

MINUTES OF THE 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

September 13, 2022
 9:30 o'clock, A.M.

The Board of Directors of Newhall Ranch Sanitation District of Los Angeles County met in regular session.

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: PUBLIC COMMENTS
 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: MINUTES
 Upon motion of Director Mitchell, duly seconded and unanimously carried by a roll-call vote, the minutes of the adjourned regular meeting held June 28, 2022, were approved.

RE: DISTRICT EXPENSES
 The following expenses for the months of April, May and June 2022, were presented and upon motion of Director Mitchell, duly seconded and unanimously carried by a roll-call vote, were approved:

Local District Expenses:		
Operations & Maintenance (O & M)		\$311,866.84
Capital		24,282.65
Allocated Expenses:		
Joint Administration		1,694.41
Technical Support		877.55
Total Expenses		<u>\$338,721.45</u>

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 Mitchell, 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 13th day of September 2022 by the following vote:

AYES: Five (5)

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

The meeting was adjourned by the Chairperson.

HOLLY MITCHELL
Chairperson

ATTEST:

KIMBERLY S. CHRISTENSEN
Secretary

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