



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF  
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
LA PUENTE VALLEY COUNTY WATER DISTRICT  
FOR MONDAY, MARCH 22, 2021 AT 5:30 PM**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

President Rojas called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

President Rojas led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. ROLL CALL OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

President Rojas	Vice President Barajas	Director Argudo	Director Escalera	Director Hernandez
Present Via Teleconference	Present Via Teleconference	Present Via Teleconference	Present Via Teleconference	Present Via Teleconference

**OTHERS PRESENT**

**Staff and Counsel:** General Manager & Board Secretary, Roy Frausto; Office Manager, Gina Herrera; Customer Service and Accounting Clerk, Vanessa Koyama; Operations & Maintenance Superintendent, Paul Zampiendo; Water Treatment & Supply Supervisor, Cesar Ortiz and District Counsel, Jim Ciampa all present via teleconference.

**Public:** No members of the public were present.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

No comments from the Public.

**5. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Motion: Adopt Agenda as Presented.

1st: President Rojas

2nd: Director Escalera

	<b>Rojas</b>	<b>Barajas</b>	<b>Argudo</b>	<b>Escalera</b>	<b>Hernandez</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion carried by a vote of: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent.

**6. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

Motion: Approve Consent Calendar as Presented.

1st: President Rojas

2nd: Director Argudo

	<b>Rojas</b>	<b>Barajas</b>	<b>Argudo</b>	<b>Escalera</b>	<b>Hernandez</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion carried by a vote of: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent.

## 7. FINANCIAL REPORTS

### A. Summary of the District's and IPU's Cash and Investments as of February 28, 2021.

Mr. Frausto provided a summary of the balances in each account provided in the Summary of Cash and Investments as of February 28, 2021.

Motion: Receive and File the Summary of Cash and Investments as of February 28, 2021.

1st: President Rojas

2nd: Director Hernandez

	<b>Rojas</b>	<b>Barajas</b>	<b>Argudo</b>	<b>Escalera</b>	<b>Hernandez</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion carried by a vote of: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent.

### B. Statement of District's Revenue and Expenses as of February 28, 2021.

Mrs. Herrera provided a summary of the Statement of Revenues and Expenses for the District as of February 28, 2021.

Motion: Receive and File the Statement of the District's Revenue and Expenses as of February 28, 2021.

1st: Director Escalera

2nd: Director Argudo

	<b>Rojas</b>	<b>Barajas</b>	<b>Argudo</b>	<b>Escalera</b>	<b>Hernandez</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion carried by a vote of: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent.

### C. Statement of the Industry Public Utilities' Water Operations Revenue and Expenses as of February 28, 2021.

Mrs. Herrera provided a summary of the Statement of Revenues and Expenses for the Industry Public Utilities' Water Operations.

Motion: Receive and File the Statement of the Industry Public Utilities Water Operations' Revenue and Expenses as of February 28, 2021.

1st: Director Argudo

2nd: President Rojas

	<b>Rojas</b>	<b>Barajas</b>	<b>Argudo</b>	<b>Escalera</b>	<b>Hernandez</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion carried by a vote of: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent.

## 8. ACTION / DISCUSSION ITEMS

**A. Consideration of Increase to the Board of Directors’ Per Day of Service Compensation.**

Mr. Frausto provided a memo with an overview of Ordinance No. 2007-01, which allows for a 5% increase to the Board of Director’s Per Day of Service Compensation. Mr. Frausto further explained that without a motion the increase would automatically take effect. After a brief discussion, the Board agreed not to take an increase in compensation.

Motion: To Not Accept the Increase in Board of Directors’ Per Day of Service Compensation.  
 1st: Director Escalera  
 2nd: President Rojas

	<b>Rojas</b>	<b>Barajas</b>	<b>Argudo</b>	<b>Escalera</b>	<b>Hernandez</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion carried by a vote of: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent.

**B. Consideration of a Letter of Support to Congresswoman Grace F. Napolitano to Request Federal Funding from the House of Representatives Appropriations Committee for the District’s Nitrate Treatment Project.**

Mr. Frausto presented the letter to the Board and stated that he is planning on applying for Federal funding to offset the costs for the Nitrate Treatment Project.

Motion: Authorize the Board President to Execute the Letter of Support.  
 1st: President Rojas  
 2nd: Director Argudo

	<b>Rojas</b>	<b>Barajas</b>	<b>Argudo</b>	<b>Escalera</b>	<b>Hernandez</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion carried by a vote of: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent.

**C. Discussion on the District’s Water Master Plan.**

Mr. Frausto gave the Board a presentation of the Water Master Plan CIP Projects. He discussed the status of where the District was in regards to the CIP projects.

**D. Discussion on the District’s SCADA Project.**

Mr. Zampiello updated the Board on some of the progress made on the SCADA Project. Mr. Ortiz elaborated on the status of the project and added the progress that has been made through SoCal SCADA team meetings.

**9. OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

Mr. Zampiello gave an overview of the report he provided in the Board Packet.

Motion: Receive and File the Operations and Maintenance Superintendent’s Report  
 1st: President Rojas  
 2nd: Director Escalera

	<b>Rojas</b>	<b>Barajas</b>	<b>Argudo</b>	<b>Escalera</b>	<b>Hernandez</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion carried by a vote of: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent.

**10. GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT**

Mr. Frausto informed the Board that District Staff is now eligible to receive the COVID -19 vaccinations if they choose to do so. Mr. Frausto also announced that the Homestead Museum received LA County plan approval to be retrofitted from potable to recycled water to irrigate their landscape areas.

**11. OTHER ITEMS**

**A. Information Items.**

Included in Board Packet.

**12. ATTORNEY’S COMMENTS**

Mr. Ciampa did not have any new items to report.

**13. CLOSED SESSION 6:32 p.m.**

**A. Conference with legal counsel – anticipated litigation**

Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of government code section 54956.9. One case.

**14. CLOSED SESSION REPORT 6:50 p.m.**

Board met in closed session and the Board was briefed on the facts and circumstances of the matter and legal counsel and general manager where given direction concerning the matter.

**15. BOARD MEMBERS COMMENTS**

**A. Report on Events Attended.**

None

**B. Other Comments.**

None

**16. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

None

**17. ADJOURNMENT**

President Rojas adjourned the meeting at 6:51 p.m.

Attest:

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William R. Rojas, President

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Roy Frausto, Secretary