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Special Meeting August 21, 2024

Members Present:

B.J. Lupton, Bob Balding, Butch Clark, Jack Fallon, Bill Matthews, and

General Manager, Cindy Murray

Members Absent:

TJ Wendt

Staff Present:

Rob Collier, Mark James, Mimi Wildeman, Jeff Walla,

Members of the Public Present: Dennis Falcon, Nathan Bilyeu (counsel to the District)

B.J. Lupton, President, called the meeting to order at 7:01 a.m., declared that a quorum of voting Board members was present, welcomed the staff in attendance, and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Cindy Murray informed the Board that agenda items number 8 and 9 will be moved to follow agenda item number 5. Bob Balding moved to approve the Agenda as amended, which was seconded by Bill Matthews. After discussion, the Board approved the motion by unanimous vote.

Next, the Board considered the minutes of the August 14, 2024, meeting. Bill Matthews moved to approve the minutes, which was seconded by Bob Balding. After discussion, the Board approved the motion by unanimous vote.

The Board then considered agenda item number 8, Resolution 2024-24, concerning the issuance of a Request for Qualifications seeking proposal for engineering services in connection with a Wastewater Treatment Alternatives Study. Bob Balding moved to adopt the resolution, which was seconded by Bill Matthews. After discussion, the Board approved the motion by unanimous vote and adopted Resolution 2024-24.

The Board then considered agenda item number 9, a request for approval of the Strategic Plan for FY25 presented by Cindy Murray. Jack Fallon moved to approve the Plan, which was seconded by Bob Balding. After discussion, the Board approved the Strategic Plan for FY25 by unanimous vote.

Nathan Bilyeu, of the Jackson, Murdo firm in Helena, then joined the meeting by video conference call. Mr. Bilyeu is bond counsel for the District.

The Board next considered agenda item 6, proposed Resolution 2024-22 concerning SRF Financing of the West Reserve Wells Project and associated bond requirements and covenants for an amount up to \$2,953,000 and authorizing the General Manager to sign all related Agreements and required documentation. Cindy Murray and Nathan Bilyeu presented a detailed overview of the loan requirements and covenants. Bill Matthews moved to approve the proposed resolution, which was seconded by Bob Balding. After discussion, the Board approved the motion by unanimous vote and adopted Resolution 2024-22.

The Board next considered agenda item number 7, proposed Resolution 2024-23 requesting reimbursement from SRF financing proceeds for certain expenditures related to the West Reserve Wells Project. Nathan Bilyeu presented a summary of the reason for the resolution that allows reimbursement for previous qualifying expenditures. Bob Balding moved to adopt Resolution 2024-23 which was seconded by Bill Matthews. After discussion, the Board approved the motion by unanimous vote and adopted Resolution 2024-23.

The meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 9:00 a.m. The next regular Board meeting will be on September 18, 2024, at 7:00 a.m.

Submitted by

Cynthia Murray, Secretary

Signed by\_

B.J. Lupton, President