DUBLIN SAN RAMON SERVICES DISTRICT MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

September 3, 2024

1. CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by President Johnson.

2. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

3. ROLL CALL

<u>Boardmembers present at start of meeting</u>: President Ann Marie Johnson, Vice President Arun Goel, Director Richard M. Halket, Director Dinesh Govindarao, and Director Georgean M. Vonheeder-Leopold.

<u>District staff present</u>: Jan Lee, General Manager/Treasurer; Steve Delight, Engineering Services Director/District Engineer; Ken Spray/Finance Director, Dan Gill, Operations Director; Douglas E. Coty, General Counsel; and Nicole Genzale, Executive Services Supervisor/District Secretary.

General Counsel Coty stated that all Boardmembers attended two Board meetings this evening (a special DSRSD Financing Corporation meeting was held immediately before the regular Board meeting), and no Director will receive any compensation or stipend for participating in more than one meeting on this date.

- 4. <u>SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS/ACTIVITIES</u> None
- 5. <u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u> (MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC) 6:04 p.m. No public comment received.
- 6. <u>AGENDA MANAGEMENT</u> (CONSIDER ORDER OF ITEMS) No changes made.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

Director Govindarao MOVED for approval of the items on the Consent Calendar. Director Vonheeder-Leopold SECONDED the MOTION, which CARRIED with FIVE AYES.

- 7.A. Approve Regular Meeting Minutes of August 20, 2024 Approved
- 7.B. Update Officers Authorized to Transfer Monies in the Local Agency Investment Fund and Rescind Resolution No. 27-23 – Approved – Resolution No. 32-24

8. BOARD BUSINESS

8.A. Receive Presentation on the Electrical Resiliency of the Wastewater and Recycled Water Treatment Plants

Principal Electrical Engineer Mike Nakamura reviewed the item. The Board and staff discussed various aspects of the presentation including the District's major electrical

system components, emergency generator use and capabilities, power shut off history and causes, outage recovery process, solar and battery power support, and the criticality of conducting emergency preparedness drills. The Board also inquired about adding back-up power to the recycled water treatment plant. General Manager Lee stated that DERWA (DSRSD-EBMUD Recycled Water Authority) will be discussing energy cost control as well as the potential for adding back-up power to its operations likely in the next six months.

Vice President Goel stated the prudence of including DERWA's energy assessment into the District's emergency planning. He also expressed the importance of being "shelf-ready" to apply for energy and infrastructure funding as it becomes available and that it is the District's fiduciary responsibility to provide the best level of service to its customers.

8.B. Approve the Water Supply Assessment for the Dublin Commons Project

Associate Engineer Roger Chu reviewed the item for the Board and gave a presentation (handed out to the Board and posted to the website as supplemental materials) on the District's Water Supply Assessment (WSA) for the Dublin Commons Project (Project) located within the Downtown Dublin Specific Plan (DDSP), which included review of demand assumptions in the District's 2020 Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP), the foundation for analysis of water supplies sufficiency, the Project's projected demands, and supply availability.

The Board and staff discussed the WSA findings and various aspects of the Project presentation. Staff clarified that the WSA estimates the Project's additional potable water demand will be 318 acre-feet per year (AFY) and estimates an additional potable water demand of 54 AFY to supply the remaining areas within the DDSP, bringing the total demand estimate for the remaining portions of the DDSP to 372 AFY. The current total projected demand is 150 AFY below the UWMP's estimate of 522 AFY. The 2020 UWMP projections were based on higher development assumptions for the DDSP.

The Board requested clarification if the reduction in demand obligates the District to provide the delta of 150 AFY should there be a future request for supply. The Board also requested staff provide the current potable water usage in the Project area.

General Counsel Coty explained that the WSA is a study providing a current snapshot of supply availability for the Project; it does not entitle the developer nor the City to the supply. He went on to explain that supply availability is affected by changing conditions and regulations, and that additional studies would be performed upon future requests from the City. Mr. Chu also reported that the District conducts the UWMP every 5 years on a 25-year horizon, and that the next UWMP will be completed in 2025.

Director Halket MOVED to adopt <u>Resolution No. 33-24</u>, Approving the Water Supply Assessment for the Dublin Commons Project. Vice President Goel SECONDED the MOTION, which CARRIED with FIVE AYES.

President Johnson stated that her approval of the WSA assumes that the recycled water use for the Project will be used at the site. She noted concerns regarding the Project's

landscaping plans and requested that staff advise the City on landscaping measures to ensure the current recycled water usage level continues. General Manager Lee confirmed that staff can provide guidance when submitting the WSA to the City.

9. REPORTS

9.A. Boardmember Items

9.A.1. Joint Powers Authority and Committee LAVWMA – August 21, 2024

President Johnson invited comments on recent JPA activities. Directors felt the available staff reports adequately covered the matters considered at the LAVWMA meeting and commented on some of the meeting activities.

9.A.2. Submittal of Written Reports for Day of Service Events Attended by Directors

Director Govindarao submitted a written report to Executive Services Supervisor/District Secretary Genzale. He reported that he attended the Tri-Valley Mayors' Summit Luncheon on August 22 at the Blackhawk Museum in Danville. He summarized the activities and discussions at the meeting.

Director Vonheeder-Leopold submitted written reports to Executive Services Supervisor/District Secretary Genzale. She reported that she also attended the Tri-Valley Mayors' Summit Luncheon on August 22 and the California Association of Sanitation Agencies Board of Directors Strategic Planning Retreat on August 25–27 in Santa Barbara. She summarized the activities and discussions at the meetings.

Director Halket reported on a recent news article that appeared in the New York Times regarding PFAS (perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances) in biosolids being used as fertilizer for farmland. He requested that staff share the article with the Board and include responses to the article from well-known industry experts. General Manager Lee confirmed they will be included in this week's General Manager Report. Director Halket also reported that he will be attending the upcoming WateReuse conference in Garden Grove and will miss the September 17 Board meeting. He also inquired as to the status of the Boardroom audio/visual system. General Manager Lee stated that staff will bring an update to the Board by the end of this calendar year.

President Johnson reported that she may have stated tonight's meeting date as September 4, 2024, and wished to correct the date to September 3, 2024.

9.A.3. Request New Agenda Item(s) Be Placed on a Future Board or Committee Agenda

Vice President Goel requested an item be scheduled for an upcoming meeting regarding a comprehensive emergency response (disaster recovery) and emergency energy planning.

9.B. Staff Reports

General Manager Lee reported on the following items:

- The Annual California Special Districts Association Conference will be held September 9–12 in Indian Wells.
- The WateReuse California Annual Conference will be held September 15–17 in Garden Grove.
- A DSRSD/City of Dublin Liaison Committee meeting will be held on Monday, September 16, at 4 p.m.

10. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

President Johnson adjourned the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

Submitted by,

Nicole Genzale, CMC Executive Services Supervisor/District Secretary