

LAMONT PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, August 28, 2018 6:00 P.M.

Meeting Location:
District Office
8624 Segrue Road
Lamont CA, 93241

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

- a. Board Vice-President Maria Hernandez called to order the regular board meeting at 6:01pm on Tuesday, August 28, 2018 at the office of the Lamont Public Utility District. All board members were present except for President Cruz. President Cruz was absent. Staff present included General Manager/District Secretary Scott Taylor.

2. Pledge of Allegiance – Led by Vice -President Hernandez.

3. Board Member Announcements –

- a. None.

4. Public Comment

- a. None.

5. Staff Announcements – Information Only

- a. General Manager advised Board that Wendy Swope resigned from the District. General Manager also advised that Brent Walker has been hired as the new finance manager.

6. Consent Agenda

- a. Director Sanchez commented on the meeting minutes from a previous meeting. Director Sanchez commented about public comments within the minutes.
- b. Director Prado inquired into the operating expenses of the District, specifically asking about a conditional waiver and release of lien upon receipt of payment. General Manager explained the conditional waiver process where a contractor releases their lien rights on specific portions of work done, upon receipt of partial payment, as it relates to the contractor doing work for the District.
- c. Motion made by Director Sanchez to approve consent agenda as presented. Seconded by Director Gonzalez. Motions passes 4-0.

7. Regular Agenda

- a. Action to Authorize General Manager to Issue a Will Serve Letter for a Commercial Development at Panama Road and Howard Street.
 - i. General Manager presented information regarding a request for a will serve letter for a commercial development of two parcels including a tentative parcel map. All fees and costs were provided to developer noting no service will be obtained until all costs and fees are paid in full.
 - ii. Motion made by Director Gonzalez to authorize issuance of Will Serve Letter. Seconded by Director Sanchez. Motion passes 4-0.
- b. Action to Authorize General Manager to Issue a Will Serve Letter for a Commercial Development at 7913 Panama Road.
 - i. General Manager presented information regarding a request for a will serve letter for a commercial development of one parcel with a six suite development. All fees and costs were provided to developer noting no service will be obtained until all costs and fees are paid in full.
 - ii. Motion made by Director Gonzalez to authorize issuance of Will Serve Letter. Seconded by Director Sanchez. Motion passes 4-0.
- c. Action to Authorize General Manager to Issue a Will Serve Letter for a Tentative Parcel Map for a proposed future development at Mountain View Road and Weedpatch Highway.
 - i. General Manager presented information regarding a request for a will serve letter for a tentative parcel map for a development located at Mountain View Road and Weedpatch Highway.
 - ii. Motion made by Director Gonzalez to authorize issuance of Will Serve Letter. Seconded by Director Prado. Motion passes 4-0.
- d. Action to Submit Verification of Updated Conflict of Interest Code to Kern County as Required by FPPC.
 - i. General Manager presented information regarding the FPPC requirement of updating the District's Conflict of Interest Code.
 - ii. Director Prado requested the item be tabled from the agenda to obtain a more detailed explanation of the FPPC requirements and copies of the

Government Code and FPPC regulations requiring the updating of the Conflict of Interest Code.

- iii. Director Sanchez opposed tabling the item stating the Board updates the Conflict of Interest Code every 2 years and that the Board has seen and done this several times in the past. Director Gonzalez concurred.
- iv. Director Prado made a motion to table the item from the agenda. Motion was seconded by Vice President Hernandez. Motion failed 2-2. Director Prado – Yes, Vice President Hernandez – Yes, Director Sanchez – No, Director Gonzalez – No.
- v. Additional discussion occurred.
- vi. Director Sanchez commented on the need for Board members to obtain the additional information they need before the Board meeting so as not to spend time trying to understand something that they have seen several times before.
- vii. Director Sanchez made a motion to approve a resolution updating the Conflict of Interest Code. Seconded by Director Gonzalez. Motion failed 2-2. Director Sanchez – yes. Director Gonzalez – Yes. Director Prado – No. Vice President Hernandez – No.
- viii. Director Sanchez finally agreed to table the agenda item stating the Board will never agree and “we will be here all night.”
- ix. Director Sanchez made a motion to table agenda item #4. Seconded by Director Gonzalez. Motion to table item #4 to a future meeting passes 4-0.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Director Prado and seconded by Director Gonzalez to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lamont Public Utility District, held on Tuesday, August 28, 2018 at 6:53 pm. Approved. 4-0.

ATTEST:

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Jose G. Cruz, President of the Board

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Scott Taylor, Secretary General Manager