## HARRIS COUNTY WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 36 MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS OCTOBER 8, 2024

The Board of Directors (the "Board" or "Directors") of Harris County Water Control and Improvement District No. 36 (the "District") met in regular session at 4:00 P.M. at 903 Hollywood, Houston, Texas 77015 on **Tuesday, October 8, 2024**, pursuant to notice of said meeting posted in accordance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code. The roll was called of the members of the Board, to-wit:

Gerardo Parra
Ronald S. Holder
Wice President
Maria E. Koukoulakis
Eddie Cantu
Tammy Eason
President
Vice President
Secretary
Director

All members of the Board were present, with the exception of Director Parra, thus constituting a quorum. Also attending were Regina Duncan via zoom ("General Manager"); Gricelda Medrano ("Bookkeeper"); Dennis Corley ("Field Operations Manager") Chantal Robinson (Employees of the District); Brenda McLaughlin of Bob Leared Interests ("Tax Assessor/Collector"); Chris Lane of SAMCO Capital Markets ("Financial Advisor"); Jennifer Shakra of A&S Engineers, Inc. ("District's Engineer"); Erica Rocha (via zoom) of S.E.A.L. Security Solutions, LLC ("S.E.A.L"); Luz Lopez of Harris County Precinct 2.; Jennifer Day of McCall Gibson Swedlund Barfoot PLLC ("Auditor"); and Will Petrov, attorney of Johnson Petrov LLP ("District's Attorney").

- 1. <u>Public Comment.</u> The President first opened the meeting to public comment concerning the business of the District. Ms. Lopez updated the Board regarding activities within the District.
- 2. <u>Minutes</u>. Next, consideration was then given to the approval of the regular meeting minutes of September 24, 2024, a copy of which was distributed to the Board.

Upon motion by Director Eason, seconded by Director Koukoulakis, after full discussion and with all Directors present voting aye, the Board approved such minutes as presented.

3. <u>Tax Assessor-Collector Report.</u> The Board then considered the Tax Assessor-Collector Report, prepared by Bob Leared Interests, a copy of which is attached as <u>Exhibit "A."</u> Ms. McLaughlin presented and reviewed the Tax Assessor Collector Report with the Board, reporting 94.413% of the 2023 taxes have been collected as of September 30, 2024.

Upon motion by Director Cantu, seconded by Director Eason, after full discussion and with all Directors present voting aye, the Board approved the Tax Assessor-Collectors Report.

a. <u>Public Hearing on Tax Rate</u>. The President called the public hearing on the 2024 Tax Rate to order at 4:27 p.m., stating that the notice was published as required in the North Channel Star newspaper. A copy of the Affidavit of Publication is attached hereto as Exhibit "A-1." The Vice President noted that there was no public comment on the tax rate. The

Vice President declared that the Board had proposed to levy a 2024 tax rate totaling \$0.2358 per \$100 assessed valuation for debt service purposes only. The Board closed the public hearing at 4:28 p.m.

b. <u>Order Setting Rate and Levying Tax for 2024</u>. The Board next considered an Order Setting Rate and Levying Tax for 2024, a copy of which is attached as <u>Exhibit "A-2."</u>

Upon motion by Director Cantu, seconded by Director Eason, after full discussion and with all Directors present voting aye, the Board approved the Order Setting Rate and Levying Tax for 2024 authorizing a debt service tax rate of \$0.2358 per \$100 assessed valuation.

c. <u>Order Appointing Tax Assessor/Collector.</u> The Board next considered an Order Appointing Tax Assessor-Collector, a copy of which is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit "A-3."</u>

Upon motion by Director Cantu, seconded by Director Koukoulakis, after full discussion and with all Directors present voting aye, the Board approved the Order Appointing Tax Assessor-Collector, as presented, appointing Bob Leared of Bob Leared Interests the District's Tax Assessor-Collector.

d. <u>Resolution Concerning Tax Collection Procedures</u>. The Board then considered a Resolution Concerning Tax Collection Procedures, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit "A-4."

Upon motion by Director Eason, seconded by Director Koukoulakis, after full discussion and with all Directors present voting aye, the Board adopted the resolution, as presented, voting not to change the tax payment options or procedures.

e. <u>Amended District Information Form.</u> Mr. Petrov presented an Amended and Restated District Information Form, a copy of which is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit "A-5."</u> Mr. Petrov reminded the Board that the form is amended annually to show the current tax rate, the outstanding debt, the Notice to Purchasers form, and the total amount of bonds that have been approved by the voters and which may be issued by the District. The amended form is required to be filed with Harris County Real Property Records (the "HCRPR") and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (the "TCEQ").

Upon motion by Director Cantu, seconded by Director Eason, after full discussion and with all Directors present voting aye, the Board approved the Amended District Information Form and authorized the Johnson Petrov to file the Order with the HCRPR and the TCEQ as required by law.

4. <u>Delinquent Tax Report</u>. The Board next reviewed the Delinquent Tax Report prepared by Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins & Mott, L.L.P., a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "B".

Upon motion by Director Cantu, seconded by Director Eason, after full discussion and with all Directors present voting aye, the Board approved the Delinquent Tax Report.

5. <u>S.E.A.L. Security</u>. Sgt. Rocha presented the S.E.A.L. Patrol Report, a copy of which is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit "B."</u> Sgt. Rocha reviewed the recent activities in the District and responded to questions from the Board.

Upon motion by Director Koukoulakis, seconded by Director Cantu, after full discussion and with all Directors present voting aye, the Board approved the S.E.A.L. Patrol Report.

6. <u>Bookkeeper's Report</u>. The Board then reviewed the current invoices for payment.

Upon motion by Director Koukoulakis, seconded by Director Cantu, after full discussion and with all Directors present voting aye, the Board approved payment of the invoices presented.

7. <u>Engineer's Report.</u> The Board then considered the Engineer's Report, prepared by A&S Engineers, Inc., a copy of which is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit "D."</u> Ms. Shakra reviewed the written report and updated the Board on the current engineering activities in the District.

Upon motion by Director Eason, seconded by Director Cantu, after full discussion and with all Directors present voting aye, the Board approved the Engineer's Report.

- 8. <u>General Manager's Report.</u> The Board then considered the General Managers Report, a copy of which is attached as <u>Exhibit "E."</u>
- a. Mr. Corley updated the Board regarding the District's current operations and ongoing projects, including an update on the Redmond Property. Ms. Duncan reviewed the written report and responded to questions from the Board.
  - b. <u>Consideration and possible action regarding the Engagement of Burton Accounting PLLC to review 2023-2024 Audit</u>. The Board reviewed the Engagement of Burton Accounting, PLLC for the additional auditing services for fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, a copy of which is attached to the General Manager's Report.

Mr. Corley explained that the additional auditing service enables the District to receive a management letter from the District's auditor without a material weakness statement.

Upon motion by Director Cantu, seconded by Director Eason, after full discussion and with all Directors voting aye, the Board authorized the engagement of Burton Accounting PLLC for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024.

Upon motion by Director Cantu, seconded by Director Eason, after full discussion and with all Directors present voting aye, the Board approved the General Manager's Report.

## 9. New Business.

a. <u>Audit Report for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024.</u> The Board then considered the Audit Report and Management Letter, prepared by McCall Gibson Swedlund Barfoot PLLC, a copy of which is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit "F."</u> Ms. Day responded to questions from the Board.

The Board authorized the Bookkeeper to prepare and file a continuing disclosure report. Mr. Petrov reminded the Board that under the provisions of the District's outstanding Bond Orders, the District is required to make an annual disclosure filing, and pursuant to the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission, certain material events that may have a negative financial impact upon the District's ability to meet its financial obligations must be disclosed. The District has not experienced any negative events, but whether or not any such events occur, the District is required to make an annual filing. Additionally, Mr. Petrov stated that the audit must be filed with the State Comptroller's Office.

Upon motion by Director Cantu, seconded by Director Koukoulakis, after full discussion and with all Directors present voting aye, the Board approved the audit report as presented, subject to a ten (10) day review for the District to submit any comments and authorized Ms. Medrano to prepare and file the Continuing Disclosure Report on the EMMA website. Johnson Petrov will file the audit report with the State Comptroller's Office.

b. <u>Authorize Attendance at 2025 AWBD Mid-Winter Conference (January 24-25, 2025 – Austin, Texas.</u>

Upon motion by Director Koukoulakis, seconded by Director Eason, after full discussion and with all Directors present voting aye, the Board authorized attendance at 2025 AWBD Mid-Winter Conference (January 24-25, 2025 – Austin, Texas).

10. <u>Old Business</u>. Need Help with wording:

The Board discussed Houston Garden Center's ("HGC") request for a water well permit and the interconnection of the water well, fertilizer and the District's system.

Upon motion by Director Eason, seconded by Director Koukoulakis, after full discussion and with all Directors present voting aye, the Board authorized Johnson Petrov to send a letter to HGC regarding the water well connection on the District's behalf.

- 11. Executive Session. None.
- 12. <u>Receive other presentations, reports or updates from Board members, consultants, or employees.</u>

## THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, the meeting was adjourned.

**PASSED** and **APPROVED** this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of October, 2024.

Secretary, Board of Directors

## **EXHIBITS**:

- A Tax Assessor-Collector Report
- A-1 Affidavit of Publication
- A-2 Order Setting Rate and Levying Tax for 2024
- A-3 Order Appointing Tax Assessor-Collector
- A-4- Resolution Concerning Tax Collection Procedures
- A-5 Amended and Restated District Information Form
- B Delinquent Tax Report
- C S.E.A.L. Security
- D Engineer's Report
- E General Manager's Report
- F Audit Report for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024

