting on behalf of the Governing body of the County, and on behalf of entities for which the Board members serve as governing members (Governing Members), and for

commissions, task forces, etc., which were, or created either by the Board or Governing members or at their direction, and are subject to the Brown Act: find in accordance with Assembly Bill (AB) 361 Section 3(e)(3), California Government Code Section 54953(e)(3) that the board has reconsidered the circumstances of the State of Emergency due to the COVID-19 pandemic and that the State of Emergency remains active and that local officials continue to recommend measures to promote social distancing; and instruct the Executive Officer of the Board to place on the meeting agendas for the Board and the agendas for those entities for which the Board members sit as the Governing Members, not more than 30 calendar days after these findings are adopted, an agenda item entitled "Findings to Continue Teleconference Meetings under AB361 and Related Actions," and include these same findings for adoption, and continue to do so not more than 30 calendar days after each time these findings are adopted until instructed to cease doing so.

Upon motion of Director Barger, duly seconded and unanimously carried by a roll-call vote, the following Resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION FOR CONTINUING TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF MEMBERS
OF THE PUBLIC AND EMPLOYEES WHILE GUARANTEEING
THE PUBLIC'S RIGHT TO ATTEND AND PARTICIPATE IN MEETINGS OF LOCAL
LEGISLATIVE BODIES AND MAKING NECESSARY FINDINGS
FOR CONTINUED TELECONFERENCED MEETINGS

As stated at the Board of Supervisors' September 28, 2021 meeting, we must ensure that the public's right to attend and participate in local legislative body meetings is exercised under conditions that ensure attendees' and employees' safety. Our Legislature passed AB 361 to enhance public access to local legislative body meetings during the COVID-19 pandemic and future applicable emergencies.

Under AB 361, to continue to meet via teleconferencing, the local legislative body must adopt, by a majority vote, specific findings within 30 days of the first use of the teleconferencing meeting rules after October 1, 2021, and within every 30 days thereafter.

It is imperative that we take the necessary actions to ensure the public's right to attend and participate in local legislative body meetings is not put at risk and to safeguard the safety of members of the public and employees of local legislative bodies, in alignment with our Health Officer's recommendations to reduce crowding indoors and to support physical distancing.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors (Board), acting on its behalf, and on behalf of entities for which the Board members serve as governing members (Governing Members), and for commissions, task forces, etc., which were or are created either by the Board or Governing Members or at their direction and are subject to the Brown Act: 1. Find, in accordance with AB 361 Section 3(e)(3), California Government Code section 54953(e)(3), that the Board has reconsidered the circumstances of the State of Emergency due to the COVID-19 pandemic and that the State of Emergency remains active; 2. Find, in accordance with AB 361 Section 3(e)(3), California Government Code section 54953(e)(3), that local officials continue to recommend measures to promote social distancing; and 3. Instruct the Executive Office to place on the meeting agendas for the Board and the agendas for those entities for which the Board members sit as the Governing Members not more than 30 calendar days after these findings are adopted an agenda item entitled "Findings to Continue Teleconference Meetings under AB 361 and Related Actions," and include these same findings for adoption; and instruct the Executive Office to continue to do so not more than 30 calendar days after each time these findings are adopted until instructed to cease doing so.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of Newhall Ranch Sanitation District of Los Angeles County this 17th day of May 2022 by the following vote:

AYES: Five (5)

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

RE: SERVICE CHARGE PROGRAM
HOLD PUBLIC HEARING ON
SERVICE CHARGE REPORT

An announcement was made that today the Board would hold a public hearing for Adoption of the Service Charge Report as required each year to collect the wastewater service charge on the property tax roll. In this District,

the current service charge rate per single-family home (SFH) is \$56.36 per month (\$676.30 per year). The rate for fiscal year 2022-23, as previously adopted by the Board of Directors, is \$58.05 per month (\$696.60 per year). Owners of multiple dwelling units and commercial properties are charged in proportion to their use compared to an SFH. The Service Charge Report was attached to the agenda.

Upon motion of Director Barger, duly seconded and unanimously carried by a roll-call vote, the Chairperson opened a public hearing scheduled at this time and place on the Service Charge Report for Newhall Ranch Sanitation District of Los Angeles County.

In accordance with Section 5473 of the Health and Safety Code of the State of California, the *Newhall Ranch Sanitation District of Los Angeles County Service Charge Report for Fiscal Year 2022-23*, was filed on March 15, 2022, and publication of two newspaper notices for today's public hearing were published in *The Signal Newspaper (Santa Clarita)*, a weekly newspaper. The Service Charge Report addresses the continued collection of the service charge for the District on the tax roll. These charges are needed to supplement the District's existing revenue sources for the forthcoming fiscal year, as discussed in the letter to the Boards, dated February 4, 2022.

The Chairperson announced this was the time for any questions or comments by members of the public. The following individual addressed the Board.

Ms. Julia S. Novis, resident, submitted written comments to the Board in opposition to the Service Charge Report. Written notes were submitted and are on file at the Board of Supervisors' Office.

There being no further comments, the Chairperson closed the public hearing.

RE: SERVICE CHARGE PROGRAM
ADOPT SERVICE CHARGE REPORT

Ranch Sanitation District of Los Angeles County approved and adopted the *Newhall Ranch Sanitation District Service Charge Report for Fiscal Year 2022-23*, which was filed with the Clerk of the Board on March 15, 2022.

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

The meeting was adjourned by the Chairperson.

HOLLY MITCHELL
Chairperson

ATTEST:

KIMBERLY S. CHRISTENSEN
Secretary

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