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

November 9, 2022 1:30 o'clock, P.M.

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

There were present: Jeffrey Maloney, Director from Alhambra Ali Sajjad Taj, Alternate Director from Artesia

Ali Saleh, Alternate Director from Bell Raymond Dunton, Director from Bellflower Bruce Barrows, Alternate Director from Cerritos Ivan Altamirano, Alternate Director from Commerce

Emma Sharif, Director from Compton Robert Garcia, Director from Long Beach

Joe Buscaino, Alternate Director from Los Angeles City

Henry Lo, Director from Monterey Park Rick Ramirez, Director from Norwalk Monica Sanchez, Director from Pico Rivera Tony Ding, Director from San Gabriel

Maria Davila, Alternate Director from South Gate

Leticia Lopez, Director from Vernon

Holly Mitchell, Director from Los Angeles County

Cathy Warner, Chairperson, Alternate Director from Whittier

Absent: Maria Pulido, Director from Bell Gardens

Blanca Pacheco, Director from Downey

Kimberly Ann Cobos-Cawthorne, Director from Montebello

Vilma Cuellar Stallings, Director from Paramount

Also present: Kimberly S. Christensen, Secretary to the Board

Wes Beverlin, District Counsel

CONSENT AGENDA

Upon motion of Director Garcia, duly seconded and unanimously carried by a roll-call vote, 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: MINUTES The minutes of the regular meeting held October 26,

2022, were approved.

RE: DISTRICT EXPENSES The following expenses for the month of August 2022 were

presented and approved:

Local District Expenses:

Operations & Maintenance \$ 10,709.69

Capital 581.25

Allocated Expenses:

Technical Support (48.23)

Joint Outfall (118,428.85)

Joint Outfall System Expenses:

Allocated Expense 6,738,394.78

Solid Waste System Expenses:
Operations & Maintenance
Allocated Expenses
Capital
Stormwater Expenses:
Operations & Maintenance
Total Expenses

12,366,879,06 1,493,410.13 2,273,206.58

7,288.68 \$22,771,993.09

REGULAR AGENDA

RE: SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT REPLACE PROTECTIVE MEMBRANE AT CALABASAS LANDFILL - REPORT ON BIDS AND AWARD OF ORDER On September 21, 2022, two bids were received at the District's office to *Replace Protective Membrane at Calabasas Landfill*. A protective membrane protects the composite liner system installed on cut slopes of a landfill from ultraviolet light damage. The membrane at

the landfill has degraded and requires replacement. The contractor will replace approximately 400,000 square feet of protective membrane. The bid summary/recommendation to award was attached. 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, EC Applications, Inc., at the unit prices stated in its bid amounting to approximately \$520,800.

Upon motion of Director Garcia, duly seconded and unanimously carried by a roll-call vote, the Purchasing Agent was authorized to issue a purchase order to the low bidder, EC Applications, Inc., to *Replace Protective Membrane at Calabasas Landfill*, at a total cost of approximately \$520,800 and in accordance with the bids received September 21, 2022.

RE: TECHNICAL SERVICES FURNISH AND DELIVER A SOLID PHASE EXTRACTION UNIT FOR SAN JOSE CREEK WATER QUALITY LABORATORY - REPORT ON BIDS AND AWARD OF ORDER On August 4, 2022, two bids were received at the District's office to Furnish and Deliver a Solid Phase Extraction Unit for the San Jose Creek Water Quality Laboratory. The proposed equipment will replace a 12-year-old system that has reached the end of its service life, is no longer supported by the manufacturer, and for which most replacement parts are no longer available.

The system is currently used to fulfill regulatory requirements for the preparation of semi-volatile organic compounds in sample extracts of wastewater, stormwater, groundwater, and biosolids. 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, Biotage, at the unit prices stated in its bid amounting to approximately \$175,653.51.

Upon motion of Director Garcia, duly seconded and unanimously carried by a roll-call vote, the Purchasing Agent was authorized to issue a purchase order to the low bidder, Biotage, to *Furnish and Deliver a Solid Phase Extraction Unit for the San Jose Creek Water Quality Laboratory*, at the unit prices stated in its bid amounting to approximately \$175,653.51 and in accordance with the bids received August 4, 2022.

RE: WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT REPLACEMENT OF BIOSOLIDS STORAGE SILOS BUILDING WEST WALL AT JOINT WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLANT - AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE OF PURCHASE ORDER TO HORIZONS CONSTRUCTION CO. INT'L, INC. The Joint Water Pollution Control Plant (JWPCP) produces up to 1,300 wet tons of biosolids per day. Biosolids are stored in the Biosolids Storage Silos (Silos) until they are loaded onto trucks for hauling to reuse sites. The Silos are approximately 49 years old and the metal exterior siding on the west end of the building, which houses the Silos, is in poor condition due to long term exposure to biosolids. Therefore, staff recommends that the siding be

replaced. The project will be completed utilizing the Job Order Contracting Program which relies on preestablished, competitively bid construction tasks that will accelerate project delivery and reduce administration and design costs. Staff has determined that the activities described herein are exempt or otherwise not subject to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to California Public Resources Code Section 21084 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). A recommendation was made to authorize the Chief Engineer and General Manager, in his capacity as Purchasing Agent, to issue a purchase order to Horizon Construction Co. Int'l, Inc., in the amount of approximately \$149,155 for the replacement of biosolids storage silos building west wall at the JWPCP.

Upon motion of Director Garcia, duly seconded and unanimously carried by a roll-call vote, the Purchasing Agent was authorized to issue a purchase order to Horizon Construction Co. Int'l, Inc., for the replacement of biosolids storage silos building west wall at the Joint Water Pollution Control Plant, at a cost of approximately \$149,155.

RE: WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT COMPTON FIELD OFFICE - AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE OF PURCHASE ORDER TO HAAKER EQUIPMENT COMPANY ONE CLOSED CIRCUIT TELEVISION INSPECTION TRUCK WITH ENVIROSIGHT HIGH DEFINITION INSPECTION SYSTEM AUTHORIZE DISPOSAL OF DISTRICT-OWNED VEHICLE

The purchase of one replacement Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) inspection truck is required for routine and emergency inspection of sewers. One of the existing CCTV inspections trucks, which is 17 years old, has outdated technology and it is no longer cost-effective to maintain. To improve the Districts' sewerage maintenance program, it is recommended to implement a new High Definition (HD) CCTV inspection technology. Envirosight is a leading manufacturer of HD CCTV inspection technology for larger diameter sewers and is

the only HD CCTV equipment provider with local technical and maintenance support in the Southern California region. Haaker can provide the truck and is the local distributor for the Envirosight equipment. Staff recommends to purchase the new CCTV truck through the Sourcewell Cooperative Purchase Agreements (Sourcewell). Sourcewell provides nationally leveraged and competitively solicited purchasing contracts. Based upon the most recent Districts' purchase of similar equipment, purchasing the truck through Sourcewell would be the most cost-effective and timely approach to procurement. The existing CCTV truck will be disposed in a manner and at a time determined to best serve the interests of the Districts. 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 Haaker Equipment Company, in the amount of \$405,036, for one CCTV inspection truck with Envirosight HD inspection system, and that the Board find that an existing CCTV truck is no longer required for Districts' purposes and authorize disposal.

Upon motion of Director Garcia, duly seconded and unanimously carried by a roll-call vote, the Purchasing Agent was authorized to issue a purchase order to Haaker Equipment Company, for one CCTV inspection truck with Envirosight HD Inspection System, at a cost of approximately \$405,036. Furthermore, the Board found that one CCTV truck is no longer required for Districts' purposes and the Purchasing Agent was authorized and directed to dispose of the CCTV truck in the manner he determines will best serve the interests of the District.

RE: SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT - NEW VEHICLES - AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE OF PURCHASE ORDERS TO DOWNTOWN FORD SALES AND WATSONVILLE FLEET GROUP AUTHORIZE DISPOSAL OF DISTRICT-OWNED VEHICLES

These medium-duty vehicles are required for operating and maintaining Districts' facilities. Thirty-three existing vehicles are no longer cost-effective to maintain. The majority of the new vehicles will be modified to operate on renewable natural gas, making a concerted effort to reduce fuel consumption and emissions at the facilities. Staff recommends the purchase of the vehicles through

State of California contracts since recent purchases of these types of vehicles have proven the state contracts to be the most cost-effective means of procurement. Downtown Ford Sales and Watsonville Fleet Group have state contracts for Ford medium-duty vehicles. The cost estimate is based on 2022 model year vehicle pricing with a 15 percent anticipated increase. Actual state contract pricing for 2023 model year vehicles will not be released until later in November. Due to anticipated high demand for medium-duty vehicles and limited production because of supply chain constraints, it is expected that the ordering window for these vehicles will be closed before the end of November. These purchases will be for truck chassis only. Bids will be solicited for the required upfits including utility bodies, natural gas fuel systems, and ancillary equipment. 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 Downtown Ford Sales, in the amount of \$1,052,500, for 20 Ford medium-duty vehicles; and Watsonville Fleet Group, in

the amount of \$772,500, for 16 Ford medium-duty vehicles, and that the Board find that 33 vehicles are no longer required for Districts purposes and authorize disposal.

Upon motion of Director Garcia, duly seconded and unanimously carried by a roll-call vote, the Purchasing Agent was authorized to issue purchase orders to Downtown Ford Sales, for 20 Ford medium-duty vehicles, in the amount of approximately \$1,052,500; and Watsonville Fleet Group, for 16 Ford medium-duty vehicles, in the amount of approximately \$772,500. Furthermore, the Board found that 33 vehicles are no longer required for Districts' purposes and the Purchasing Agent was authorized and directed to dispose of the vehicles in the manner he determines will best serve the interests of the District.

RE: TECHNICAL SERVICES - STORMWATER SERVICES AGREEMENT - CITY OF REDONDO BEACH - CONTRACT NO. 5479 - APPROVE Senate Bill 485 authorizes the District to provide stormwater services. The City of Redondo Beach has requested the District's assistance to evaluate sanitary sewer diversion projects for the City's Supplemental

Environmental Project, the Redondo Beach Sanitary Sewer Diversion Alternative Analysis, Preliminary Engineering Design & Permitting Project. Under the proposed *Stormwater Services Agreement*, the District would provide the City of Redondo Beach with as-needed support to identify one or more locations for a new or enhanced diversion to the sanitary sewer system. All work performed by the Districts under the Agreement will be reimbursed by the City of Redondo Beach. This item is consistent with the Districts' Guiding Principle to maximize use of our assets and resources (recycled water, recyclables, and energy). A recommendation was made to approve and order executed a *Stormwater Services Agreement*.

Upon motion of Director Garcia, duly seconded and unanimously carried by a roll-call vote, the Board of Directors of County Sanitation District No. 2 of Los Angeles County found and determined that it would be to the advantage of the District to enter into a *Stormwater Services Agreement* with the City of Redondo Beach providing for on-call services related to stormwater projects, as set forth in the Agreement and under terms and conditions contained therein. All the terms and conditions of the *Stormwater Services Agreement*, Contract No. 5479, dated November 9, 2022, were accepted and approved, and the Chairperson and Secretary were authorized to execute the Agreement on behalf of the District.

RE: TECHNICAL SERVICES
TULARE LAKE COMPOST FACILITY
STATE WATER SERVICE CONTRACT
AGRICULTURAL WATER SERVICE
TULARE LAKE BASIN WATER STORAGE
DISTRICT - CONTRACT NO. 5477 - APPROVE
DELEGATE AUTHORITY TO CHIEF
ENGINEER AND GENERAL MANAGER
TO EXECUTE THIS AND FUTURE STATE
WATER SERVICE CONTRACTS

The Tulare Lake Compost (TLC) facility and agricultural land properties have an allocation of approximately 8,800 acre-feet per year of water from the California State Water Project, and delivery of this water is administered by the Tulare Lake Basin Water Storage District (TLBWSD). The current five-year contract with the TLBWSD to maintain this allocation expires December 31, 2022. The water allocated to the District will be used to support farming operations at TLC. Staff recommends that the District enter into a new five-year contract in order to retain this valuable water right.

Further, it is recommended that authority to execute this and future state water service contracts with TLBWSD be delegated to the Chief Engineer and General Manager. Staff has determined that the Project is exempt or otherwise not subject to the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations (CEQA Guidelines) Section 15301. This item is consistent with the Districts' Guiding Principle to plan for both short-term and long-term needs to minimize the need for significant rate increases. A recommendation was made to approve and order executed a *State Water Service Contract for Agricultural Water Service* (Agreement); and authorize the Chief Engineer and General Manager to execute this and future state water service contracts.

Upon motion of Director Garcia, duly seconded and unanimously carried by a roll-call vote, the Board of Directors of County Sanitation District No. 2 of Los Angeles County found and determined that it would be to the advantage of the District to enter into a *State Water Service Contract* with Tulare Lake Basin Water Storage District providing for agricultural water service, as set forth in the Agreement and under terms and conditions contained therein. All the terms and conditions of the *State Water Service Contract for Agricultural Water Services*, Contract No. 5477, dated November 9, 2022, were accepted and approved, and the Chief Engineer and General Manager and Secretary were authorized to execute the Agreement on behalf of the District. Furthermore, the Chief Engineer and General Manager was authorized to execute this and future state water service contracts.

RE: FACILITIES PLANNING - JOINT WATER POLLUTION CONTROL PLANT - FIRST AMENDMENT TO LEASE AGREEMENT APPROVE ACTION BY DISTRICT NO. 8

In 2020, the Districts leased a 10-acre vacant property adjacent to the Joint Water Pollution Control Plant (JWPCP) to the City of Carson (City) for the expansion of the Carriage Crest Park. The lease agreement provides the City a due diligence period to conduct site

investigations to confirm the suitability of the property for park use. The due diligence period expires on December 15, 2022, and the City desires to extend it by two years to allow additional time to complete site investigations and secure funding for the proposed park improvements. The proposed *First Amendment to Lease Agreement* (Amendment) extends the due diligence period through December 15, 2024. Staff has determined that approval of 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 property, District No. 8 must approve the Amendment, and District No. 2, as the administrative District, must approve the action by District No. 8. This item is consistent with the Districts' Guiding Principle to maximize use of our assets and resources (recycled water, recyclables, and energy). A recommendation was made to approve the action by District No. 8 to approve and order executed the *First Amendment to Lease Agreement* with the City of Carson for Districts' property adjacent to the Joint Water Pollution Control Plant.

Upon motion of Director Garcia, duly seconded and unanimously carried by a roll-call vote, the Board of Directors of County Sanitation District No. 2 of Los Angeles County approved and consented to the action taken by District No. 8 to approve and order executed a *First Amendment to Lease Agreement* with the City of Carson for Districts' Property adjacent to the Joint Water Pollution Control Plant.

RE: FACILITIES PLANNING INTRODUCE AN ORDINANCE PRESCRIBING FEES FOR THE ANNEXATION OF TERRITORY A proposed An Ordinance Prescribing Fees for the Annexation of Territory to County Sanitation District No. 2 of Los Angeles County (Ordinance) was presented to the Board for consideration and introduction. Properties outside the jurisdictional boundary of the

District must be annexed to the District before sewerage service can be provided. The cost of processing the annexation application is borne by the applicant pursuant to the District's existing Master Annexation Fee Ordinance and Annexation Fee Rate Ordinance (Existing Ordinances), which were both adopted in 2007. The current method of calculating the fee is a tiered acreage-based approach. However, this method results in inequities in certain circumstances. Furthermore, the cost to process an annexation application does not vary significantly between a large or small property. The proposed ordinance, which was attached to the agenda, supersedes the Existing Ordinances and establishes a flat fee of \$2,000 per annexation application, which is more equitable and representative of the actual cost to process each annexation. In October 2022, the Personnel Committee, comprised of the Chairs of all active Districts, unanimously endorsed the proposed ordinance. This item is consistent with the Districts' Guiding Principles of commitment to continual improvement; and commitment to fiscal responsibility and prudent financial stewardship. A copy of the Ordinance accompanied the agenda. A recommendation was made to waive the reading of the Ordinance in its entirety.

Upon motion of Director Garcia, duly seconded and unanimously carried by a roll-call vote, *An Ordinance Prescribing Fees for the Annexation of Territory to County Sanitation District No. 2 of Los Angeles County* (Ordinance) was introduced, and after reading of the title thereof, further reading of the Ordinance was waived.

Upon motion of Director Mitchell, duly seconded and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned to Monday, November 14, 1:30 p.m., via teleconference at the District office, 1955 Workman Mill Road, Whittier, California.

CATHY WARNER Chairperson

ATTEST:

KIMBERLY S. CHRISTENSEN Secretary

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