# OF PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 OF THURSTON COUNTY, WASHINGTON

The special meeting for September 2020 of the Commissioners of Public Utility District No. 1 of Thurston County was called to order on Tuesday, September 1, 2020, commencing at 5:00 p.m. Commissioners Russell E. Olsen, Linda Oosterman, and Chris Stearns were present for the teleconference meeting hosted via Zoom. The following District employees were also present for the meeting:

- John Weidenfeller, General Manager (GM)
- Julie Parker, Assistant General Manager (AGM)
- Kurin Miller, Clerk to the Board

### Call to Order:

Commissioner Olsen called the special meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

## Approval of Agenda:

Commissioner Oosterman made a motion to approve the agenda as presented: Commissioner Olsen seconded the motion; the motion passed with all present in favor.

Information or Discussion of Operations/Policy Issues:

# Continuing Update - District Response to Coronavirus, COVID-19 Threat

Commissioner Oosterman asked about COVID-19 cases in Thurston County, and she spoke about lab testing. Commissioner Olsen discussed COVID-19 cases on a state-wide basis. Commissioner Stearns asked about employee vacations and quarantine restrictions. The Commissioners and staff discussed these topics in further detail.

### **General Manager and Staff Updates**

GM Weidenfeller gave an update on the Nisqually Highlands water system.

### **Commissioner Topics, Discussions and Reports:**

Commissioner Olsen had nothing to report. However, he did give an update regarding his contact with AGM Parker and the State Auditor's Office and their upcoming meeting.

Commissioner Oosterman spoke about elected officials. The Board discussed this topic in further detail. Commissioner Oosterman also discussed her work with water trees. She also spoke about water information resources; the Board discussed this topic in further detail.

Commissioner Stearns attended the District's recent staff meeting. He also spoke to two upcoming meetings he will attend.

At 5:23 p.m., Commissioner Olsen announced that the Board would enter into an Executive Session to consider the selection of a site or the acquisition of real estate by lease or purchase when public knowledge regarding such consideration would cause a likelihood of increased price in accordance with RCW 42.30.110 (1)(b) for 21 minutes until 5:44 p.m. At 5:44 p.m., it was announced that the Executive Session would be extended for six minutes until 5:50 p.m. At 5:50 p.m., the Executive

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Session concluded, and the regular meeting resumed. No decisions were made by the Board during Executive Session.

Adjournment: Commissioner Oosterman made a motion to adjourn the meeting: Commissioner Stearns seconded the motion; the motion passed with all in favor. The meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

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Attest:

Chris Stearns, Commissioner and Secretary