

**SOUTH BAY IRRIGATION DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING**

February 9, 2022

The Board of Directors of South Bay Irrigation District held a Regular meeting on Wednesday, February 9, 2022. Pursuant to provisions provided for by Assembly Bill 361, this meeting was held via teleconference. President Martinez-Perez called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

*(*Note: After calling the meeting to order, President Martinez-Perez established for the record that all Directors were able to hear the proceedings, that all members of the Board were able to hear the Directors participating by teleconference clearly, and that all votes would be taken by a roll call vote pursuant to the provisions of the Brown Act. President Martinez-Perez further established for the record the process by which public comments would be received by the Board, which process was also described in the Agenda for the meeting.)*

- **ROLL CALL**

Directors Present: Josie Calderon-Scott, Steve Castaneda, Hector Martinez, Paulina Martinez-Perez, and Jose Preciado

Directors Absent: None

Others Present: General Manager Carlos Quintero, Assistant General Manager Jennifer Sabine, Legal Counsel Nicholas Norvell, and Board Secretary Ligia Perez. Staff Present: Interim Director or Engineering Erick del Bosque, Administrative Assistant Michael Garcia, and Director of Finance Rich Stevenson. Others present: John Earl.

- **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG**

- **OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT (Government Code Section 54954.3)**

There were none.

- **PRESIDENT'S PRESENTATION**

ACTION AGENDA

1. **ITEMS TO BE ADDED, WITHDRAWN, OR REORDERED ON THE AGENDA**

There were none.

2. PUBLIC HEARING

Opportunity for members of the public to address the Board and for the Board to provide direction concerning the District's Redistricting Plan pursuant to California Water Code section 21605 and California Elections Code Section 22000.

President Martinez-Perez announced that the Board of Directors of South Bay Irrigation District is conducting a public hearing to receive public comments concerning the "District's Redistricting Plan pursuant to California Water Code section 21605 and California Elections Code Section 22000"

At 5:06 p.m., President Martinez-Perez opened the Public Hearing. General Manager Quintero and Legal Counsel Norvell provided an overview of the Redistricting Plan. Director of Finance Stevenson provided a presentation.

President Martinez-Perez provided an opportunity for comments by the members of the Board. She then provided an opportunity for public comments and stated that each speaker has three minutes to speak. John Earl, member of the public, sought clarity on the difference between the South Bay Irrigation District and Sweetwater Authority.

At 5:10 p.m., President Martinez-Perez closed the Public Hearing.

Director Martinez made a motion, seconded by Director Castaneda, that the Board direct staff to schedule a second public hearing at the March 9, 2022, South Bay Irrigation District Board of Directors meeting to review the Redistricting Plan-Option1 that uses existing division boundaries and population data as presented at the February 9, 2022 meeting, as a redistricting option and receive public comments; and consider final adoption of the proposed Redistricting Plan-Option 1. The motion carried unanimously.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Regular Meeting of January 12, 2022

Director Calderon-Scott made a motion, seconded by Director Castaneda, that the Board approve the minutes of the January 12, 2022 Regular meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

4. APPROVAL OF DEMANDS AND WARRANTS

Director Castaneda made a motion, seconded by Martinez, that the Board approve warrants 11954 through 11960. The motion carried unanimously.

5. NEW BUSINESS

A. Findings to Continue Holding Remote/Teleconference Meetings pursuant to Assembly Bill 361

Director Castaneda made a motion, seconded by Director Martinez, that the Board make the following findings:

- 1) **The Governor-declared COVID-19 State of Emergency remains in effect and the Board has reconsidered the circumstances of the COVID-19 State of Emergency;**

- 2) State or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing; and
- 3) For the next thirty (30) days, the meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held pursuant to the provisions of Government Code section 54953(e), allowing legislative body members and members of the public to participate in meetings remotely in accordance with that section. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Review of Board Policies and Procedures (Policies 111 through 120)

John Earl, member of the public, commented on the availability and publishing of video recordings of Board meetings to the Authority website.

Director Preciado made a motion, seconded by Director Martinez, that the Board approve Board Policies 111 through 120 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

6. APPROVAL OF DIRECTORS' ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS AND FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were none.

REPORTS AND INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

7. DECEMBER 2021 FINANCIAL REPORTS

The report was provided for information only.

8. QUARTERLY REPORT OF DIRECTORS' EXPENSES – SECOND QUARTER

The report was provided for information only.

9. REPORTS BY DIRECTORS ON EVENTS ATTENDED

A. Other Events Attended

There were none.

10. REPORT OF MANAGEMENT

There was none.

11. REPORT OF LEGAL COUNSEL

There was none.

12. DIRECTORS' COMMENTS

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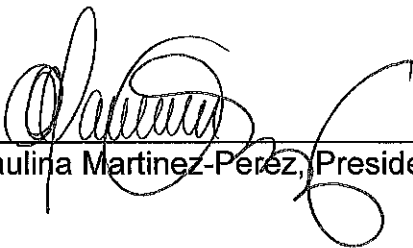
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13. CLOSED SESSION

There was none.

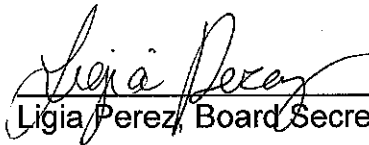
14. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the Board, President Martinez-Perez adjourned the meeting at 5:26 p.m.



Paulina Martinez-Perez, President

Attest:



Ligia Perez, Board Secretary