MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF OCTOBER 2, 2019 OF PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 OF THURSTON COUNTY, WASHINGTON

The first Special Meeting for October 2019 of the Commissioners of Public Utility District No. 1 of Thurston County was called to order on Wednesday, October 2, 2019, at the PUD Administrative Office located at 1230 Ruddell Road SE, Lacey, Washington 98503, commencing at 4:30 p.m. Commissioners Russell E. Olsen, Linda Oosterman, and Chris Stearns were present for the meeting. The following District employees were present: John Weidenfeller, General Manager (GM), Julie Parker, Assistant General Manager (AGM), Joe Rehberger, the District's Chief Legal Counsel, and Staci Mozee-Ramos, filling-in as Clerk to the Board.

Call to Order: Commissioner Olsen called the regular meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Agenda: Commissioner Oosterman made a motion to approve the agenda as amended; all in favor. (Commissioner Stearns had not yet arrived when this motion was made.)

Public Comments: No members of the public were present for the meeting.

Action /Approval Item(s):

Commissioner Olsen expressed his desire to approve and adopt the 2020 Budget as presented, and then make amendments to these resolutions after initial approval.

GM Weidenfeller presented the changes made to the resolutions based on discussions with staff and the Utility Rate Advisory Committee (URAC). A separate rate schedule for Redtail Hawk, Frog Hollow 1, 2, and 3, and Mt. Lakeview water system customers is now included in the rate resolution the Board will consider; these water systems will be fully brought into PUD rates on January 2021. A new line item will be added in as a General Fund line item in the amount of \$15,000 titled 'Other Lines of Business.' The GIS project is included in one of the resolutions, but this project will be removed for 2020 and revisited next year.

The Commissioners posed several questions for staff; items discussed included technology needed for staff, budgeted legal services, the General Facility Charge (GFC) and its place in the budget, water rights, the proposed reduction to Thurston County property taxes, and feedback from the Public Hearings.

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Resolution 19-34, 2020 Operating Budget

Commissioner Oosterman made a motion to approve Resolution 19-34: Commissioner Stearns seconded the motion; all in favor.

Resolution 19-35, 2020 Rates, Fees, Charges and Surcharges Commissioner Oosterman made a motion to approve Resolution 19-35: Commissioner Stearns seconded the motion; all in favor.

Resolution 19-36, 2020 Capital Budget

Commissioner Stearns made a motion to approve Resolution 19-36: Commissioner Stearns seconded the motion; all in favor.

Commissioner Signatures/Break: There was no break – Commissioners signed documents during the meeting.

Presentations:

Staff reports were not included in the agenda packet, and no presentations were made.

Commissioner Topics, Discussions and Reports:

Commissioners did not present or report at this meeting.

Executive Session:

At 5:10 p.m., Commissioner Olsen announced that the Commissioners would enter into an Executive Session until 5:25 p.m. and stated that the Executive Session was called in accordance with the provisions of the following RCWs:

- RCW 42.30.110 (1)(g), to evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee, and
- RCW 42.30.110 (1)(i), to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency matters relating to agency enforcement actions, or to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency litigation or potential litigation to which the agency, the governing body, or a member acting in an official capacity is, or is likely to become, a party, when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the agency.

At 5:25 p.m., it was announced that the Executive Session would be extended to 5:35 p.m. At 5:35 p.m., the Executive Session concluded, and the regular meeting resumed. No decisions were made in Executive Session.

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Adjournment: Commissioner Stearns made a motion to adjourn the meeting: Commissioner Oosterman seconded the motion; all in favor. The meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Assignments:

- 1. Present a 2020 Budget amendment at the second regular Commission meeting in October; add a General Fund line item in the amount of \$15,000 titled 'Other Lines of Business.'
- 2. Present a 2020 Budget amendment at the second regular Commission meeting in October; remove monies allotted to the GIS project from the Capital Budget.

Russell E. Olsen, Commissioner and Presiden

Attest:

Chris Stearns, Commissioner and Secretary