MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING OF AUGUST 5, 2025

OF

PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1

OF

THURSTON COUNTY, WASHINGTON

The first special meeting for August 2025 of the Commissioners of Public Utility District No. 1 of Thurston County was called to order on August 5, 2025. The meeting commenced at 5:00 p.m. Commissioners Russell E. Olsen and Chris Stearns were present for the hybrid meeting hosted via Zoom video conferencing and in-person at District Headquarters, located at 1230 Ruddell Road SE, Lacey, Washington 98503. District staff present at the meeting include:

- John Weidenfeller, General Manager (GM)
- Julie Parker, Assistant General Manager (AGM)
- TaSeana Tartt, Finance Director (FD)
- Kurin Miller, Administrative Services Coordinator (ASC) and Clerk to the Board

Call to Order:

Commissioner Stearns called the regular meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Agenda:

Commissioner Olsen made a motion to approve the agenda as amended: Commissioner Stearns seconded the motion; the motion passed with all in favor.

Consent Calendar:

Approval of Minutes: None

Prequalification of Contractors: None

Correspondence: None Voucher Approval:

1) Accounts Payables: None

2) Payroll: None

Other: None

Approval of Consent Calendar:

There weren't any items listed within the Consent Calendar, so the Commissioners went on to public comments.

Public Comments:

Kristine Rompa attended the meeting virtually, though she declined to provide public comment.

Information or Discussion of Operations/Policy Issues: None

Executive Session:

There was an Executive Session listed on the agenda, but the Commissioners declined to enter into the Executive Session.

Action/Approval Item(s):

Nomination of One or More Candidates for District No. 1 Commissioner

Commissioner Stearns spoke briefly about the vacancy and Commissioner responsibilities.

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Pursuant to RCW 42.12.080, Commissioner Olsen moved the nomination of the following candidates for District No. 1 Commissioner:

- 1) Bruce Wilkinson
- 2) Derek Pell
- 3) James Cooper, Jr.
- 4) Jim Lazar
- 5) Lindsey Kennelly
- 6) Martin Fisher
- 7) Samantha Smithingell
- 8) Tom Livingston

Commissioner Olsen further moved that the notice of vacancy for the District No. 1 Commissioner position and the name of the nominated candidates be posted in three public places in the District, including at PUD Headquarters and on the District's website, for a minimum of 15 days: Commissioner Stearns seconded the motion; the motion passed with all in favor.

Presentations:

GM Weidenfeller announced that District staff did not have any presentations for the Board.

Commissioner Topics, Discussions, and Reports:

Commissioner Olsen reported that he will be attending the next regular Commission meeting remotely.

Adjournment: Commissioner Olsen made a motion to adjourn the meeting: Commissioner Stearns seconded the motion; the motion passed with all in favor. The meeting adjourned at 5:07 p.m.

Assignments: None

Christopher Stearns (Aug 28, 2025 11:40:48 PDT)

Christopher Stearns, Commissioner and President

Attest:

Russell E. Olsen

Russell E. Olsen (Aug 26, 2025 18:26:43 PDT)

Russell E. Olsen, Commissioner and Vice President

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