#### LIST OF RESOLUTIONS FOR 2018 - 19

1.	SCADA Upgrade	7.21.18
2.	Relocate BoD Meetings	7.21.18
3.	Multiple User Variance	8.16.18
4.	USDA Loan Application Authorization	8.16.18
5.	Compensation for Acting District Manager	9.20.18
6.	Agreement for Water Meter and Fire Service-M. Papahn	9.20.18
7.	Update Policies & Procedures for Prop 218 Proceedings	9.20.18
8.	Delegation of Authority to Request Disbursements-CalPERS	10.18.18
9.	Ratify JPA Forming SMGA	11.15.18
10.	Lompico Radio Survey	11.15.18
11.	SCADA System	11.15.18
12.	Wastewater Rates	11.15.18
13.	Quail Hollow Rehab Evaluation	11.15.18
14.	Debt Management Policy	11.15.18
15.	Loan Conveyance Agreement	11.15.18
16.	Baughman Appreciation	12.13.18
17.	Ratcliffe Appreciation	12.13.18
18.	Hayes Appreciation	12.13.18
19.	Sexual Harassment Policy 2019	12.13.18
20.	Respectful Workplace Policy 2019	12.13.18
21.	Personnel System Rules and Regulations 2019	12.13.18
22.	Board Policy Manual 2019	12.13.18
23.	Setting Regular Board Meetings 2019	12.13.18
24.	Award of Bid - Blue Tank Foundation	1.3.19
25.	Award of Bid - Vehicle Replacement	1.3.19
26.	Board Policy Manual 2019	1.17.19
27.	Revised Board Policy Manual 2019	2.7.19

28.	Lompico PRV Award of Bid	2.21.19
29.	Lyon & Sequoia Pipelines	2.21.19
30.	Censure of Director Smallman	2.28.19
31.	Quail Hollow/Olympia Wells Rehab	3.7.19
32.	Bruce Appreciation	5.16.19
33.	Adopt FY 19-20 Budget	6.20.19

#### SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 1 (18-19)

#### SUBJECT: RESOLUTION FOR SCADA UPGRADE

WHEREAS, the District's SCADA control hardware and software is approximately 16 years old, with the last upgrade approximately 8 years ago; and

WHEREAS, the current hardware and software has reached life expectancy and requires replacement and upgrade to the software; and

WHEREAS, the SCADA is used to operate the water treatment plants and is integrated with the District's master SCADA system; and

WHEREAS, the existing hardware is and software is proprietary and the District already owns software licensing; and

WHEREAS, fiscal budget 2018-19 provides \$113,000 for software upgrades; and

WHEREAS, the replacement of 4 servers and integration add an additional cost of \$70,782.06 for a total of \$183,782.06; and

WHEREAS, staff is requesting sole source procurement and waiving formal bidding procedures as allowed in District Rules and Regulation, Section 14.09;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District approves the sole source procurement of Systems Integrated for hardware replacement and software upgrade to the SCADA system.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, on the 19th day of July, 2018, by the following vote of the members thereof:

AYES:

Baughman, Bruce, Hayes, Ratcliffe, Smallman

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

District Secretary

San Lorenzo Valley Water District

#### SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2 (18-19)**

SUBJECT: RELOCATING REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

SCHEDULED TO BE HELD AT THE BOULDER CREEK FIRE

STATION

WHEREAS, California Government Code, Section 54954, establishes that the Board of Directors shall provide the time and place for holding regular meetings; and

WHEREAS, the Board had scheduled regular meetings at the Boulder Creek Fire Station by resolution on December 15, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to relocate the remaining the regular meetings scheduled at the Boulder Creek Fire Station to the SLVWD Boardroom;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District that regular Board of Directors meetings on August 16 and November 15, 2018 will be relocated to the SLVWD Boardroom.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, County of Santa Cruz, State of, California, on the 19th day of July, 2018, by the following vote of the members thereof:

AYES:

Baughman, Bruce, Hayes, Ratcliffe, Smallman

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Holly B. Hossack, District Secretary San Lorenzo Valley Water District

#### SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 3 (18-19)**

SUBJECT: MULTIPLE USER VARIANCE RENEWALS FOR 2018/2019

WHEREAS, the Customer Service Department has completed its annual review of the accounts that have been given a variance from multiple user status as provided in Ordinance 43 and 47; and

WHEREAS, those accounts who qualify for the exemption are charged the 5/8" meter monthly basic fee as a single family dwelling, while those who are multiple users are charged a 1" meter monthly basic service fee; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has reviewed the multiple users variance list and desires to grant approval of a one-year variance from multiple user status;

NOW THERFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District that the accounts listed on the attached multiple user variance list be granted approval of a one-year variance from multiple user status.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, County of Santa Cruz, State of CA, on the 16th day of August, 2018 by the following vote of the members thereof:

AYES:

Baughman, Bruce, Hayes, Ratcliffe, Smallman

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Holly Hossack, District Secretary San Lorenzo Valley Water District

#### SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 4 (18-19)

### SUBJECT: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DISTRICT MANAGER TO SUBMIT USDA LOAN APPLICATION

- WHEREAS, many of the District's capital facilities have reached the end of their design life; and
- WHEREAS, the District has been diligently working on a list of needed capital replacement projects; and
- WHEREAS, the District has secured future revenue to fund needed capital replacement projects through an appropriate rate structure; and
- WHEREAS, the District lacks current reserves to pay for immediate capital replacement needs; and
- WHEREAS, the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) provides low interest loans for rural development, including water capital facilities; and
- WHEREAS, the District has engaged WSC Engineering to develop a three-year list of capital project needs totaling approximately \$9.4M; and

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- WHEREAS, staff is requesting authorization to submit an application prepared with the assistance of WSC for USDA funding of approximately \$9.4M;
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District authorizes the District Manger to submit a loan application to USDA for up to \$9.4M in funding.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, on the 16th day of August, 2018, by the following vote of the members thereof:

AYES:

Baughman, Bruce, Hayes, Ratcliffe, Smallman

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Holly B. Mossack

District Secretary

San Lorenzo Valley Water District

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#### SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 5 (18-19)**

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION TO DETERMINE AND ASSIGN COMPENSATION TO ACTING DISTRICT MANAGER POSITION

WHEREAS, on August 9, 2018 the Board of Directors accepted the resignation of the District Manager, Brian C. Lee; and

WHEREAS, on August 16, 2018 the Board of Directors appointed Director of Operations, Rick Rogers, as Acting District Manager, effective September 4, 5:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, at the time of appointment no salary was set for the Acting District Manager position; and

WHEREAS, the existing salary differential between the Director of Operations and District Manager is 42.83%;

NOW, THERFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District approve a compensation increase of 21.42% for Rick Rogers, Acting District Manager, effective September 4, 5:00 p.m.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, County of Santa Cruz, State of California on the 20<sup>th</sup> or September, 2018 by the following vote of the members thereof:

AYES:

Bruce, Ratcliffe, Baughman, Smallman

NOS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Hayes

Holly B. Hossack, District Secretary San Lorenzo Valley Water District

#### SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 6 (18-19)

SUBJECT: AGREEMENT FOR WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS, APN 081-253-25

WHEREAS, Molook Papahn, the owner of APN 081-253-25 generally located at 12600 Highway 9, Boulder Creek desires to install a public fire hydrant, four domestic water services and a fire service; and

WHEREAS, staff has determined that the cost of said installation should be the property owner's responsibility.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District hereby authorizes the District Manager to execute the attached agreement and carry out all necessary actions to fulfill said agreement.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, on the 20th day of September 2018, by the following vote of the members thereof:

AYES:

Bruce, Ratcliffe, Baughman, Smallman

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Hayes

Holly B. Hossack

Secretary of the Board

San Lorenzo Valley Water District

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#### SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 7 (18-19)

#### REVISIONS TO POLICIES AND PROCUEDURES FOR CONDUCTING PROPOSITION 218 PROPERTY-RELATED FEES AND CHARGES PROCEEDINGS

WHEREAS, the San Lorenzo Valley Water District (District) is in the process of initiating a Proposition 218 process regarding sewer fees and charges;

WHEREAS, as part of the proposed Proposition 218 process, the District has reviewed its existing policies and procedures for conducting such proceedings; and

WHEREAS, as a result of this review, District Counsel has recommended minor changes to the District's existing policies and procedures.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, effective September 20, 2018, the San Lorenzo Valley Water District Board of Directors hereby approves and adopts revisions to the District's policies and procedures for conducting Proposition 218 property-related fees and charges proceedings as set forth in Exhibit "A" attached hereto; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the District Manager is hereby authorized and directed to take all action necessary to implement this Resolution, including without limitation making appropriate changes to the District's Policies and Procedures based on the changes set forth in Exhibit "A".

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, on the 20th day of September, 2018 by the following vote of the members thereof:

AYES:

Bruce, Ratcliffe, Baughman, Smallman

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Hayes

Holly Hossack

Secretary of the Board

San Lorenzo Valley Water District

#### Exhibit "A"

# REVISIONS TO POLICIES AND PROCEDURES OF THE SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT ADOPTED BY RESOLUTION 7 (18-19)

Effective 9.20.2018

Amended:

#### ARTICLE V. ELECTIONS AND PUBLIC VOTING

SECTION 5.01 CONDUCTING PROPOSITION 218 PROPERTY- RELATED FEES AND CHARGES PROCEEDINGS

#### Section 5.01 Conducting Proposition 218 Property Related Fees and Charges Proceedings

- (a) Statement of Legislative Intent. It is the Board's intent to adopt procedures for property related fees and charges proceedings which are consistent and in compliance with Articles XIIC and XIID of the California Constitution and, with the Proposition 218 Omnibus Implementation Act (Government Code sections 53750 through 53754). It is not the intent of the Board to vary in any way from the requirements of Articles XIIC and XIID or the Proposition 218 Omnibus Implementation Act.
- (b) Procedures for new or Increased Property Related Fees and Charges. The District shall apply the following procedures for the establishment of new or increased property related fees or charges, such as, for example, increases to water use rates or, changes in the water use rate structures. Said procedures follow the requirements of Article XIID, section 6 of the California Constitution:
  - (i) The District shall identify each parcel upon which new or increased property related fees or charges are proposed for imposition.
  - (ii) The District shall calculate the amount of any proposed property related fees or charges.
  - (iii) The District shall provide written notice by mail of any proposed property related fees or charges to:
    - 1. the record owner(s) of each identified parcel upon which the fees or charges are proposed for imposition and
    - 2. the service account holder of record for each identified parcel upon which the fees or charges are proposed for imposition, if different from the record owner.

- (iv) Such written notice shall contain, as a minimum,
  - the amount of the proposed property related fees or charges to be imposed upon each parcel, and/or the basis upon which the amount of the proposed property related fees or charges were calculated, and
  - 2. the reason(s) for the proposed property related fees or charges, and
  - the date, time and location for a public hearing on the proposed property related fees or charges.
- (c) <u>Notice of Proposed Property Related Fees or Charges.</u> The District shall apply the following procedures to provide property owner(s) with a notice of proposed property related fees or charges.
  - (i) The record owner(s) and property mailing address of record of each parcel upon which new or increased property related fees or charges are proposed may be determined from the last equalized secured property tax assessment roll. If this method is used, and the property tax roll indicates more than one owner at different mailing addresses, notice shall be mailed to each owner.
  - (ii) Said notice shall be mailed at least forty-five (45) calendar days prior to the date set for a public hearing on the proposed property related fees or charges.
  - (iii) The notice provided by this section and in accordance with Article XIID, section 6 of the California Constitution shall supersede and be in lieu of any other statute requiring notice relative to the imposition or increase of any property related fees or charges, including but not limited to the notices required by California Government Code sections 53753(d) and 54954.6.
  - (iv) Failure of any person to receive notice shall not invalidate the proceedings.
  - (v) The cost of providing notice may be included as a cost of the property related fees and charges.
- (d) <u>Public Hearing.</u> The District shall apply the following procedures pursuant to a public hearing for proposed property related fees or charges:
  - The Board shall conduct a public hearing relative to any new or increased of property related fees or charges.
  - (ii) Said public hearing shall be conducted not less than forty-five (45) calendar days after mailing the notice.

- (iii) At the public hearing, the Board shall hear and consider public testimony regarding the proposed property related fees or charges and, shall accept written protests until the close of the public testimony portion of the public hearing.
- (iv) The Board may impose reasonable time limits on both the length of the entire hearing and the length of each speaker's testimony.
- (e) Property Related Fees and Charges Requiring a Protest Vote (NO vote only). The District shall apply the following procedures to protest pursuant to property related fees or charges requiring a protest vote.
  - (i) Upon establishing the date for a public hearing, the Board will appoint an individual or group to act as an impartial arbiter to collect all protest forms that have been properly submitted, present the protest tabulation to the Board, and if necessary, determine the validity of protests received and present a final tabulation. No sitting Board Member may be appointed arbiter.
  - (ii) After the conclusion of the public testimony portion of the public hearing, the arbiter shall tabulate the written protests received, including those received during the public hearing.
  - (iii) If it is not possible to tabulate the written protests on the day of the public hearing, or if additional time is necessary for public testimony, the Board may continue the public hearing to a later date to receive additional testimony, or to finish tabulating the written protests only.
  - (iv) The arbiter shall provide the Board with a final tabulation of written protests if necessary to determine whether there is a majority protest. A final tabulation will not be required if, at the conclusion of the public testimony portion of the hearing, it is manifestly apparent whether or not there is a majority protest.
  - (v) All written protests must be dated, contain a description of the property such as physical address and/or Assessor's Parcel Number, and be signed by the owner or account holder of record.
  - (vi) An account holder of record includes lawful tenants occupying the property and holding an account in good standing with the District for the property in question. The District reserves the right to require that the account holder of record provide proof of lawful tenancy of the property in question. Said proof may include a copy of a legal rental contract or a utility bill other than water or sewer. Other proof of lawful tenancy may be allowed, at the arbiter's discretion. In these proceedings the arbiter's decision regarding lawful tenancy is final.

- (vii) Protests may be made using the form provided by the District. As long as the protest contains all of the specified information it does not need to be on the District-provided form.
- (viii) Only one (1) written protest shall be counted for each individual parcel that receives the property-related service.
- (ix) All written protest are a "public record" as that phrase is defined by the California Public Records Act (Government Code, §6252) and shall be open to public inspection after final tabulation of the written protest.
- (x) After submitting a protest to the District the person who signed the protest may withdraw it by submitting a written statement to the District directing the District to withdraw the protest. Such statement must be received by the District prior to close of the public testimony portion of the public hearing. When protests are tabulated, the District shall segregate withdrawn protests from all other submitted protests. The District shall retain all withdrawn protests and shall indicate on the face of such withdrawn protests that they have been withdrawn.

#### Deleted:

Subsection (f) of Section 5.01 shall be deleted in its entirety.



### **DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY** TO REQUEST DISBURSEMENTS

RESOLUTION OF THE

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

(GOVERNING BODY)

OF THE

### SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

The BOARD OF DIRECTOR	
(GOVERNING BODY)	delegates to the incumberts
n the positions of DISTRICT MAN	and/or
DIRECTOR OF FINANCE & BUSINESS	
(TITLE)	authority to request on
	Andre R. Benghman
Title	President of the Board
Witness <u>Lally B. Lassack</u> Date <u>10/24/2018</u>	PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, on October 18, 2018, by the following vote of its members:  AYES: 5 ABSTAIN:
OPEB Delegation of Authority (1/13)  14	NOES: ABSENT:

### CALIFORNIA EMPLOYERS' RETIREE BENEFIT TRUST PROGRAM ("CERBT")

## AGREEMENT AND ELECTION OF

SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

(NAME OF EMPLOYER)

# TO PREFUND OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS THROUGH Calpers

WHEREAS (1) Government Code Section 22940 establishes in the State Treasury the Annuitants' Health Care Coverage Fund for the prefunding of health care coverage for annuitants (Prefunding Plan); and

WHEREAS (2) The California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS) Board of Administration (Board) has sole and exclusive control and power over the administration and investment of the Prefunding Plan (sometimes also referred to as CERBT), the purposes of which include, but are not limited to (i) receiving contributions from participating employers and establishing separate Employer Prefunding Accounts in the Prefunding Plan for the performance of an essential governmental function (ii) investing contributed amounts and income thereon, if any, in order to receive yield on the funds and (iii) disbursing contributed amounts and income thereon, if any, to pay for costs of administration of the Prefunding Plan and to pay for health care costs or other post-employment benefits in accordance with the terms of participating employers' plans; and

### WHEREAS (3) SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

(NAME OF EMPLOYER)

(Employer) desires to participate in the Prefunding Plan upon the terms and conditions set by the Board and as set forth herein; and

WHEREAS (4) Employer may participate in the Prefunding Plan upon (i) approval by the Board and (ii) filing a duly adopted and executed Agreement and Election to Prefund Other Post-Employment Benefits (Agreement) as provided in the terms and conditions of the Agreement; and

WHEREAS (5) The Prefunding Plan is a trust fund that is intended to perform an essential governmental function within the meaning of Section 115 of the Internal Revenue Code as an agent multiple-employer defined benefit plan as defined in Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statements for Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefit Plans Other Than Pension Plans (OPEB Standards) consisting of an aggregation of single-employer plans, with pooled administrative and investment functions:



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT EMPLOYER HEREBY MAKES THE FOLLOWING REPRESENTATION AND WARRANTY AND THAT THE BOARD AND EMPLOYER AGREE TO THE FOLLOWING TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

#### A. Representation and Warranty

Employer represents and warrants that it is a political subdivision of the State of California or an entity whose income is excluded from gross income under Section 115 (1) of the Internal Revenue Code.

- B. Adoption and Approval of the Agreement; Effective Date; Amendment
- (1) Employer's governing body shall elect to participate in the Prefunding Plan by adopting this Agreement and filing with the CalPERS Board a true and correct original or certified copy of this Agreement as follows:

Filing by mail, send to:

**CalPERS** 

CERBT (OPEB) P.O. Box 1494

Sacramento, CA 95812-1494

Filing in person, deliver to:

CalPERS Mailroom CERBT (OPEB) 400 Q Street

Sacramento, CA 95811

- (2) Upon receipt of the executed Agreement, and after approval by the Board, the Board shall fix an effective date and shall promptly notify Employer of the effective date of the Agreement.
- (3) The terms of this Agreement may be amended only in writing upon the agreement of both CalPERS and Employer, except as otherwise provided herein. Any such amendment or modification to this Agreement shall be adopted and executed in the same manner as required for the Agreement. Upon receipt of the executed amendment or modification, the Board shall fix the effective date of the amendment or modification.
- (4) The Board shall institute such procedures and processes as it deems necessary to administer the Prefunding Plan, to carry out the purposes of this Agreement, and to maintain the tax exempt status of the Prefunding Plan. Employer agrees to follow such procedures and processes.



- C. Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) Cost Reports and Employer Contributions
- (1) Employer shall provide to the Board an OPEB cost report on the basis of the actuarial assumptions and methods prescribed by the Board. Such report shall be for the Board's use in financial reporting, and shall be prepared at least as often as the minimum frequency required by applicable GASB OPEB Standards. This OPEB cost report may be prepared as an actuarial valuation report or, if the employer is qualified under GASB OPEB Standards, may be prepared as an Alternative Measurement Method (AMM) report.
  - (a) Unless qualified under GASB OPEB Standards, to provide an AMM report, Employer shall provide to the Board an actuarial valuation report. Such report shall be for the Board's use in financial reporting, and shall be prepared at least as often as the minimum frequency required by GASB OPEB Standards, and shall be:
    - prepared and signed by a Fellow or Associate of the Society of Actuaries who is also a Member of the American Academy of Actuaries or a person with equivalent qualifications acceptable to the Board;
    - prepared in accordance with generally accepted actuarial practice and GASB OPEB Standards; and,
    - 3) provided to the Board prior to the Board's acceptance of contributions for the valuation period or as otherwise required by the Board.
  - (b) If qualified under GASB OPEB Standards, Employer may provide to the Board an AMM report. Such report shall be for the Board's use in financial reporting, shall be prepared at least as often as the minimum frequency required by GASB OPEB Standards, and shall be:
    - affirmed by Employer's external auditor, or by a Fellow or Associate of the Society of Actuaries who is also a Member of the American Academy of Actuaries or a person with equivalent qualifications acceptable to the Board, to be consistent with the AMM process described in GASB OPEB Standards;
    - 2) prepared in accordance with GASB OPEB Standards; and,
    - provided to the Board prior to the Board's acceptance of contributions for the valuation period or as otherwise required by the Board.
- (2) The Board may reject any OPEB cost report for financial reporting purposes submitted to it, but shall not unreasonably do so. In the event that the Board



determines, in its sole discretion, that the OPEB cost report is not suitable for use in the Board's financial statements or if Employer fails to provide a required OPEB cost report, the Board may obtain, at Employer's expense, an OPEB cost report that meets the Board's financial reporting needs. The Board may recover from Employer the cost of obtaining such OPEB cost report by billing and collecting from Employer or by deducting the amount from Employer's account in the Prefunding Plan.

- (3) Employer shall notify the Board of the amount and time of contributions which contributions shall be made in the manner established by the Board.
- (4) Employer contributions to the Prefunding Plan may be limited to the amount necessary to fully fund Employer's actuarial present value of total projected benefits, as supported by the OPEB cost report for financial reporting purposes acceptable to the Board. As used throughout this document, the meaning of the term "actuarial present value of total projected benefits" is as defined in GASB OPEB Standards. If Employer's contribution causes its assets in the Prefunding Plan to exceed the amount required to fully fund the actuarial present value of total projected benefits, the Board may refuse to accept the contribution.
- (5) No contributions are required. Contributions can be made at any time following the effective date of the Agreement provided that Employer has first complied with the requirements of Paragraph C.
- D. Administration of Accounts, Investments, Allocation of Income
- (1) The Board has established the Prefunding Plan as an agent plan consisting of an aggregation of single-employer plans, with pooled administrative and investment functions, under the terms of which separate accounts are maintained for each employer so that the Employer's assets will provide benefits only under the Employer's post-employment benefit plan(s).
- (2) All Employer contributions and assets attributable to Employer contributions shall be separately accounted for in the Prefunding Plan (Employer's Prefunding Account).
- (3) Employer's Prefunding Account assets may be aggregated with prefunding account assets of other employers and may be co-invested by the Board in any asset classes appropriate for a Section 115 Trust.
- (4) The Board may deduct the costs of administration of the Prefunding Plan from the investment income or Employer's Prefunding Account in a manner determined by the Board.
- (5) Investment income shall be allocated among participating employers and posted to Employer's Prefunding Account as determined by the Board but no less frequently than annually.



(6) If Employer's assets in the Prefunding Plan exceed the amount required to fully fund the actuarial present value of total projected benefits, the Board, in compliance with applicable accounting and legal requirements, may return such excess to Employer.

#### E. Reports and Statements

- (1) Employer shall submit with each contribution a contribution report in the form and containing the information prescribed by the Board.
- (2) The Board shall prepare and provide a statement of Employer's Prefunding Account at least annually reflecting the balance in Employer's Prefunding Account, contributions made during the period and income allocated during the period, and such other information as the Board determines.

#### F. Disbursements

- (1) Employer may receive disbursements not to exceed the annual premium and other costs of post-employment healthcare benefits and other post-employment benefits as defined in GASB OPEB Standards.
- (2) Employer shall notify CalPERS in writing in the manner specified by CalPERS of the persons authorized to request disbursements from the Prefunding Plan on behalf of Employer.
- (3) Employer's request for disbursement shall be in writing signed by Employer's authorized representative, in accordance with procedures established by the Board. The Board may require that Employer certify or otherwise establish that the monies will be used for the purposes of the Prefunding Plan.
- (4) Requests for disbursements that satisfy the requirements of paragraphs (2) and (3) will be processed monthly.
- (5) CalPERS shall not be liable for amounts disbursed in error if it has acted upon the written instruction of an individual authorized by Employer to request disbursements. In the event of any other erroneous disbursement, the extent of CalPERS' liability shall be the actual dollar amount of the disbursement, plus interest at the actual earnings rate but not less than zero.
- (6) No disbursement shall be made from the Prefunding Plan which exceeds the balance in Employer's Prefunding Account.

#### G. Costs of Administration

Employer shall pay its share of the costs of administration of the Prefunding Plan, as determined by the Board.



- H. Termination of Employer Participation in Prefunding Plan
- (1) The Board may terminate Employer's participation in the Prefunding Plan if:
  - (a) Employer gives written notice to the Board of its election to terminate;
  - (b) The Board finds that Employer fails to satisfy the terms and conditions of this Agreement or of the Board's rules or regulations.
- (2) If Employer's participation in the Prefunding Plan terminates for any of the foregoing reasons, all assets in Employer's Prefunding Account shall remain in the Prefunding Plan, except as otherwise provided below, and shall continue to be invested and accrue income as provided in Paragraph D.
- (3) After Employer's participation in the Prefunding Plan terminates, Employer may not make contributions to the Prefunding Plan.
- (4) After Employer's participation in the Prefunding Plan terminates, disbursements from Employer's Prefunding Account may continue upon Employer's instruction or otherwise in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.
- (5) After the Employer's participation in the Prefunding Plan terminates, the governing body of the Employer may request either:
  - (a) A trustee to trustee transfer of the assets in Employer's Prefunding Account; provided that the Board shall have no obligation to make such transfer unless the Board determines that the transfer will satisfy applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code, other law and accounting standards, and the Board's fiduciary duties. If the Board determines that the transfer will satisfy these requirements, the Board shall then have one hundred fifty (150) days from the date of such determination to effect the transfer. The amount to be transferred shall be the amount in the Employer's Prefunding Account as of the date of the transfer (the "transfer date") and shall include investment earnings up to an investment earnings allocation date preceding the transfer date. In no event shall the investment earnings allocation date precede the transfer date by more than 150 days.
  - (b) A disbursement of the assets in Employer's Prefunding Account; provided that the Board shall have no obligation to make such disbursement unless the Board determines that, in compliance with the Internal Revenue Code, other law and accounting standards, and the Board's fiduciary duties, all of Employer's obligations for payment of post-employment health care benefits and other post-employment benefits and reasonable administrative costs of the Board have been satisfied. If the Board determines that the disbursement will satisfy these requirements, the



Board shall then have one hundred fifty (150) days from the date of such determination to effect the disbursement. The amount to be disbursed shall be the amount in the Employer's Prefunding Account as of the date of the disbursement (the "disbursement date") and shall include investment earnings up to an investment earnings allocation date preceding the disbursement date. In no event shall the investment earnings allocation date precede the disbursement date by more than 150 days.

- (6) After Employer's participation in the Prefunding Plan terminates and at such time that no assets remain in Employer's Prefunding Account, this Agreement shall terminate.
- (7) If, for any reason, the Board terminates the Prefunding Plan, the assets in Employer's Prefunding Account shall be paid to Employer after retention of (i) amounts sufficient to pay post-employment health care benefits and other post-employment benefits to annuitants for current and future annuitants described by the employer's current substantive plan (as that term is used in GASB OPEB Standards), and (ii) amounts sufficient to pay reasonable administrative costs of the Board.
- (8) If Employer ceases to exist but Employer's Prefunding Plan continues to exist and if no provision has been made by Employer for ongoing payments to pay post-employment health care benefits and other post-employment benefits to annuitants for current and future annuitants, the Board is authorized to and shall appoint a third party administrator to carry out Employer's Prefunding Plan. Any and all costs associated with such appointment shall be paid from the assets attributable to contributions by Employer.
- (9) If Employer should breach the representation and warranty set forth in Paragraph A., the Board shall take whatever action it deems necessary to preserve the tax-exempt status of the Prefunding Plan.
- General Provisions
- (1) Books and Records.

Employer shall keep accurate books and records connected with the performance of this Agreement. Employer shall ensure that books and records of subcontractors, suppliers, and other providers shall also be accurately maintained. Such books and records shall be kept in a secure location at the Employer's office(s) and shall be available for inspection and copying by CalPERS and its representatives.

- (2) Audit.
  - (a) During and for three years after the term of this Agreement, Employer shall permit the Bureau of State Audits, CalPERS, and its authorized



representatives, and such consultants and specialists as needed, at all reasonable times during normal business hours to inspect and copy, at the expense of CalPERS, books and records of Employer relating to its performance of this Agreement.

(b) Employer shall be subject to examination and audit by the Bureau of State Audits, CalPERS, and its authorized representatives, and such consultants and specialists as needed, during the term of this Agreement and for three years after final payment under this Agreement. Any examination or audit shall be confined to those matters connected with the performance of this Agreement, including, but not limited to, the costs of administering this Agreement. Employer shall cooperate fully with the Bureau of State Audits, CalPERS, and its authorized representatives, and such consultants and specialists as needed, in connection with any examination or audit. All adjustments, payments, and/or reimbursements determined to be necessary by any examination or audit shall be made promptly by the appropriate party.

#### (3) Notice.

- (a) Any notice, approval, or other communication required or permitted under this Agreement will be given in the English language and will be deemed received as follows:
  - Personal delivery. When personally delivered to the recipient.
     Notice is effective on delivery.
  - First Class Mail. When mailed first class to the last address of the recipient known to the party giving notice. Notice is effective three delivery days after deposit in a United States Postal Service office or mailbox.
  - Certified mail. When mailed certified mail, return receipt requested. Notice is effective on receipt, if delivery is confirmed by a return receipt.
  - Overnight Delivery. When delivered by an overnight delivery service, charges prepaid or charged to the sender's account, Notice is effective on delivery, if delivery is confirmed by the delivery service.
  - 5. Telex or Facsimile Transmission. When sent by telex or fax to the last telex or fax number of the recipient known to the party giving notice. Notice is effective on receipt, provided that (i) a duplicate copy of the notice is promptly given by first-class or certified mail or by overnight delivery, or (ii) the receiving party delivers a written



- confirmation of receipt. Any notice given by telex or fax shall be deemed received on the next business day if it is received after 5:00 p.m. (recipient's time) or on a nonbusiness day.
- 6. E-mail transmission. When sent by e-mail using software that provides unmodifiable proof (i) that the message was sent, (ii) that the message was delivered to the recipient's information processing system, and (iii) of the time and date the message was delivered to the recipient along with a verifiable electronic record of the exact content of the message sent.

Addresses for the purpose of giving notice are as shown in Paragraph B.(1) of this Agreement.

- (b) Any correctly addressed notice that is refused, unclaimed, or undeliverable because of an act or omission of the party to be notified shall be deemed effective as of the first date that said notice was refused, unclaimed, or deemed undeliverable by the postal authorities, messenger or overnight delivery service.
- (c) Any party may change its address, telex, fax number, or e-mail address by giving the other party notice of the change in any manner permitted by this Agreement.
- (d) All notices, requests, demands, amendments, modifications or other communications under this Agreement shall be in writing. Notice shall be sufficient for all such purposes if personally delivered, sent by first class, registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, delivery by courier with receipt of delivery, facsimile transmission with written confirmation of receipt by recipient, or e-mail delivery with verifiable and unmodifiable proof of content and time and date of sending by sender and delivery to recipient. Notice is effective on confirmed receipt by recipient or 3 business days after sending, whichever is sooner.

#### (4) Survival

All representations, warranties, and covenants contained in this Agreement, or in any instrument, certificate, exhibit, or other writing intended by the parties to be a part of their Agreement shall survive the termination of this Agreement until such time as all amounts in Employer's Prefunding Account have been disbursed.

#### (5) Waiver

No waiver of a breach, failure of any condition, or any right or remedy contained in or granted by the provisions of this Agreement shall be effective unless it is in writing and



signed by the party waiving the breach, failure, right, or remedy. No waiver of any breach, failure, right, or remedy shall be deemed a waiver of any other breach, failure, right, or remedy, whether or not similar, nor shall any waiver constitute a continuing waiver unless the writing so specifies.

#### (6) Necessary Acts, Further Assurances

The parties shall at their own cost and expense execute and deliver such further documents and instruments and shall take such other actions as may be reasonably required or appropriate to evidence or carry out the intent and purposes of this Agreement.

A majority vote of Employer's Governing Body at a public meeting held on the 18TH
day of the month of OCTOBER in the year 2018 , authorized entering
into this Agreement.
Signature of the Presiding Officer: X Churle R. Bunghman
Printed Name of the Presiding Officer: Charles R. Baughman
Name of Governing Body: Board of Directors
Name of Employer: San Lovenzo Valley Water District
Date: 10/24/2019
BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM
BY
ARNITA PAIGE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM
To be completed by CalPERS
The effective date of this Agreement is:



# San Lorenzo Valley Water District Resolution to Ratify the Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement Creating the Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 9 (18-19)**

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors ("Board") of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District ("SLVWD") entered into that certain Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement dated June 1, 2017 by and among the Scotts Valley Water District, the SLVWD and the County of Santa Cruz creating the Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency ("JPA Agreement").

WHEREAS, under Agenda Item 13(b) at SLVWD's special Board meeting on May 25, 2017, Board President Gene Ratcliffe was authorized to sign the JPA Agreement;

WHEREAS, another member of the SLVWD's Board, Vice President Chuck Baughman, signed the JPA Agreement on behalf of SLVWD;

WHEREAS, SLVWD desires to accept Chuck Baughman's signature as the valid, proper and authorized signature on behalf of SLVWD, and to ratify and confirm the JPA Agreement as of its effective date.

NOW THEREFORE be it resolved by the Board of Directors of the SLVWD:

RESOLVED, that Vice President Chuck Baughman's signature shall be accepted as the valid, proper and authorized signature on behalf of SLVWD on the JPA Agreement.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the JPA Agreement is hereby ratified and confirmed by SLVWD as of its effective date, and shall remain in full force and effect in accordance with its original terms and provisions.

Passed and adopted this 15th day of November, 2018 by the following roll call vote:

AYES,

Hayes, Smallman, Ratcliffe, Baughman, Bruce

NOES,

ABSENT,

**ABSTAIN** 

Approved

Roard President SI VWI

Attest:

Secretary of the Board, SLVWD

#### SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 10 (18-19)

SUBJECT: LOMPICO RADIO SURVEY AND PATH STUDY, SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT

WHEREAS, in June 2016 the District consolidated with Lompico County Water District; and

WHEREAS, as part of the consolidation Lompico customers are participating in several capital replacement projects including replacement of the Supervisorial Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) equipment as outlined in the Assessment District No. 2016-1 Engineering Report; and

WHEREAS, to integrate Lompico water system to the District's main SCADA system new equipment is needed requiring a Radio Survey and Path Study; and

WHEREAS, Emerson Process Management Power & Water Solutions, Inc. is the District's main SCADA provider and is proprietary and has presented a proposal to do the Radio Survey and Path Study; and

WHEREAS, District Rules and Regulations, Article XIV, Section 14.07(a) Waiver of Provisions, allows the Board of Directors to waive formal bidding procedures;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors that the Board approves sole source procurement by a four-fifths vote and authorizes the District Manager to enter into a contract with Emerson Process Management Power & Water Solutions, Inc. to perform services in the amount of \$11,009.14.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, on the 15th day of November 2018, by the following vote of the members thereof:

AYES:

Hayes, Smallman, Ratcliffe, Baughman, Bruce

NOES: ABSTAIN: ABSENT:

Holly B. Hossack

Secretary of the Board

San Lorenzo Valley Water District

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# SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 11 (18-19)

WHEREAS, the District is in the process of replacing the Probation Water Tank; and

WHEREAS, as part of the project all SCADA equipment is being replaced; and

WHEREAS, Emerson Process Management Power & Water Solutions, Inc. is the District's main SCADA provider and is proprietary; and

WHEREAS, District Rules and Regulations, Article XIV, Section 14.07 (a) Waiver of Provisions, states "Notwithstanding any other provision of these rules, the Board by four-fifths (4/5) vote may waive as to individual purchases, the competitive bidding requirements"

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Directors waives competitive bidding and authorizes the District Manager to execute an agreement with Emerson Process Management Power & Water Solutions, for Probation Tank SCADA equipment in the amount of \$33,410.00.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, on the 15th day of November 2018, by the following vote of the members thereof:

AYES:

Hayes, Smallman, Ratcliffe, Baughman, Bruce

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Holly B. Hossack

Secretary of the Board

San Lorenzo Valley Water District

# SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 12 (18-19) FIXING AND ADOPTING WASTEWATER RATES AND CHARGES

WHEREAS, starting in 2016 the San Lorenzo Valley Water District (District) engaged the firm of NBS to review the District's water and wastewater rates; and

WHEREAS, the NBS Enterprise Wide Cost of Service Financial Study Final Report, dated November 2016 and adopted by the Board of Directors of District (Board) in January 2017, shows that the District's water and wastewater rates must be updated in order to generate sufficient revenue to cover the District's reasonable cost of providing service to customers within the District; and

WHEREAS, the NBS Focused Water Rate Study Final Report, dated June 2017, proposes and recommends a schedule of water and wastewater rates that satisfies the District's revenue requirement and meets the requirements set forth in Article XIII D, Section 6 of the California Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the District has complied with the procedural requirements imposed by state law including Article XIII D of the Constitution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby adopts and approves the Schedule of Wastewater Rates attached hereto as Exhibit "A"; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Exhibit "A" schedule shall be effective as of December 5, 2108, and the Board hereby directs and authorizes the District staff to implement the Exhibit "A" schedule for all bills delivered after December 5, 2018; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board hereby directs and authorizes the District Manager to take all action necessary to implement this Resolution, including without limitation updating the Schedule of Rates and Charges posted by the District.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, on the 15th day of November, 2018 by the following vote of the members thereof:

AYES:

Hayes, Smallman, Ratcliffe, Baughman, Bruce

NOES: ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Holly Hossack

Secretary of the Board

San Lorenzo Valley Water District

#### Exhibit "A"

## SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT SCHEDULE OF WASTEWATER RATES

Effective 12.5.2018

Wastewater Sewer Rate Schedule	C	current Rate	1000	oposed 2018-19	1400	oposed 2019-20	roposed 2020-21
Projected Increase in Rate Revenue:				20.00%		20.00%	20.00%
Monthly Fixed Service Charge:					1		
Sewer Rate, all customers	\$	149.00	\$	178.80	\$	214.56	\$ 257.47

#### SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 13 (18-19)**

#### SUBJECT: QUAIL HOLLOW/OLYMPIA WELLS REHABILITATION EVALUATION

WHEREAS, the District's Quail Hollow Well 5A and Olympia Well 3 have been losing water production over the past three years; and

WHEREAS, the loss of production may be a result of plugging or declining water levels or a combination of both; and

WHEREAS, an assessment is needed to determine the cause of the reduction in production; and

WHEREAS, District Rules and Regulations, Article XIV, Section 14.07 (a) Waiver of Provisions, states "Notwithstanding any other provision of these rules, the Board by four-fifths (4/5) vote may waive as to individual purchases, the competitive bidding requirements".

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Directors waives competitive bidding and authorizes the District Manager to execute an agreement with Martin B. Feeney Consulting Hydrogeologist for assessment of Quail Hollow Well 5A and Olympia Well 3, and authorize the District Manager to enter into a contract in the amount of \$10,570.00.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, on the 15th day of November 2018, by the following vote of the members thereof:

AYES:

Hayes, Smallman, Ratcliffe, Baughman, Bruce

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Holly B. Hossack

Secretary of the Board

San Lorenzo Valley Water District

#### SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 14 (18-19)**

## A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVING THE SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT DEBT MANAGEMENT POLICY

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District (the "District") recognizes that cost-effective access to the capital markets depends on prudent management of the District's debt program; and

WHEREAS, Government Code section 8855(i) requires any issuer of public debt to provide to California Debt and Investment Advisory Commission (CDIAC) no later than 30 days prior to the sale of any debt issue a report of the proposed issuance (the "Report of Proposed Debt Issuance"), and must certify on the Report of Proposed Debt Issuance that they have adopted local debt policies concerning the use of debt and that the proposed debt issuance is consistent with those policies (the "CDIAC Requirements"); and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to set parameters for issuing debt, managing the debt portfolio and providing guidance to decision makers; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds and determines that adoption of the attached Debt Management Policy (the "Debt Management Policy") will help ensure that debt is issued and managed prudently in order to maintain sound fiscal policy, and is in compliance with the CDIAC Requirements; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District hereby orders and determines as follows:

- **Section 1.** Recitals. The Board hereby specifically finds and declares that each of the recitals set forth above are true and correct and are hereby incorporated in conjunction with the respective staff report.
- **Section 2.** Approval of the Debt Management Policy. This Board hereby declares that the proposed Debt Management Policy attached hereto, is hereby approved as the San Lorenzo Valley Water District Debt Management Policy to be effective November 15, 2018.
- Section 3. Authorization to Manage Debt Issuance Functions. The District Manager, or a designee thereof, is hereby authorized to manage debt issuance functions for the District in accordance with the Debt Management Policy.
- **Section 4. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall take effect from and after the date of its passage and adoption.

The foregoing resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District held on the on the 15th day of November, 2018 by the following vote:

AYES:

Hayes, Smallman, Ratcliffe, Baughman, Bruce

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

APPROVED

Charles Baughman

PRESIDENT

ATTESTED:

Holly B. Hossack

**BOARD SECRETARY** 

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 15 (18-19)**

A RESOLUTION OF THE SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT APPROVING A CONVEYANCE AGREEMENT AND AN INSTALLMENT PURCHASE CONTRACT, MAKING CERTAIN DETERMINATIONS RELATING THERETO; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN OTHER ACTIONS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

WHEREAS, the San Lorenzo Valley Water District (the "District") is a county water agency duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the State of California; and

WHEREAS, the District is authorized by the laws of the State of California to acquire any real or personal property within or outside the District, to hold, manage, occupy, dispose of, convey, and encumber the property, and to create a leasehold interest in the property for the benefit of the District through the execution of installment purchase contracts; and

WHEREAS, the District desires to enter into a Conveyance Agreement between the District and Capital One Public Funding, LLC (the "Lender"), pursuant to which the District will sell the Project to the Lender in return for certain funds, which the District will use to finance construction, acquisitions, and improvements associated with District water storage facilities (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, in order to finance the Project, the District has determined to enter into an Installment Purchase Contract, currently dated as December 1, 2018 (the "Installment Purchase Contract"), between the District and the Lender, pursuant to which the District will repurchase the Project from the Lender; and

WHEREAS, under and pursuant to such Installment Purchase Contract, the District will be obligated to make certain installment payments to the Lender; and

WHEREAS, there have been presented at this meeting forms of the Conveyance Agreement and the Installment Purchase Contract; and

WHEREAS, the District desires to appoint Nossaman LLP, as special counsel ("Special Counsel"), in connection with the financing of the Project; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 450 (Chapter 625 of the 2017-2018 Session of the California Legislature) ("SB 450") requires that the Board of Directors of the District (the "Board") obtain from an underwriter, municipal advisor or private lender and disclose, prior to authorization of the issuance of bonds, including for this purpose debt instruments such as the Installment Purchase Contract, with a term of greater than 13 months, good faith estimates of the following information in a meeting open to the public: (a) the true interest cost of the Installment Purchase Contract, (b) the sum of all fees and charges paid to third parties with respect to the Installment Purchase Contract, (c) the amount of proceeds of the Installment Purchase Contract expected to be received net of the fees and charges paid to third parties and any reserves or

capitalized interest paid or funded with proceeds of the Installment Purchase Contract, and (d) the sum total of all debt service payments on the Installment Purchase Contract calculated to the final maturity of the Installment Purchase Contract plus the fees and charges paid to third parties not paid with the proceeds of the Installment Purchase Contract; and

WHEREAS, in compliance with SB 450, the Board obtained from Municipal Capital Markets Group, Inc. (the "Placement Agent") the required good faith estimates and such estimates are disclosed and set forth on Exhibit A attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, all acts, conditions and things required by the Constitution and laws of the State of California to exist, to have happened and to have been performed precedent to and in connection with the consummation of the financing and refinancing authorized hereby do exist, have happened and have been performed in regular and due time, form and manner as required by law, and the District is now duly authorized and empowered, pursuant to each and every requirement of law, to consummate such financing for the purpose, in the manner and upon the terms herein provided:

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DETERMINED AND ORDERED BY THE SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Recitals. All of the recitals herein contained are true and correct and the Board of Directors so finds.

SECTION 2. Approval of Conveyance Agreement. The form of Conveyance Agreement, currently dated as of December 1, 2018 (the "Conveyance Agreement"), between the District and the Lender, as presented to the District at this meeting, is hereby approved. The President of the Board of Directors, District Manager, the Director of Finance and Business Services, and the District Secretary or any other officers duly designated by the District (collectively, the "Officers") are hereby authorized and directed, for and on behalf of the District, to execute, acknowledge and deliver the Conveyance Agreement, in substantially the form presented to the District at this meeting, with such changes therein as such Officers may require or approve, with the advice and approval of counsel to the District and Nossaman LLP ("Special Counsel"), such approval to be conclusively evidenced by the execution and delivery thereof.

SECTION 3. Approval of Installment Purchase Contract. The form of Installment Purchase Contract as presented to the District at this meeting, is hereby approved. The Officers are hereby authorized and directed, for and on behalf of the District, to execute, acknowledge and deliver the Installment Purchase Contract, in substantially the form presented to the District at this meeting, with such changes therein as such Officers may require or approve, with the advice and approval of counsel to the District and Special Counsel, such approval to be conclusively evidenced by the execution and delivery thereof. In connection therewith, the District approves the execution and delivery of the Installment Purchase Contract, so long as at the time of execution of the Installment Purchase Contract, the maturity does not exceed 20 years, the interest rate with respect to the Installment Payments does not initially exceed 4.15%, and the principal amount does not exceed \$2,000,000.

SECTION 4. Approval of Placement Agent Agreement. The form of Placement Agent Agreement by and between the District and Municipal Capital Markets Group, Inc., as presented to the District at this meeting, is hereby approved. The Officers are hereby authorized and directed, for and on behalf of the District, to execute, acknowledge and deliver the Placement Agent Agreement, in substantially the form presented to the District at this meeting, with such changes therein as such Officers may require or approve, with the advice and approval of counsel to the District and Special Counsel, such approval to be conclusively evidenced by the execution and delivery thereof.

SECTION 5. SB 450 Information. In accordance with SB 450, good faith estimates of the following have been obtained from the Placement Agent and are set forth on Exhibit A attached hereto: (a) the true interest cost of the Installment Purchase Contract, (b) the sum of all fees and charges paid to third parties with respect to the Installment Purchase Contract, (c) the amount of proceeds of the Installment Purchase Contract expected to be received net of the fees and charges paid to third parties and any reserves or capitalized interest paid or funded with proceeds of the Installment Purchase Contract, and (d) the sum total of all debt service payments on the Installment Purchase Contract calculated to the final maturity of the Installment Purchase Contract plus the fees and charges paid to third parties not paid with the proceeds of the Installment Purchase Contract.

SECTION 6. Special Counsel. The Board of Directors hereby appoints the firm of Nossaman LLP, as Special Counsel, in connection with the financing of the Project. The Board of Directors hereby authorizes the District Manager to execute and deliver an agreement with said firm for its respective services. Payment of fees and expenses with respect to such agreement shall be contingent upon the execution of the Installment Purchase Contract.

SECTION 7. Other Acts. The Officers and staff of the District are hereby authorized and directed, jointly and severally, to do any and all things, to execute and deliver any and all documents, including but not limited to a fee agreement, costs of issuance agreement, custodian agreement or other similar agreements, which in consultation with the District's General Counsel and Special Counsel, they may deem necessary or advisable in order to effectuate the purposes of this Resolution, and any and all such actions previously taken by such Officers or staff members are hereby ratified and confirmed.

#### Exhibit A

#### GOOD FAITH ESTIMATES

The following information was obtained from the Placement Agent and is provided in compliance with Senate Bill 450 (Chapter 625 of the 2017-2018 Session of the California Legislature) with respect to the Installment Purchase Contract:

- 1. True Interest Cost of the Installment Purchase Contract. A good faith estimate of the true interest cost of the Installment Purchase Contract, which means the rate necessary to discount the amounts payable on the respective principal and interest payment dates to the purchase price received for Installment Purchase Contract, is 4.15%.
- 2. Finance Charge of the Installment Purchase Contract. A good faith estimate of the District's finance charge of the Installment Purchase Contract, which means the sum of all fees and charges paid to third parties (or costs associated with the Installment Purchase Contract), is \$48,657, including Nossaman's special counsel fee and Municipal Capital Markets Group, Inc.'s placement agent fee. The finance charge is expected to be paid from premium. Payment of the finance charge is contingent upon the closing of the financing.
- 3. Amount of Proceeds to be Received by the District. A good faith estimate of the amount of proceeds expected to be received by the District for sale of the Installment Purchase Contract less the finance charge of the Installment Purchase Contract described in paragraph 2 above, is \$2,000,000.
- 4. Total Payment Amount. A good faith estimate of the total payment amount, which means the sum total of all payments the District will make to pay debt service on the Installment Purchase Contract plus the finance charge of the Installment Purchase Contract described in paragraph 2 above not paid with the proceeds of the Installment Purchase Contract, calculated to the final maturity of the Installment Purchase Contract, is \$2,963,567.49.

SECTION 8. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect upon adoption.

**PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED** at a public noticed meeting of the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District held on November 28, 2018, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:

Smallman, Hayes, Ratcliffe, Baughman, Bruce

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Chairman / Board President

Board Secretary

## SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 16 (18-19)

#### SUBJECT: RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR DIRECTOR BAUGHMAN

WHEREAS, on December 18, 2014 Charles Baughman was sworn in after being elected to the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District; and

WHEREAS, Director Baughman faithfully and continuously served in his capacity as a Board of Director for a period of 4 years, in 2018 as the president of the Board; and

WHEREAS, Director Baughman began working with the District as chair of the Community Outreach Citizen's Advisory Committee where he was instrumental in the District earning a Transparency Certificate of Excellence and improving outreach to the public; and

WHEREAS, Director Baughman was instrumental in setting the District up for a financially viable future to fund capital improvements and build reserves; and

WHEREAS, Director Baughman was dedicated to the proper management and protection of the District's Watershed Property and the environmental health of the entire San Lorenzo River Watershed; and

WHEREAS, Director Baughman was deeply involved in the Santa Margarita Groundwater Management Agency and its formation, serving as one of the District's representative and Vice Chair;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District that Charles Baughman be commended and thanked for his years of dedicated service, that he has the respect of all who have worked with him and that his efforts and dedication will be sorely missed.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2018 by the following vote of the members thereof:

AYES:

Smallman, Bruce, Henry, Swan, Fultz

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Holly B. Hossack, District Secretary San Lorenzo Valley Water District

## SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 17 (18-19)

#### SUBJECT: RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR DIRECTOR RATCLIFFE

WHEREAS, on December 18, 2014 Gene Elizabeth Ratcliffe was sworn in after being elected to the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District; and

WHEREAS, Director Ratcliffe faithfully and continuously served in her capacity as a Board of Director for a period of 4 years, in 2017 as the president of the Board; and

WHEREAS, Director Ratcliffe began working with the District as a member of the Community Outreach Citizen's Advisory Committee where she was instrumental in the District earning a Transparency Certificate of Excellence and improving outreach to the public; and

WHEREAS, Director Ratcliffe was instrumental in setting the District up for a financially viable future to fund capital improvements and build reserves; and

WHEREAS, Director Ratcliffe was dedicated to the proper management and protection of the District's Watershed Property and the environmental health of the entire San Lorenzo River Watershed; and

WHEREAS, Director Ratcliffe was deeply involved in the Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency and its formation, serving as one of the District's representative;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District that Gene Elzabeth Ratcliffe be commended and thanked for her years of dedicated service, that she has the respect of all who have worked with her and that her efforts and dedication will be sorely missed.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2018 by the following vote of the members thereof:

AYES:

Smallman, Bruce, Henry, Swan, Fultz

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Holly B. Hossack, District Secretary San Lorenzo Valley Water District

## SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 18 (18-19)

#### SUBJECT: RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR DIRECTOR HAYES

WHEREAS, on June 21, 2018 John Hayes was sworn in after being appointed to the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District; and

WHEREAS, Director Hayes faithfully served in his capacity as a Board of Director for a period of 5 months; and

WHEREAS, Director Hayes began working with the District as the public member of the Budget and Finance Committee where he was instrumental in ending the Lompico Surcharge; and

WHEREAS, Director Hayes was involved in setting the District up for a financially viable future to fund capital improvements and build reserves; and

WHEREAS, Director Hayes was dedicated to the proper management and the fiscal viability of the District as well as the environmental health of the entire San Lorenzo River Watershed; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District that John Hayes be commended and thanked for his dedicated service, that he has the respect of all who have worked with him and that his efforts and dedication will be sorely missed.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2018 by the following vote of the members thereof:

AYES:

Smallman, Bruce, Henry, Swan, Fultz

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Holly B. Hossack, District Secretary San Lorenzo Valley Water District

#### SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 19 (18-19)

SUBJECT:

SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT SEXUAL HARASSMENT

POLICY 2019

WHEREAS, state and federal laws prohibit sexual harassment; and

WHEREAS, San Lorenzo Valley Water District is committed to ensuring and providing a work place free of sexual harassment; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District have reviewed the San Lorenzo Valley Water District Sexual Harassment Policy for 2019; and

WHEREAS, District Legal Counsel has reviewed the San Lorenzo Valley Water District Sexual Harassment Policy for 2019.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District that the San Lorenzo Valley Water District Sexual Harassment Policy for 2019 is hereby adopted.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the San Lorenzo Valley Water District Sexual Harassment Policy shall be submitted annually to the District Counsel for review and to the Board of Directors for review and adoption in December for subsequent years.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, on the 13th day of December 2018, by the following vote of the members thereof:

AYES:

Smallman, Bruce, Henry, Swan, Fultz

NOES: ABSENT: ABSTAIN:

> Holly B. Hossack District Secretary

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#### SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT SEXUAL HARASSMENT POLICY 2018

Adopted: December 13, 2018 Resolution No. 19 (18-19)

PURPOSE. It is legally mandated by state and federal laws that all employees have a right to work in an environment that is free from all forms of discrimination, including sexual harassment. Sexual harassment is a form of discrimination that is prohibited by Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and California Government Code Section 12940 et. seq. Sexual harassment is a costly form of discrimination that can result in expensive litigation that may result in back pay or punitive damage awards, withdrawal of federal support funds and/or other adverse actions. District employees have a grave responsibility for maintaining high standards of honesty, integrity, impartiality and conduct to assure proper performance of the District's business and the maintenance of confidence of the people it serves. It is the policy of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District that sexual harassment is unacceptable and will not be condoned or tolerated. San Lorenzo Valley Water District is committed to a workplace free of unlawful discrimination and harassment.

**DEFINITION.** Sexual harassment is generally defined as harassment based on sex or of a sexual nature; gender harassment; and harassment based on pregnancy, childbirth, or related medical conditions. The definition of sexual harassment includes many forms of offensive behavior, including harassment of a person of the same gender as the harasser. Sexual harassment may be written, verbal, physical and/or visual.

**EXAMPLES.** Sexual harassment manifests itself in many forms. The following provides a partial list of offensive conduct which would constitute sexual harassment:

- Written communications of a sexual nature, obscene letters, notes and/or invitations (this includes electronic formats).
- Verbal conduct such as making or using derogatory comments, slurs, jokes or epithets.
- Visual conduct such as leering, making sexual gestures, and/or displaying sexually suggestive objects, pictures, cartoons, calendars or posters.
- Physical conduct such as touching, assaulting, impeding and/or blocking movements.
- Sexual comments including graphic, verbal and/or visual commentary about an individual's body.
- Sexually degrading words used to describe an individual.
- Offering employment benefits in exchange for sexual favors (this may include situations where an individual is treated less favorably because others have acquiesced to sexual advances).
- Unwanted sexual advances or propositions (this may include situations which began as reciprocal attractions, but later ceased to be reciprocal).
- Implied, actual and/or threatened retaliation after negative response(s) to sexual advances.
- Implied, actual and/or threatened offering and/or withholding employment benefits in exchange for sexual favors, or if requests for sexual favors are not met.

POLICY PUBLICIZING. All District officers and employees shall be informed of the District's Sexual Harassment Policy and reporting process prior to their need to know. Also, said policy and reporting process shall be readily available to all officers, employees and members of the general public utilizing the District's facilities and services.

All new District officers and employees shall be given a copy of this Sexual Harassment

Policy at the time of appointment or hiring. The contents of this policy shall be discussed with said officers and employees at said times by the responsible managing employee. All employees, at the time of hire, shall be required to sign an acknowledgment of this Sexual Harassment Policy stating that he or she has read the policy and knows its contents, including reporting procedures.

Whenever the Board of Directors adopts revisions to this Sexual Harassment Policy, the District Manager shall promptly distribute a copy of the revised policy to all officers and employees of the District.

At least annually, on or about June 15th of each calendar year, the District Manager shall distribute a copy of this Sexual Harassment Policy to all officers and employees of the District.

SUPERVISORY EMPLOYEE EDUCATION AND TRAINING. In accordance with California Government Code Section 12950.1, all supervisory employees of the District, at a minimum shall be provided no less than two (2) hours of sexual harassment education and training at least once every two (2) years. Solely for the purpose of this policy, supervisory employees shall be defined as individuals having the authority to hire, transfer, suspend, lay off, recall, promote, discharge, assign, reward or discipline other employees, or effectively to recommend said actions. The District Manager shall designate supervisory employees for the purpose of this policy.

REPORTING PROCEDURES. Any officer or employee of the District or member of the public, who feels or believes that they have been or are being harassed by an officer or employee of the District is strongly encouraged to report such incident either verbally or in writing to the District Manager as promptly as feasible after the occurrence. Individuals who report an incident of alleged harassment can do so without fear of reprisal, regardless of the outcome of the report.

- Any supervisory employee who receives, witnesses or becomes aware of an incident of alleged harassment shall immediately report the matter to the District Manager.
- b) Upon receipt of a report of alleged harassment by an officer of the District, the District Manager shall assign the investigation of the alleged misconduct to an outside party.
- c) Upon receipt of a report of alleged harassment by an employee of the District, the District Manager shall promptly conduct a thorough and impartial investigation of the incident. All reports shall be kept confidential to the extent possible. Witnesses to sexual harassment and victims of sexual harassment shall not be retaliated against in any way for making a report or cooperating in an investigation. Any incident of implied, actual and/or threatened retaliation should be reported as set out in this policy. The District Manager may assign the investigation of a report of alleged harassment to an outside party.
- d) In the event the report of alleged harassment involves the District Manger, the incident shall be reported to the President of the Board of Directors. Thereafter, the President of the Board of Directors shall be responsible for processing the investigation and appropriate necessary actions.
- e) Any person who initiates a report of an alleged incident of harassment shall have the right to be accompanied by advocates(s) when discussing the incident. Said person shall be advised of this right prior to the commencement of discussions.
- A written record of any investigation of an alleged incident of harassment shall be maintained.

ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURES. The District's Sexual Harassment Policy shall be enforced by the District Manager unless otherwise stated in this policy. Upon conclusion of the investigation of an alleged incident of harassment, if it has been determined that

harassment has occurred in violation of this policy, the District may impose appropriate disciplinary action up to and including discharge.

- a) Officers and employees of the District who report harassment, and/or individuals cooperating in an investigation of a report of harassment shall be protected thereafter from any form of reprisal and/or retaliation regardless of the outcome of the report.
- b) Officers and employees of the District who knowingly make false reports will be subject to appropriate disciplinary actions.

-END OF POLICY-

# SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 20 (18-19)

SUBJECT: RESPECTFUL WORKPLACE POLICY 2019

WHEREAS, San Lorenzo Valley Water District is committed to creating and sustaining a professional and respectful work and public service environment free from violence, discrimination, and other offensive or degrading conduct; and

WHEREAS, San Lorenzo Valley Water District desires a workplace which promotes and maintains an environment in which all members of the Board of Directors, employees and the public are treated with respect and dignity; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District is charged with the responsibility of establishing policies to guide the District; and

WHEREAS, District Legal Counsel has reviewed the San Lorenzo Valley Water District Respectful Workplace Policy for 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District has reviewed and considered the San Lorenzo Valley Water District Respectful Workplace Policy for 2019;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District that the San Lorenzo Valley Water District Respectful Workplace Policy for 2019 is hereby adopted.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the San Lorenzo Valley Water District Respectful Workplace Policy shall be submitted annually to the District Counsel for review and to the Board of Directors for review and adoption in December for subsequent years.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, on the 13th day of December 2018, by the following vote of the members thereof:

AYES:

Smallman, Bruce, Henry, Swan, Fultz

NOES: ABSENT: ABSTAIN:

Holly B. Hossack

District Secretary

San Lorenzo Valley Water District

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## SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT RESPECTFUL WORKPLACE POLICY 2019

Adopted: December 13, 2018 Resolution No. 20 (18-19)

#### Purpose

The intent of this policy is to provide and establish general guidelines about conduct that is, and is not appropriate in the workplace. San Lorenzo Valley Water District is committed to creating and sustaining a professional and respectful work and public service environment free from violence, discrimination, and other offensive or degrading remarks or conduct. A workplace which promotes and maintains an environment in which all members of the Board of Directors, employees, and the public are treated with respect and dignity. The District acknowledges that this policy cannot possibly predict all situations that might arise. The District also recognizes that conflicts or disagreements may occur. The District expects these issues to be resolved in a manner that contributes to a healthy and productive workplace.

#### Applicability

Maintaining a respectful work environment is a shared responsibility. This policy is applicable to District personnel including regular and temporary employees, volunteers, and Board of Directors.

#### Abusive Customer Behavior

While the District has a strong commitment to customer service, the District does not expect that employees accept verbal abuse from any customer. An employee may request that a supervisor intervene when a customer is abusive, or they may defuse the situation themselves, including if necessary, ending the contact. If there is a concern over the possibility of physical violence, a supervisor should be contacted immediately. When extreme conditions dictate, 911 may be called. Employees should leave the area immediately when violence is imminent unless their duties require them to remain. Employees must notify their supervisor about the incident as soon as possible.

#### Types of Disrespectful Behavior

The following types of behaviors cause a disruption in the workplace and are, in many instances, unlawful.

#### Violent Behavior:

Violent behavior includes the use of physical force, harassment, or intimidation.

#### Discriminatory Behavior:

Discriminatory behavior includes inappropriate remarks about or conduct related to a person's race, color, creed, religion, national origin, disability, sex, marital status, age, sexual orientation, or status with regard to public assistance.

Disruptive and Disrespectful Behavior:

Disruptive and disrespectful behavior is any conduct or behavior that disrupts civility and co-operation in the workplace and interferes with efficient and effective work flow. Disruptive behavior is any behavior in the form of hostile or unwanted conduct, verbal comments, actions or gestures that affect an employee's dignity and psychological or physical integrity. A single serious incident of such behavior that has a lasting harmful effect on an employee may also constitute disruptive and disrespectful behavior. Such behavior may include but is not limited to the following:

- Rudeness, angry outbursts, inappropriate humor, vulgar obscenities, name calling, disrespectful language, or any other behavior regarded as offensive to a reasonable person.
- Abuse of authority where an employee uses authority unreasonably to interfere with another's performance.
- Non-constructive criticism addressed in such a way as to intimidate or undermine confidence.

Disruptive and disrespectful behavior is a serious offense, however it must be distinguished from an employee's legitimate right to:

- Express opinions freely and to support positions whether or not they are in agreement with those of other employees.
- Engage in honest differences of opinion with respect to work related issues that are discussed in appropriate forums.
- Engage in good faith constructive criticism of others.
- Comply with supervisorial responsibilities to address concerns regarding the performance or competence of employees.

It is not possible to anticipate in this policy every example of offensive behavior. Accordingly, employees are encouraged to discuss with their fellow employees and supervisor what is regarded as offensive, taking into account the sensibilities of employees and the possibility of public reaction. Although the standard for how employees treat each other and the general public will be the same throughout the District, there may be differences between work groups about what is appropriate in other circumstances unique to a work group. If an employee is unsure whether a particular behavior is appropriate, the employee should request clarification from their supervisor or the District Manager.

#### Sexual Harassment:

Sexual harassment can consist of a wide range of unwanted and unwelcome sexually

directed behavior such as unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature when:

- Submitting to the conduct is made either explicitly or implicitly a term or condition of an individual's employment; or
- Submitting to or rejecting the conduct is used as the basis for an employment decision affecting an individual's employment; or
- Such conduct has the purpose or result of unreasonably interfering with an individual's work performance or creating an intimidating, hostile or offensive work environment.

Sexual harassment includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Unwelcome or unwanted sexual advances. This means stalking, patting, pinching, brushing up against, hugging, cornering, kissing, fondling or any other similar physical contact considered unacceptable by another individual.
- Verbal or written abuse, kidding, or comments that are sexually-oriented and considered unacceptable by another individual. This includes comments about an individual's body or appearance where such comments go beyond mere courtesy, telling "dirty jokes" or any other tasteless, sexually oriented comments, innuendos or actions that offend others.
- Requests or demands for sexual favors. This includes subtle or obvious expectations, pressures, or requests for any type of sexual favor, along with an implied or specific promise of favorable treatment (or negative consequence) concerning one's current or future job.

#### Employee Response to Disrespectful Workplace Behavior

Employees who believe that disrespectful behavior is occurring are encouraged to deal with the situation in one of the ways listed below. The District encourages the prompt identification and resolution of alleged disrespectful workplace behavior by all involved and affected persons through collaborative efforts, but recognizes that such resolution may be impractical. However, if the allegations involve violent behavior, sexual harassment, or discriminatory behavior, then the employee shall immediately contact their supervisor or the District Manager.

#### Resolution Procedures

Step 1(a). Politely, but firmly, tell whoever is engaging in the disrespectful behavior how

you feel about their actions. Politely request the person to stop the behavior because you feel intimidated, offended, or uncomfortable. If practical, bring a witness with you for this discussion.

Step 1(b). If you fear adverse consequences could result from telling the offender or if the matter is not resolved by direct contact, go to your supervisor or District Manager. The person to whom you speak is responsible for documenting the issues and for giving you a status report on the matter no later than ten (10) business days after your report.

Step I(c). In the case of violent behavior, all employees are required to report the incident immediately to their supervisor, District Manager or Santa Cruz County Sheriff's Department.

Supervisor's Response to Allegations of Disrespectful Workplace Behavior Employees who have a complaint of disrespectful workplace behavior will be taken seriously. In the case of sexual harassment or discriminatory behavior, a supervisor must report the allegations within two (2) business days to the District Manager, who will determine whether an investigation is warranted. A supervisor must act upon such a report even if requested otherwise by the victim. In situations other than sexual harassment and discriminatory behavior, supervisors will use the following guidelines when an allegation is reported:

Step 1. If the nature of the allegations and the wishes of the victim warrant a simple intervention, the supervisor may choose to handle the matter informally. The supervisor may conduct a coaching session with the offender, explaining the impact of his/her actions and requiring that the conduct not reoccur. This approach is particularly appropriate when there is some ambiguity about whether the conduct was disrespectful.

Step 2. If a formal investigation is warranted, the individual alleging a violation of this policy will be interviewed to discuss the nature of the allegations. The person being interviewed may have someone of his/her own choosing present during the interview.

The investigator will obtain the following description of the incident, including date, time and place.

- Corroborating evidence.
  - A list of witnesses.
  - Identification of the offender.

Step 3. The supervisor must notify the District Manager about the allegations.

Step 4. As soon as practical after receiving the written or verbal complaint, the alleged policy violator will be informed of the allegations. The alleged violator will have the opportunity to answer questions and respond to the allegations.

Step 5. After adequate investigation and consultation with the appropriate personnel, a decision will be made regarding whether or not disciplinary action will be taken.

Step 6. The alleged violator and complainant will be advised of the findings and conclusions as soon as practicable.

#### Special Reporting Requirements

When the supervisor is perceived to be the cause of a disrespectful workplace behavior incident, a report will be made directly to the District Manager who will assume the responsibility for investigation and discipline.

If the District Manager is perceived to be the cause of a disrespectful workplace behavior incident, a report will be made directly to the District Counsel who will confer with the Board of Directors regarding appropriate investigation and action.

If a Board Member is perceived to be the cause of a disrespectful workplace behavior incident involving District personnel, the report will be made directly to the District Manager and referred to the District Counsel who will undertake the necessary investigation. The District Counsel will report his/her findings to the Board of Directors, which will take the action it deems appropriate.

Pending completion of the investigation, the District Manager may at his/her discretion take appropriate action to protect the alleged victim, other employees, or citizens.

#### Confidentiality

A person reporting or witnessing a violation of this policy cannot be guaranteed anonymity. The person's name and statements may have to be provided to the alleged offender. All complaints and investigative materials will be contained in a file separate from the involved employees' personnel files. If disciplinary action does result from the investigation, the results of the disciplinary action will then become a part of the employee(s) personnel file(s).

#### Retaliation

Consistent with the terms of applicable statutes and District personnel policies the District may discipline any individual who retaliates against any person who reports alleged violations of this policy. The District may also discipline any individual who retaliates against any participant in an investigation, proceeding or hearing relating to the report of alleged violations. Retaliation includes, but is not limited to, any form of intimidation, reprisal, or harassment.

- END OF POLICY-

#### SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 21 (18-19)

SUBJECT: PERSONNEL SYSTEM RULES AND REGULATIONS 2019

WHEREAS, on December 21, 2017 the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District adopted Resolution No. 15 (17-18); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors determines it is in the public interest to establish and adopt Personnel System Rules and Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the representatives of all employee organizations were consulted in good faith regarding the subject matter of the Personnel System Rules and Regulations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District that the San Lorenzo Valley Water District that the Personnel System Rules and Regulations for the San Lorenzo Valley Water District is hereby approved, a copy of which is incorporated by reference herein and made a part of this Resolution.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Personnel System Rules and Regulations shall be submitted annually to the District Counsel for review and to the Board of Directors for review and adoption at the December meeting for subsequent years.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, on the 13th day of December 2018, by the following vote of the members thereof:

AYES:

Smallman, Bruce, Henry, Swan, Fultz

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Holly B. Hossack

B. Hassack

District Secretary

# SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT PERSONNEL SYSTEM RULES AND REGULATIONS 2018

ADOPTED DECEMBER 13, 2018 RESOLUTION NO. 21 (18-19)

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## SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT PERSONNEL SYSTEM RULES AND REGULATIONS

## SECTION 1-GENERAL PROVISIONS

#### 1.1 General Provisions.

These Personnel System Rules and Regulations of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District are adopted pursuant to District Ordinance No. 99 dated November 16, 2000 and shall be known as the "Personnel System Policy" (hereinafter referred to as "Policy"), and may be cited and referred to herein as such.

## 1.2 Statement of Purpose.

The purpose of this Policy is to provide orderly, equitable and uniform procedures for administration of the personnel system.

## 1.3 Effect of Policy on Past Actions and Obligations.

This Policy which establishes rules and regulations for the administration of the personnel system completely supersedes and cancels all prior practices, policies and agreements whether written or oral, howsoever the same may be expressed, which are contrary to or in conflict with this Policy, including resolutions and ordinances of the Board of Directors, unless expressly stated to the contrary herein or expressly stated within a duly authorized and fully executed collective bargaining agreement by and between the District and a duly recognized employee organization prepared pursuant to the Government Code of the State of California (Section 3500 et. seq.). Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section, this Policy constitutes the complete and entire rules and regulations relative to this subject matter.

## 1.4 Severability.

If any provision, sentence, clause or phrase of this policy or the application of said provision, sentence, clause or phrase to any person or circumstance is for any reason held to be invalid or not in accordance with applicable provisions of Federal, State or local laws or regulation, the remainder of this policy, or the application thereof to persons or circumstances other than those as to which it is held invalid, shall not be affected thereby.

#### 1.5 Effect of Memorandum of Understanding.

Whenever the provisions of this Policy conflict with the provision of a duly authorized and fully executed collective bargaining agreement by and between the District and a duly recognized employee organization pursuant to the Government Code of the State of California (Section 3500 et. seq.), the provisions of the agreement shall prevail.

## 1.6 Fair Employment Practices.

All techniques or procedures used in recruitment and selection of employees shall be designed to measure only the job-related qualifications of applicants. No recruitment or selection technique shall be used which is not justifiably linked to successful job performance. The District Manager shall have the sole authority to make the final determination regarding which recruitment and/or selection techniques will be utilized for any given position or class.

## 1.7 District Manager Authority.

The District Manager shall have the authority to administer this Policy and may delegate any or all of the authorized powers and duties to his/her duly authorized representative(s) or designee(s), or may recommend that such powers and duties be performed under contract. The authority to appoint all officers and employees except those specifically excluded by Ordinance, to remove same and have general control and supervision over same is vested in the District Manager.

## 1.8 Definitions.

As used in this Policy, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:

- a. "Advancement, means a salary increase within the limits of a pay range established for a class.
- b. "Allocation" means the assignment of a single position to its proper class in accordance with the duties performed, and the authority and responsibilities exercised.
- c. "Class" means all positions sufficiently similar in duties, authority, and responsibility, to permit grouping under a common title in the application with equity of common standards of selection, transfer, demotion and salary.

- d. "Competitive Service means all positions of employment in the service of the District except those excluded by the personnel system ordinance.
- e. "Continuous Service" means an employee's length of continuous regular full-time or regular part-time service since their last date of hire, less any adjustments due to lay off, approved leaves of absence without pay or other breaks in service
- f. "Days" means calendar days unless otherwise stated.
- g. "Demotion" means the movement of an employee from one class to another class having a lower maximum base rate of pay.
- h. "Disciplinary Action" means the demotion, discharge, reduction in pay and/or written suspension or reprimand of a regular employee for just cause(s).
- i. "District" means the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, and, where appropriate herein, refers to any duly authorized representative(s) as herein defined.
- j. "District Manager" means the District Manager or his/her duly authorized representative or agent.
- k. "Eligible" means a person whose name is on an employment list.
- 1. Eligible List:
  - (1) "Open Eligible List" means a list of names of persons who have taken an open competitive examination for a class in the competitive service and have qualified.
  - (2) "Promotional Eligible List" means a list of names of persons who have taken a promotional examination for a class in the competitive service and have qualified.
- m. Examination:

- (1) "Open Competitive Examination" means an examination for a particular class which is open to all persons meeting the qualifications for the class.
- (2) "Promotional Examination" means an examination for a particular class which is open only to employees of the District meeting the qualifications for the class.
- (3) "Continuous Examination" means an open competitive examination which is administered periodically and as a result of which names of qualified candidates are placed on an employment list, in order of final scores, for a period of not more than one (1) calendar year.
- n. "Lay-Off means the separation of employees from the active work force due to lack of work or funds, or to the abolition of positions by the Board of Directors for the above reasons or due to organization changes.
- o. "Personnel Ordinance" means District Ordinance No. 99 which created a personnel system for the District.
- p. "Position" means a group of duties and responsibilities in the competitive service requiring the full-time or part-time employment of one person.
- q. "Probationary Period" means a period to be considered an integral part of the examination, recruiting, testing and selection process during which an employee is required to demonstrate fitness for the position to which the employee is appointed by actual performance of the duties of the position.
- r. "Promotion" means the movement of an employee from one class to another class having a higher maximum base rate of pay.
- s. "Provisional Appointment" means an appointment of a person who possesses the minimum qualifications established for a particular class and who has been appointed to a position in that class in the absence of available eligibles. In no instance shall a

provisional appointment exceed one (1) calendar year unless otherwise approved by the District Manager.

- t. "Regular Employee" means an employee in the competitive service who has successfully completed the probationary period and has been retained as hereafter provided in these rules and regulations.
- u. "Re-employment" means the restoration without examination of a former regular employee or probationary employee to a classification in which the employee formerly served and resigned with good standing.
- v. "Reinstatement" means the restoration without examination of a former regular employee or probationary employee to a classification in which the employee formerly served and was laid off or demoted in accordance with the provisions of Section 11.
- w. "Relief of Duty" means the temporary assignment of an employee to a status of leave with pay.
- x. "Separation of Service" means the termination of employment by means of layoff, resignation or discharge.
- y. "Suspension" means the temporary separation from service of an employee without pay for disciplinary purposes.
- z. "Temporary Employee" means an employee who is appointed to a non-regular position for a limited period of time and/or fixed by the duration of a specific project or an employee appointed to fill a position in the competitive service for a limited period of duration not to exceed one (1) calendar year unless otherwise approved by the District Manager.
- aa. "Transfer" means the reassignment of an employee from one position to another position in the same class or in a comparable class.

## SECTION 2-CLASSIFICATION

## 2.1 Preparation of Plan.

The District Manager or a person or agency employed for that purpose, shall ascertain and record the duties and responsibilities of all positions in the competitive service and shall recommend a classification plan for such positions. The classification plan shall consist of classes of positions in the competitive service defined by class specifications, including the title. The classification plan shall be so developed and maintained that all positions substantially similar with respect to duties, responsibilities, authority, and character of work are included within the same class, and that the same schedules of compensation may be made to apply with equity under similar working conditions to all positions in the same class.

## 2.2 Adoption, Amendment and Revision of Plan.

The classification plan shall be adopted by the District Manager and may be amended from time to time. During the process of adoption and consideration of amendment and revision of the classification plan all recognized employee organizations affected shall be advised. Amendments and revisions of the plan may be suggested by any interested party, including any recognized employee organization, and shall be submitted in writing to the District Manager.

## 2.3 Allocation of Positions.

Following adoption of the classification plan and consultation with any recognized employee organization affected, the District Manager shall allocate every position in the competitive service to one of the classes established by the classification plan.

## 2.4 New Positions.

A new position in the competitive service shall not be created until the classification plan has been amended to provide therefore and shall not be filled until an appropriate employment list has been established for such position.

## 2.5 Reclassification.

The District Manager may make periodic studies of the classification plan and make any changes deemed desirable. When the assigned duties and responsibilities of a position have changed

significantly so as to necessitate reclassification, whether new or already created, the position may be reclassified by the District Manager to a more appropriate class. Reclassifications shall not be used for the purpose of avoiding restrictions concerning demotions and promotions, nor to effect a change in salary in the absence of a significant change in assigned duties and responsibilities.

## 2.6 Status of Reclassified Employees.

When occupied position(s) are reclassified pursuant to this Section the incumbent(s) shall be affected as follows:

- a. When the incumbent's status is regular employee, the incumbent(s) shall assume regular employee status in the new classification on such effective date without qualifying tests or probationary period.
- b. When the incumbent's status is probationary employee, the incumbent(s) must successfully serve the remainder of the probationary period to attain regular employee status.

## SECTION3-APPLICATIONS AND APPLICANTS

#### 3.1 Announcement.

All examinations for classes in the competitive service shall be publicly advertised either by posting, by publication, or such other methods as the District Manager deems appropriate. Special recruiting shall be conducted, if necessary, to insure that all segments of the community are aware of the forthcoming examinations. The announcements shall specify the title and pay of the class for which the examination is announced; the nature of the work to be performed; preparation desirable for the performance of the work of the class; the manner of making application; and other pertinent information.

## 3.2 Application Forms.

Applications shall be made in the manner as prescribed on the examination announcements and on such application forms designated by the District. Application forms may require information covering education, training, experience, references and other pertinent information. All applications must be signed by the person applying.

## 3.3 Qualification of Applicants.

All applicants for examination must meet the qualification standards set forth in the announcement.

## 3.4 <u>Disqualification</u>.

The District Manager shall have the authority to disqualify applicants, candidates, or eligibles consistent with the provisions of these rules. The following shall constitute grounds for disqualification of an applicant, candidate or eligible:

- a. Failure to meet any of the requirements or qualifications, as published in the announcement
- b. Fraudulent conduct or false statements by an applicant, or by others with his/her concurrence, on any application or any selection procedure.
- c. Conviction (including pleas of guilty or nolo contendere) of a felony if the District Manager determines that the conviction has a rational relationship to the position for which applicant is made. In making the determination, the District Manager shall consider the duties and responsibilities of the position, the nature of the conviction, and the circumstances surrounding the crime, and the candidate's record since the conviction. Any applicant who is disqualified for employment under this subsection may appeal the determination of disqualification. Such appeal shall be in writing and filed with the District Manager within fourteen (14) calendar days of the date of the notice of disqualification. The District Manager shall hear and determine the appeal within thirty (30) calendar days after it is filed. The determination of the District Manager on the appeal is final.

## 3.5 Notice of Qualification.

All applicants and candidates shall be sent written notice of acceptance or rejection of their application and the results of their examination. Said notice shall be mailed to the address of record on the application filed for the examination.

## SECTION 4-EXAMINATIONS

## 4.1 Examination Process.

The selection techniques used in the examination process shall be impartial and related solely to those subjects which will test fairly the qualifications of candidates and fairly measure the relative capacities of the persons examined to execute the duties and responsibilities of the class to which they seek to be appointed. Examinations shall be designed to provide equal opportunity to all candidates by being based on an analysis of the essential job requirements of the class, covering only factors related to such job requirements. The District Manger shall have the sole authority to make the final determination regarding which test or combination of tests will be utilized in the examination process for any given position or class. Examinations shall consist of job related selection techniques such as, but not necessarily limited to, achievement tests, written tests, performance tests, oral tests, physical agility tests, evaluation of daily work performance, work samples, or any combination of these or other tests. The probationary period shall be considered as a portion of the examination process.

## 4.2 Examination Administration.

The District Manager shall be responsible for the administration and scoring of all selection examinations. The District Manager shall have the sole authority to set minimum qualifying scores for each phase of the selection examination process. Applicants or candidates failing to achieve the qualifying score in any phase of the examination process shall be disqualified from further participation in the examination process. The final score of a candidate shall be based upon the compilation of all examinations in the selection examination process. Two or more candidates with the same final score shall be given the same rank on the eligibility list. The rank following the tie shall be left vacant.

## 4.3 <u>Promotional Examinations.</u>

Promotional examinations may be conducted whenever the needs of the service require. Promotional examinations may include any of the selection techniques mentioned in Section 4.1 of this Policy or any combination thereof. Only regular, probationary, provisional or temporary employees of the District who meet the requirements set forth in the promotional examination announcements may compete in promotional examinations. The District Manager shall have the sole

authority to make the final determination when the services of a promotional examination will be utilized for any given position or class.

#### 4.4 Open Competitive Examinations.

Open competitive examinations may be administered for a single position or class, as the needs of the service require. Names of qualified candidates may be placed on an eligible list, and shall remain on said list, as prescribed in Section 5 of this policy.

#### 4.5 Continuous Examinations.

At the discretion of the District Manager open or promotional continuous examinations may be administered periodically, as the needs of the service require. Names of qualified candidates may be placed on an eligible list in the order of final scores and shall remain on said lists for a period of not more than one (1) year.

#### 4.6 Contract For Examinations.

The District may contract with any competent public or private agency or qualified individual(s) for the preparing and/or administering of examinations. In the absence of such a contract, the District Manager shall see that such duties are performed. The District Manager shall arrange for the use of public buildings and equipment for the conduct of examinations.

## 4.7 Review of Examinations.

All candidates and eligibles shall have the right to inspect their own test answer sheet within seven (7) calendar days after the notifications of examination results. Any error in computation, if called to the attention of the District Manager within this period, shall be corrected. Such corrections shall not, however, require invalidation of appointments previously made.

## SECTION5-ELIGIBLELISTS

## 5.1 Eligible Lists.

As soon as possible after the completion of an examination, the District Manager shall prepare and maintain an eligible list consisting of the names of candidates who qualified in the examination.

#### 5.2 Duration of Lists.

Eligible lists shall become effective on the date certified by the District Manager and shall remain in effect for a period of one (1) calendar year from said date unless exhausted or abolished by the District Manager, whichever occurs first. The District Manager may establish a new eligible list pursuant to the provision of Section 6.3 of this Policy.

#### 5.3 Removal of Names from Lists.

The name of any person appearing on an eligible, reemployment or promotional list shall be removed by the District Manager if the eligible candidate requests in writing that the name be removed or if the eligible candidate fails to respond within seven (7) calendar days to a notice mailed to the last designated address. The person affected shall be notified of the removal of the name by a notice mailed to the last known address. The names of persons on promotional employment lists who resign from the service of the District shall automatically be dropped from such lists.

## **SECTION 6-FILLING OF VACANCIES**

## 6.1 Types of Appointment.

The District Manager may fill a vacancy in the competitive service by transfer, demotion, reinstatement, or re-employment, or from persons from an appropriate eligible list, if available. In the absence of persons eligible for appointment in these ways the District Manager may make a provisional appointment pursuant to Section 6.5 of this Policy. The District Manager may make a temporary appointment pursuant to Section 6.6 of this Policy. All vacancies shall be filled in accordance with the provisions of this Section.

## 6.2 Competitive Service Vacancy.

When a vacancy exists in the competitive service the District Manager shall fill the vacancy in the following order:

- 1) From eligibles on a reinstatement list, if available.
- 2) From eligibles on an existing promotional eligible list, if available.
- 3) Form eligibles on an existing open employment list, if available.
- 4) Announcement and examination process.

## 6.3 Certification of Eligibles.

When a vacancy is to be filled by appointment from an open eligible list or from a promotional eligible list, the District Manager shall certify from the specified list the names of the three (3) most highly qualified candidates available for appointment. If there are fewer than three (3) names available for appointment the District Manager may make an appointment from among such certified eligibles or may establish a new list. When a new list is to be established the District Manager shall conduct a new announcement and examination process.

## 6.4 Appointment.

After interview and inquire, the District Manager shall make appointments from among those certified. The person accepting appointment shall report to the District Manager, or the District Manager's duly designated representative(s), for processing on or before the date of appointment. If the applicant accepts the appointment and reports for duty within the prescribed time the applicant shall be deemed to be appointed; otherwise, the applicant shall be deemed to have declined the appointment.

## 6.5 Provisional Appointment.

In the absence of there being names of individuals willing to accept appointment from appropriate eligible lists, the District Manager may make a provisional appointment of a person meeting the minimum training and experience qualifications for the position. Such an appointment may be made during the period of suspension of an employee or pending final action on proceedings to review suspension, demotion or discharge of an employee. A provisional employee may be removed at any time without cause and without the right of grievance, hearing, or appeal. No provisional appointment shall exceed a time period of one (1) calendar year, unless otherwise approved by the District Manager.

## 6.6 Temporary Appointment.

Temporary appointments may be made by the District Manager to fill a non-regular employment status position for a limited period of time and/or fixed by the duration of a specific project; or to fill a position in the competitive service for a limited period of duration not to exceed on (1) calendar year, unless otherwise approved by the District Manager.

## **SECTION 7- PROBATIONARY PERIOD**

#### 7.1 Probationary Period.

All original and promotional appointments in the competitive service shall be tentative and subject to a probationary period of not less than six (6) calendar months of actual service. The probationary period shall be regarded as part of the examination process and shall be utilized for closely observing the employee's work, the employee's ability to work with other employees, and for securing the most effective adjustment of a new employee to their position. Time spent on leave without pay shall not count toward completion of the probationary period. The probationary period may be extended at the discretion of the District Manager. Extension of the probationary period shall be for appropriate circumstances and for a specific period of time up to and including six (6) months. No such extension shall exceed six (6) additional months, and no further extensions shall be granted. If the service of a probationary employee has been satisfactory said employee shall be certified in writing for regular employee status. Regular employee status shall begin with the day following the expiration date of the probationary period. During the probationary period an employee may be recommended for rejection at any time without cause and without right of grievance, hearing or appeal. The District Manager shall provide all probationary employees with written notification regarding the status of the probation period.

## 7.2 Rejection Following Promotion.

Any employee rejected during the probationary period following a promotional appointment shall be given the opportunity to be reinstated to a position in the class from which the employee was promoted. If there is no vacancy in such position, the employee may request to be placed on a reinstatement list. Such opportunity will not be given if the employee is discharged pursuant to disciplinary action under these rules and regulations.

## **SECTION 8-COMPENSATION**

## 8.1 <u>Preparation of Compensation Schedule.</u>

The District Manager, or a person or agency employed for that purpose, shall prepare a compensation schedule consisting of a schedule of salary ranges allocated to each class in the position classification plan. The compensation schedule shall also include a schedule of hourly wage rates applicable to positions which are not in the competitive service.

## 8.2 Adoption, Amendment and Revision of Compensation Schedule.

The compensation schedule shall be adopted and may be amended or revised from time to time by resolution of the Board of Directors. Amendments or revisions to the compensation schedule may be suggested by any interested party and shall be submitted in writing to the District Manager.

## 8.3 Schedule of Salary Ranges.

The compensation schedule shall be an integrated schedule consisting of seven (7) step salary ranges with a five percent (5%) differential between steps in each range.

# SECTION 9- TRANSFER, PROMOTION, DEMOTION, SUSPENSION AND REINSTATEMENT

#### 9.1 Transfer.

Transfer is defined as the reassignment of an employee from one position to another position in the same or in a comparable class. The District Manager may transfer an employee from one position to another position in the same class or in a comparable class. For transfer purposes, a comparable class is one with the same maximum salary, involves the performance of similar duties, and requires substantially the same basic qualifications. Transfer shall not be used to effectuate a promotion, demotion, advancement, or reduction, each of which may be accomplished only as provided in the personnel ordinance or these rules and regulations. No person shall be transferred to a position for which that person does not possess the minimum qualifications.

## 9.2 Promotion.

Promotion is defined as the movement of an employee from one class to another class having a higher maximum base rate of pay. Insofar as consistent with the best interests of the District all vacancies in the competitive service may be filled by promotion from within the competitive service, after a promotional examination has been given and a promotional list established.

The District Manger may fill a vacancy in the competitive service by an open competitive examination instead of promotional examination, in which event the District Manger shall arrange for an open competitive examination and for the preparation and certification of an open competitive eligible list.

#### 9.3 Demotion.

Demotion is defined as the movement of an employee from one class to another class having a lower maximum base rate of pay. The District Manager may demote an employee for disciplinary purposes in accordance with Section 10 of this Policy. In addition, upon written request of an employee, and with written approval of the District Manager a voluntary non-disciplinary demotion may be made to a vacant position. No employee shall be demoted to a position who does not possess the minimum qualifications.

## 9.4 Suspension.

The District Manager may suspend an employee from a position for a disciplinary purpose in accordance with Section 10 of this policy. Suspension without pay shall not exceed thirty (30) calendar days.

## 9.5 Re-employment.

With approval of the District Manager, a regular employee who has resigned with good standing may be re-employed within one (1) year of the effective date of resignation, to a vacant position in the same or comparable class. Upon re-employment, the employee may be subject to the probationary period prescribed for the class. No credit for former employment shall be granted in computing salary, annual leave, or other benefits except on the specific recommendation of the District Manager at time of re-employment.

## SECTION 10- DISCIPLINARY ACTION

## 10.1 Policy.

Prior to demotion, discharge, reduction in pay, reprimand or suspension of a regular employment status employee for disciplinary purposes, the District Manager shall comply with the procedures set forth in this Policy.

## 10.2 Notification of Disciplinary Action.

The District Manager may take disciplinary action for just cause against any employee who has completed their probationary period by notifying the employee of the action in writing. Employees who have not completed their probationary period pursuant to Section 7 of this Policy may be terminated at any time for any cause, without prior notice and without right of grievance, hearing or appeal. Notification of intended disciplinary action must be in writing and served on the employee in person or by registered mail at least seventy-two (72) hours prior to the effective date of the intended disciplinary action, except in an emergency situation. The notice must be included in the employee's personnel file, and shall include:

- a. Nature of Action. A statement of the nature of the disciplinary action. Disciplinary action is defined as demotion, discharge, reduction in pay, letters of reprimand and/or suspension.
- b. Effective Date. The effective date of action, which shall be at least seventy-two (72) hours after notice of intended discipline, is served on the employee, except in an emergency situation.
- c. Basis for Action. A statement in ordinary and concise language of the act or the omissions upon which the disciplinary action is based.
- d. Representation. A statement that any employee may be represented by any representative of the employee's choosing relative to disciplinary action. The employee shall provide written notice to the District Manager relative to designated representation.
- e. Entitlement to Meet with District Manager. A statement that the employee has the right to respond orally or in writing to the charges prior to said disciplinary action being taken. The employee shall advise the District Manager of the request for a meeting within seventy-two (72) hours after receiving the notice. If, at the employee's option, there is no meeting, the District Manager shall advise the employee in writing within five (5) calendar days after the seventy-two (72) hour period expires, of his/her decision regarding the intended disciplinary action.

## 10.3 Employee Review.

The employee shall be given an opportunity to review the documents or materials upon which the proposed disciplinary action is based, and, if practicable, the employee shall be supplied with a copy of the documents.

# 10.4 Relief of Duty.

Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section, the District Manager may approve the temporary assignment of an employee to a status of leave with pay pending conduct or completion of such investigations or opportunity to respond as may be required to determine if disciplinary action is to be taken.

# **SECTION 11 -LAYOFF POLICY AND PROCEDURE**

### 11.1 Statement of Intent.

The District shall have the sole right and authority to determine when it is necessary to abolish any position(s) or employment in the interest of economy or efficiency, changes in duties or organization or any other reasons determined to be in the best interest of governmental operations. The Board of Directors may abolish any position(s) or employment for the purposes stated herein and the District Manger shall have the authority to layoff, demote or transfer the employee(s) holding such position(s) or employment pursuant to this Section without disciplinary action and without right of grievance, hearing or appeal.

# 11.2 Notification.

Employees to be laid off or displaced pursuant to this Section shall be given, whenever possible, at least thirty (30) calendar days prior written notice.

# 11.3 OrderofSeparation.

Layoffs and/or reductions in employment shall be made by classification. A classification is defined as a position or number of positions having the same title, job description and salary. Whenever in the judgment of the District layoffs and/or a reduction in employment are deemed necessary, the order of layoff within the affected layoff classification(s) shall be as follows:

- (a) Temporary employees;
- (b) Provisional employees;
- (c) Part time employees;
- (d) Probationary employees; and

(e) In the event of further layoff(s) or reduction in employment, employees will be laid off from the affected classification(s) in accordance with seniority pursuant to this Section.

### 11.4 Demotion Procedures Due to Reduction in Force.

Except as otherwise provided pursuant to this Section, whenever there are layoffs or reductions in employment, the District Manger shall first demote to a vacancy if any, in the same or lower classification in the same class series which the employee(s) who are scheduled for layoff meet the minimum employment standards. Employees with the least seniority pursuant to Section 11.7 shall be demoted first. All employees demoted pursuant to this Section shall have their names placed on the classification reinstatement eligible list.

# 11.5 <u>Displacement Due to Reduction in Force.</u>

Displacement is defined as the movement in layoff(s) or reduction(s) in employment of an employee to an equal or lower classification (as determined by maximum base rate of pay) on the basis of seniority. An employee cannot displace to a higher classification. Any employee in the competitive service affected by layoff(s) or reduction(s) in employment shall have the right to displace an employee who has less seniority in the same classification or in a lower classification in the same class series. Any employee displaced pursuant to the Section if applicable may in the same manner displace another employee within the same classification or in a lower classification in the same class series.

# 11.6 <u>Displacement Procedures</u>.

In order to exercise displacement rights, an employee must have more seniority than at least one of the incumbent employees in the retreat classification(s) and request displacement action in writing to the District Manager within seven (7) calendar days of receipt of notice of layoff or reduction of employment. Employees who exercise displacement rights and retreat to an equal or lower classification shall be placed at the salary step representing the least loss of pay. In no case shall the salary be increased above that received in the classification from which the employee was laid off. Employees who retreat to a lower classification in the same class series shall serve a probationary period pursuant to Section 7.1 of this Policy unless they have previously successfully completed a probationary period for said classification.

# 11.7 Seniority for Purpose of Reduction in Force.

For the purpose of this Section seniority shall be defined as an employee's length of continuous regular full time service and/or part time service (pro-rated) at or above the classification level where layoff is to occur. If the above factor is equal, the date regular employment status with the District is achieved shall be determinative. If the foregoing factor is equal, the employee's position on the eligible list shall be determinative.

### 11.8 Reinstatement List.

The names of persons laid off or demoted in accordance with provisions of this Section shall be entered upon a reinstatement list. Lists from different departments or at different times for the same class of position shall be combined into a single list. The District Manager shall use such list when a vacancy arises in the same or lower classification in the same series before certification is made from an eligible list. Names shall be placed on reinstatement lists in order of their seniority in the classification with the highest seniority in the class being at the top of the reinstatement list.

# 11.9 Duration of Reinstatement List.

Names of persons laid off or demoted shall be carried on a reinstatement list for a period of one (1) calendar year, except that persons appointed to permanent positions of the same level as that which laid off, shall, upon such appointment, be dropped from the list. Persons who refuse reinstatement shall be dropped from the list. Persons reinstated in a lower class, or on a temporary basis, shall be continued on the reinstatement list for the higher position for the one (I) year period.

# SECTION 12-SEPARATION FROM SERVICE

# 12.1 Discharge.

An employee in the competitive service may be discharged at any time by the District Manager. Disciplinary discharge action shall be in accordance with Section 10 of this policy.

# 12.2 Resignation.

An employee wishing to leave the competitive service in good standing shall file with the District Manager a written resignation stating the effective date and reasons for leaving at least fourteen (14) calendar days before leaving the service, unless such time limit is waived by the District Manager.

# SECTION 13-ADMINISTRATIVE LEAVES, REPORTS AND RECORDS

### 13.1 Attendance.

Employees shall be in attendance at their work in accordance with the rules regarding hours of work, holidays, and leaves. All departments shall keep daily attendance records of employees which shall be reported to the District Manager in the form and on the dates so specified.

# 13.2 Military Leave.

Military leave and regulations for payment pertaining thereto shall be in accordance with the provisions of the Military and Veterans Code of the State of California.

### 13.3 Leave of Absence Without Pay.

The District Manager, at his/her sole discretion, may grant a regular or probationary employee a leave of absence without pay for a period of time not to exceed six (6) months. No such leave of absence without pay shall be granted except upon written request of the employee setting forth the reason for the request, and the written approval of the District Manager. Upon expiration of an approved leave of absence without pay, the employee shall be reinstated in the position held at the time leave was granted.

# 13.4 Failure to Return.

Any employee who fails to return to duty at the time specified on application of authorized annual, sick, maternity, or other leaves of absence shall be considered to have resigned from service with the District in the absence of evidence of extenuating circumstances.

# 13.5 Jury Duty.

Every employee in the competitive service of the District who is called or required to serve as a trial juror, upon notification and appropriate verification submitted to his/her supervisor, shall be entitled to be absent from his/her duties with the District during the period of such service or while necessarily being present in court as a result of such call.

The employee's normal pay shall be lowered by the amount of pay received for jury duty.

# 13.6 Personnel Records.

The District Manager shall maintain a service or personnel record for each employee in the service of the District showing the name, title of position held, the department to which assigned, salary, changes in employment status and such other information as maybe considered pertinent by the District Manager.

# 13.7 Change of Status Report.

Every appointment, transfer, promotion, demotion, change of salary rate, or any other temporary or permanent change in status of an employee shall be reported in writing to the employee by the District Manager in such manner as he/she may prescribe.

# **SECTION 14-MISCELLANEOUS**

# 14.1 Safety.

All employees of the District shall be responsible for following the general safety guidelines of the District, as well as any additional safety regulations which are defined by the employees' work area or position. Any variance or refusal to comply with these guidelines shall result in disciplinary action up to, and including, discharge, in accordance with these rules and regulations.

# 14.2 <u>Identification Cards, Badges, or Insignia</u>.

No employee in the service of the District who uses an identification card, badge, or insignia as either evidence of the employee's position or authority shall allow it to be used by any other individual nor shall the employee use it in any way to advance a private interest. All identification cards, badges, or insignia issued by the District shall be turned in to the District Manger upon change of status within the competitive service or termination of employment.

# SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 22 (18-19)

SUBJECT: BOARD POLICY MANUAL 2019

WHEREAS, on December 9, 2015 the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District adopted Resolution No. 26 (15-16) Board of Directors Policy Manual 2016; and

WHEREAS, Section 27 of said Policy Manual states the specific Board of Directors Policy Manual will be adopted by Resolution of the Board of Directors annually; and

WHEREAS, the proper functioning of the District Board and Board Meetings is critical to proper functioning of the District; and

WHEREAS, an adopted set of rules and procedures assist in the proper functioning of the Board; and

WHEREAS, each Board Member, individually, agrees with the Policy Manual as a whole and agrees to follow said Policy Manual;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District that the Board adopts and approves the 2019 San Lorenzo Valley Water District Board of Directors Policy Manual.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, on the 13th day of December 2018, by the following vote of the members thereof:

AYES:

Smallman, Bruce, Henry, Swan, Fultz

NOES: ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Holly B. Hossack District Secretary

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# SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT



# **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**POLICY MANUAL 2019

**ADOPTED** 

**December 13, 2018** 

**RESOLUTION NO. 22 (18-19)** 

# MODIFICATIONS TO POLICY MANUAL SINCE LAST FULL BOARD APPROVAL

- RESOLUTION NO. 26 (15-16) 2016 Board Policy Manual, approved by the full (December 9, 2015)
  - RESOLUTION NO. 39 (15-16) Repeal and Replacement of Section 13 of the District's 2015
     Board Policy Manual to Include a Lompico Oversight Committee (May 19, 2016)

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### MISSION STATEMENT

"Our mission is to provide our customers and all future generations with reliable, safe and high quality water at an equitable price; to create and maintain outstanding customer service; to manage and protect the environmental health of the aquifers and watersheds; and to ensure the fiscal vitality of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District".

Adopted by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District on June 2, 2000.

The mission of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District will be accomplished through the implementation of the following objectives:

**OBJECTIVE I: STAFFING** 

Provide an efficient and adequate staff of employees and consultants, dedicated to the District mission and responsive to the Board. Provide staff and consultants with proper resources.

### **OBJECTIVE II; COMMUNICATIONS**

Establish and maintain an environment that encourages the open exchange of ideas and information between Board members, staff and the public that is positive, honest, concise, understandable, responsive and cost-efficient.

### OBJECTIVE III; EDUCATION

Develop and maintain comprehension and competence regarding issues that come before the Board of Directors and Staff. Ensure the District's customers are informed regarding the benefits of safe operations, proper claims procedures, District operations and conservation.

### AUTHORITY OF BOARD

A) The Board of Directors shall act only at regular, regularly adjourned, or special meetings, as provided by State Law.

- B) Individual Directors shall have no power to act for the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, or the Board of Directors, or to direct District staff, except as authorized by the Board of Directors.
- C) Until a quorum is present there can be no meeting of the Board of Directors. The presence of a minimum of 3 Board members is required to constitute a quorum of the Board of Directors.

### CODE OF ETHICS AND CONDUCT

The Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District is committed to providing excellence in legislative leadership that results in providing the highest quality services to its constituents. The Board of Directors is expected to maintain the highest ethical standards, to follow District policies and regulation, and to abide by all applicable local, state and federal laws. Board of Directors conduct should enhance the integrity and goals of the District. In order to assist in the governing of behavior between and among members of the Board of Directors, the following rules shall be observed:

- A) The dignity, style, values and opinions of each Director shall be respected.
- B) Responsiveness and attentive listening in communications is encouraged.
- C) The needs of the District's constituents shall be the priority of the Board of Directors.
- D) The primary responsibility of the Board of Directors is the formulation and evaluation of policy. Routine matters concerning the operational aspects of the District are to be delegated to staff members of the District.
- E) Directors should commit themselves to emphasizing the positive.
- F) Directors should commit themselves to focusing on issues and not personalities. The presentation of the opinions of others should be encouraged.
- G) Differing viewpoints are healthy in the decision-making process. Individual Directors have the right to disagree with ideas and opinions, but without being disagreeable. Once the Board of Directors takes action, Directors should commit to supporting said action and not to creating barriers to the implementation of said action.
- H) Directors should practice the following procedures:
  - In seeking clarification on informational items, Directors may directly approach the District Manager to obtain information needed to supplement, upgrade, or enhance their knowledge to improve legislative decision-making.

- In handling complaints or inquiries from residents and property owners of the District, said complaints should be referred to the District Manager and may be followed up by the Board of Directors.
- In handling items related to safety concerns, hazards should be reported to the District Manager. Emergency situations should be dealt with immediately by seeking appropriate assistance.
- In seeking clarification for policy-related concerns, especially those involving personnel, legal action, land acquisition, sale or development, finance, and programming, said concerns should be referred directly to the District Manager.
- When approached by District personnel concerning specific District policy, Directors should direct inquiries to the District Manager.
- J) The work of the District is a team effort. All individuals should work together in the collaborative process, assisting each other in conducting the affairs of the District.
- K) When responding to constituent requests and concerns at board meetings, the Board President's discretion determines the amount of time for comments. Specific questions or concerns will be directed to the District Manager for future action by the Board or staff. Directors should be courteous, responding to individuals in a positive manner and routing their questions through appropriate channels and to responsible management personnel.
  - Directors should develop a working relationship with the District Manager wherein current issues, concerns and District projects can be discussed comfortably and openly.
- M) Directors should function as a part of the whole. Issues should be brought to the attention of the Board of Directors as a whole, rather than to individual members selectively.
- (N) Members' interaction with public, press or other entities must recognize the limitation of any Board member to speak for the Board except to repeat explicitly stated Board decisions, while respecting the right of Board members to express individual opinions.
- Directors are responsible for monitoring the District's progress in attaining its goals and objectives, while pursuing its mission.
- P) The Board will further inform itself, individually and collectively, through ongoing outreach to determine community wishes and through continuing education on issues relevant to the District.
- Continual Board development will include orientation of new Board members in the Board's governance process and periodic Board discussion of process improvement.

### 4. ETHICS TRAINING

Pursuant to California Government Code section 53234 et seq. or as amended, all Directors shall receive two (2) hours of training in general ethics principles and ethics laws relevant to public service within one (1) year of election or appointment to the Board of Directors, and at least once every two (2) years thereafter. All ethics training shall be provided by entities whose curriculum has been approved by the California Attorney General and the Fair Political Practices Commission. The District Manager and any other employee(s) of the District designated by the Board of Directors shall also receive the ethics training specified herein. The District shall maintain records indicating the name of the entity that provided the training and the dates ethics training was completed. Records shall be maintained for a period of at least five (5) years after the date on which the training was received. These records are public records subject to disclosure under the California Public Records Act.

### GOVERNING LAWS

The Board of Directors shall comply with and shall be guided by applicable provisions of Federal laws; State laws, including the Water Code, Government Code, Section 1090 of the Government Code, Elections Code and Public Resources Code; this Policy Manual, and the rules and regulations of the District as established by the motions, resolutions and ordinances enacted by the Board of Directors. Motions, resolutions and ordinances may be enacted by the Board in accordance with Water Code section 30523 or as amended.

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

There shall be two (2) officers: a president and a vice president, who shall be members of the District Board of Directors. Election of officers shall be held at the second (2nd) Board of Directors meeting in December of each calendar year. Officers will serve for a one (1) year term. Elections will conform to the applicable provisions of this Policy Manual.

### 7. ROLE OF THE BOARD POWERS, DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS

### A) POWERS

The Board of Directors is responsible for the establishment of policy and general control of the District. This broad authority shall be exercised in accordance with all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations. The Board of Directors may execute any powers delegated by law to the District, and shall discharge any duty imposed by law upon the District.

The enabling codes established by the California State Legislature empowers the Board of Directors to have broad authority and flexibility in carrying out financial programs and activities which meet its individual needs, provided these programs or activities are not in conflict with, inconsistent with, or preempted by law.

### B) DUTIES

The primary duties of the Board of Directors are as follows:

- Take action at legal meetings.
- 2. Establish and periodically review written policies for District operation and administration.
- 3. Be responsible for all District finances.
  - a. Approve fiscal budget.
  - b. Monitor the budget spending.
- 4. Set rates, fees and charges for District services.
- Personnel
  - a. Hire and discharge General Manager and Legal Counsel.
  - b. Annually evaluate the General Manager and Legal Counsel.
- 6. Establish written policy on how Board of Director's Meetings are conducted.
- 7. Review and revise the Master Plan for the District.
- 8. Ratify committee appointments made by the President.
- 9. Establish Director compensation limits.

### C) FUNCTIONS

The powers and duties of the Board of Directors include governance, executive and quasi-judicial functions. These relate to the Board's own operations as a governing body and to all functions of the District.

### GOVERNANCE FUNCTIONS

To fulfill its responsibility, the Board is committed to establishing policies to govern District activities. The Board of Directors shall consider and approve or disapprove matters submitted to it by a Director, Staff or the public. The Board of Directors shall prescribe rules for its own governance which are consistent with its "enabling code" or by Federal or State Laws and regulations.

### EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONS

The Board of Directors is authorized to delegate any of its powers and duties to an officer or employee of the District. The Board of Directors; however, retains ultimate responsibility over the performance of those powers or duties so delegated.

### QUASI-JUDICIAL FUNCTIONS

The Board of Directors desires that public complaints be resolved at the lowest possible administrative level. The method of resolving public complaints shall be as follows:

- a. The individual with a complaint shall first discuss the matter with the District Manager. If this individual registering the complaint is not satisfied with the disposition of the complaint by the District Manager, said complaint may be filed with the Board of Directors.
- b. The Board of Directors may consider the matter at a subsequent regular meeting or call a special meeting. The Board of Directors will expeditiously resolve the matter.
- c. This policy in no way prohibits or intends to deter a member of the public from appearing before the Board of Directors to present a verbal complaint or statement in regards to actions of the Board of Directors, District programs or services, or impending considerations of the Board of Directors.

### ROLE OF INDIVIDUAL DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors is the unit of authority for the District. Apart from their normal function as a part of this unit, individual Directors may not commit the District to any policy, act or expenditure unless duly authorized by the Board of Directors. Nor may an individual Director direct staff to perform specific duties unless duly authorized by the Board of Directors. Directors do not represent any factional segment of the constituency, but are, rather, a part of the body which represents and acts for the constituency as a whole.

A) Each Director has the right to place an item on a subsequent Board of Directors Meeting. The deadline for submittal of an agenda item by a Director shall be the preceding Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. before the scheduled Board of Directors meeting date at the office of the District Secretary. Agenda item requests received after the submittal deadline for a specific agenda will be added to the next following regularly scheduled agenda.

- B) Directors will make every effort to attend assigned Board of Directors and Committee meetings:
  - 1. To prepare adequately for each such meeting;
  - 2. To observe the rules of decorum as set forth herein; and
  - Whenever any individual Directors will be absent or late for a Board of Directors or Committee meeting said Director shall notify the District Secretary or Board President at the earliest opportunity.
- C) When requesting information from staff, Directors shall contact the District Manager. When responding to constituent requests and concerns, Directors should reroute such inquiries to the District Manager.
- D) Each Director shall decide individually on what contact information will be released by District staff to the general public. In order to accomplish this in an orderly and consistent manner, each Director shall provide the District Secretary with a completed and signed Director Contact Authorization Form. Directors shall be responsible for any and all updates and amendments to said Director Contact Authorization Form.

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

A) REGULAR TIME AND PLACE OF MEETINGS

Regularly scheduled meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held, third (3rd) Thursday of each month at 6:00 pm; at the District Operations Building, 13057 Highway 9, Boulder Creek, CA, unless otherwise specified by action of the Board of Directors. Special meetings of the Board of Directors, as that term or its successor terms are defined within the meaning of the Ralph M. Brown Act (California Government Code section 54950 et seq.), may be duly authorized and held as deemed necessary by the President or a majority of the Board of Directors. Notice and location of special meetings shall be as prescribed by law. Emergency meetings of the Board of Directors, as that term or its successor terms are defined within the meaning of the Ralph M. Brown Act, may be duly authorized and held as deemed necessary only by a majority of the Board of Directors. Notice and location of emergency meetings shall be as prescribed by law.

B) PUBLIC NATURE OF MEETINGS

All meetings of the Board of Directors shall be open to the public, except when the Board is convened in Closed Session as authorized under provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act (California Government Code section 54950 et seq.).

### C) QUORUM AND VOTING REQUIREMENTS

The presence of three (3) or more Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of District business. No ordinance, resolution or motion shall be passed by the Board of Directors without a majority vote of the Board, unless otherwise required or prescribed by State law. (See for example, Government Code section 54954.2, Board Policy Manual subparagraph K, below.)

### D) BOARD ACTION

The Board of Directors shall act only by ordinance, resolution, or motion. Except where action is taken by the unanimous vote of all Directors present and voting, the ayes and noes shall be taken upon the passage of all ordinances, resolutions or motions and shall be entered in the minutes. An ordinance does not require two readings at separate meetings unless otherwise prescribed by law. Unless otherwise provided by its own terms, all ordinances, resolutions and motions shall become effective upon adoption. Any member of the Board of Directors, including the President, can make a motion. Motions require seconds. The President may vote on all motions unless disqualified or abstaining. The President shall not call for a vote on any motion until sufficient time has been allowed to permit any and all members of the Board of Directors to speak. Complex motions should generally be prepared in writing and read aloud to the members of the Board of Directors at the time the motion is made. If a motion is not in writing, and if it is necessary for full understanding of the matter before the Board of Directors, the President shall restate the question prior to the vote. Common motions may be stated in abbreviated form, and will be put into complete form in the minutes. Until the President states the question, the maker may modify their motion or withdraw it completely. However, after the President has stated the question, the motion may be changed only by a motion to amend which is passed by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

The President of the Board may at any time, during debate or otherwise, declare a recess. Declaration of a recess shall not be subject to any motions.

### E) PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURES

Unless otherwise inconsistent with any provision stated herein, Parliamentary Procedure for Board of Directors meetings shall be based upon the current edition of Sturgis Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure. No action of the Board of Directors shall be deemed invalid for the reason that said action was not in conformance with Sturgis Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure.

### F) ROUTINE BUSINESS

Matters of routine business such as approval of the minutes and approval of minor matters may be expedited by assuming unanimous consent of the members of the Board of Directors and having the President state that without objection the matter will stand approved. Should any Director object to such unanimous consent, the President shall then call for a vote.

### G) ORDERLY DISCUSSION

In order to promote discussion of the issues before the Board of Directors, each Director shall be recognized by the chair before speaking. Notwithstanding any

provision of this Policy, however, each Director shall have a right to be heard within reason on any issue before the Board of Directors. Each Director may seek information or comment by the staff on any question.

### H) CLOSED SESSION

Except as provided by law, all proceedings in Closed Sessions shall remain confidential.

### MEETING AGENDAS

The District Manager, in consultation with the Board President, shall be responsible for the preparation of a written agenda for each regular meeting and/or special meeting of the Board of Directors as those terms or its successor terms are defined by the Ralph M. Brown Act (California Government Code section 54950 et seq.). The District Manager and the Board President shall meet, annually, in January of each calendar year to identify recurring items of business which should be placed on written agendas at appropriate times during the coming year. The District Manager, in consultation with the President, shall be responsible for the preparation of a written agenda for each regular meeting and/or special meeting of "other legislative bodies," of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, as those terms or its successor terms are defined by the Ralph M. Brown Act. Any Director may request that an item be placed on the agenda for a regular meeting of the Board of Directors. The District Secretary shall be responsible for the posting of the appropriate notice and agenda for all meetings of the Board of Directors and/or "other legislative bodies."

A copy of the agenda for each regular meeting of the Board of Directors shall be forwarded to each Board member, at least three (3) days in advance of each regular meeting, together with copies of all applicable supporting documentation; minutes to be approved; staff report; and other available documents pertinent to the meeting. Directors shall review agenda materials before each meeting. Individual directors may confer directly with the District Manager to request additional information on the agenda items.

### J) ORDER OF BUSINESS

As a practice for normal business. The Board President may rearrange this order at any time.

- Convene Meeting, Roll Call.
- Additions and Deletions to Agenda.
- Oral Communications Related to Closed Session
- Adjournment to Closed Session.
- Reconvene to Open Session at 7:00 PM (time-certain).
- Report Actions Taken in Closed Session.
- Additions and Deletions to Agenda.
- 8. Oral Communications.
- Written Communications.
- Consent Agenda.
- Unfinished Business.
- New Business.

- General Manager Reports.
  - Manager Reports.
  - b. Committee/Director Reports.
- Informational Material.
- 15. (If applicable) Adjournment to Closed Session.
- (If applicable) Reconvene to Open Session to Report Actions Taken in Closed Session.
- 17. Adjournment

### K) ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO AGENDA

Additions to the Agenda, if any, shall be made in accordance with California Government Code Section 54954.2 or as amended (Ralph M. Brown Act), which includes, but is not limited to, additions for which the need to take action is declared to have arisen after the agenda was posted, as determined by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors. If less than two-thirds of the members are present a unanimous vote of those members present is required.

### L) ORAL COMMUNICATION

The Board of Directors encourages public participation. The Oral Communications portion of the agenda is reserved for citizen communication on matters not otherwise on the agenda. Any person may address the Board of Directors on any subject that lies within the jurisdiction of the District during this portion of the agenda. Unless otherwise altered by the President or presiding officer, individual citizen communication during the Oral Communication portion of the agenda shall not exceed three (3) minutes in length and individuals may only speak once. The Ralph M. Brown Act (Section 54954.3 or as amended) prohibits any action being taken by the Board of Directors on any Oral Communications presented; however, the Board of Directors may request that the matter be placed on a future agenda. Each person addressing the Board of Directors shall be requested to give his or her name and address for the record, and designate the subject matter. Citizens may also address the Board of Directors on specific agenda items, including those on the consent agenda, only after first obtaining recognition by the President or presiding officer. Participation by interested citizens on specific agenda items is subject to orderly procedure, including time limits and decorum established under the authority of the President or presiding officer and applicable law.

All communications by interested citizens, whether during Oral Communications, or other items on the agenda, shall be addressed to the Board of Directors as a single body and not to individual Board members, staff or members of the audience. No person other than the Board of Directors and the person having the floor shall be permitted to enter into discussion, either directly or through a director, without the permission of the President or presiding officer. No member of the public shall approach the Board of Directors table while the Board is in session unless granted permission by the President or presiding officer. Proper decorum must be observed by Directors, staff, speakers and the audience. The President or presiding officer shall preserve order and decorum, discourage personal attacks, and confine debate to the question under discussion. The President or presiding

officer, or a majority of the board, may eject from a meeting any person who becomes disorderly, abusive, or disruptive, or who fails or refuses to obey a ruling of the president regarding a matter of order or procedure. The President shall rule out of order any irrelevant, repetitive or disruptive comments. No cell phone operation or audible pager use is allowed in the Board of Directors chambers.

### M) CONSENT AGENDA

The purpose of a consent agenda is to minimize the time required for the handling of any non-controversial matters. Consent agenda items are considered to be routine and non-controversial, with documentation provided to the Board of Directors that is adequate and sufficient for approval without inquiry or discussion. Any item on the consent agenda will be moved to the regular agenda upon request from individual Directors or a member of the public. Unless moved to the regular agenda, the consent agenda shall be voted upon as one single item without discussion or debate.

### N) STUDY SESSIONS

Study sessions or workshop meetings are for the purpose of discussing an item(s) that may come before the Board at a later time for official action, to facilitate planning, or discussion of special topics of interest. Study sessions provide a more informal forum for the Board of Directors, staff and the public to engage in openended discussion and share information on a particular subject(s). No formal action(s) can be taken at a study session; direction can be given to staff regarding preparation of an agenda item for discussion and possible action at a subsequent meeting. From time to time, study sessions may be duly authorized as deemed necessary by the President or a majority of the Board.

### O) WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE

The Written Correspondence portion of the agenda is established to act as a report of written materials received by the Board as a whole, but may also include items requested for inclusion by individual Directors or members of the public. Written Communications which require no official actions by the Board of Directors may be listed only by title and date received, and not presented in its entirety. Written Correspondence not presented in its entirety will be maintained by the District Secretary for a period of two (2) years.

### TECHNOLOGICAL CONFERENCING

Teleconferencing may be used for all purposes in connection with any meeting within the subject matter jurisdiction of any legislative body of the District. Teleconferencing is defined as a meeting of a legislative body of the District, the members of which are in different locations, connected by electronic means, through either audio or video, or both. If a legislative body of the District elects to use teleconferencing, it shall comply with all applicable requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act (Section 54953, or as amended.)

### 11. PRESIDENT

### A) DUTIES

The President shall sit as presiding officer and conduct all meetings of the Board of Directors, shall carry out the resolution and orders of the Board of Directors and shall exercise such other powers and perform such other duties as the Board of Directors shall prescribe; including the following:

- Call the meeting to order at the appointed time.
- 2. Announce the business to come before the Board of Directors in its proper order.
- 3. Enforce the Board of Directors policies and rules with respect to the order of business and the conduct of meetings.
- Recognize persons who desire to speak, and protect the speaker who has the floor from disturbance or interference.
- Explain what the effect of a motion would be if it is not clear to every member of the Board of Directors.
- 6. Restrict discussion to the question when a motion is before the Board of Directors.
- 7. Rule on parliamentary procedure.
- 8. Put motions to a vote, and state clearly the results of the vote.

### B) RESPONSIBILITIES

The President shall have all the rights to discuss and vote on any issues before the Board of Directors. The President shall have the following responsibilities:

- Sign all instruments, acts, and carry out stated requirements and the will of the Board of Directors.
- Consult with the District Manager on the preparation of the Board of Directors agendas. In addition, any Director shall have the right to place any matter on the agenda for any meeting in accordance with the provisions of this policy.
- 3. Appoint and disband all committees, subject to Board of Directors approval.
- Call such meetings of the Board of Directors as they may deem necessary, giving notice as prescribed by law.
- Confer with the District Manager and/or District Counsel on matters which may occur between Board of Directors meetings.
- Be responsible for the orderly conduct of all Board of Directors meetings.
- Act as spokesperson for the Board of Directors.

- 8. Coordinate and prepare the Board of Directors annual evaluation of the General Manager and Legal Counsel.
- 9. Other duties as authorized by the Board of Directors.

### 12. VICE-PRESIDENT

When the President resigns or is absent or disabled, the Vice President shall perform the President's duties. When the President disqualifies himself/herself from participating in an agenda item, the Vice-President shall perform the duties of the presiding officer.

### 13. MINUTES

Minutes of all regularly scheduled Board of Directors meetings will be audio recorded. Said audio record shall be subject to inspection in accordance with State Laws, including the California Public Records Act.

### 14. COMMITTEES

The Board shall organize committees that are advisory to the Board with regard to matters within their respective areas of responsibility.

The five District standing committees are as follows: Administrative, Budget & Finance, Environmental, Engineering/Planning and Lompico Oversight. Each standing committee shall have no power or authority to commit the District or to take any action on behalf of the Board of Directors. Standing Committees shall hold meetings at such times as deemed necessary by consensus of the committee members. Committees are encouraged to meet at least monthly.

Committee meetings shall be held in accordance with the provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act. In order to promote attendance by Directors at Committee meetings without inadvertently creating a violation of the Ralph M. Brown Act, Directors that are not members of a committee may attend as observers, but shall not participate at the Committee's meeting.

Committee appointments will be reviewed by the full Board at the 2nd Board of Director's meeting in December of each Calendar Year, or as soon thereafter as practical. Applications to serve as a Public Member will be available at the District's Office or on-line at the District's website (<a href="www.slvwd.com">www.slvwd.com</a>). Public Member Applications will be reviewed by the full Board. Each committee member shall be appointed by a simple majority vote of the Board.

Administrative, Budget & Finance, Environmental, Engineering/Planning Committees may have no more than two Board Members and no more than one Public Member. During the appointment discussion each Director may present a public member to serve on each committee; Administrative, Budget & Finance, Environmental/Engineering/Planning Committees. If more than one public member is presented to serve on an individual committee, the full Board shall vote to determine which public member shall be seated on that committee for the year.

The Lompico Oversight Committee may have no more than five Public Members. Public members serving on the Lompico Oversight Committee shall have a residential mailing address within Assessment District 2016-1.

Members of the committees serve at the pleasure of the Board. Each committee shall designate their own chairperson. For the Administrative, Budget & Finance, Environmental, and Engineering/Planning Committees the chairperson shall be a member of the Board. Each committee may elect a vice-chairperson. Members of committees, including the chairperson and vice-chairperson shall serve until their successors are appointed. The chairperson of a committee is its presiding officer and shall be responsible for communicating the recommendation of the committee to the Board. In the absence of the chairperson, the vice-chairperson shall perform the duties of the chairperson. The chairperson and vice-chairperson are not deprived of any of the rights and privileges of a committee member by reason of being the presiding officer.

A majority of the members of each committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Only members of the committee are entitled to make, second or vote on any motion or other action of the committee. Each committee member shall be entitled to one vote on all matters considered by the committee. A simple majority vote of the members of the Committee shall designate approval of a motion.

During the first regular meeting after January 1<sup>st</sup> of each year, each Committee shall review the District's current Strategic Plan and identify Strategic Plan Elements pertaining to said Committee. The Committee's findings regarding such Strategic Plan review shall be reported back to the Board at the next available regular Board Meeting for discussion and to allow the Board to provide direction back to the committees regarding completion of identified Strategic Plan Elements.

During the first regular meeting after January 1<sup>st</sup> of each year, each Committee shall prepare a multi-month forward looking calendar of items to be discussed by said Committee. Said calendar shall be no less than a three month look-ahead. Each Committee chairperson shall maintain said look-ahead calendar and submit same to the Board on a monthly basis.

The committee Chairperson shall record summary minutes of each committee meeting. The minutes of each committee meeting and any recommendation of a committee shall include a summary of the information presented.

All committee member absences will be considered by the majority of the committee members to determine whether or not the absence is without cause. Sickness, jury duty, vacation and/or bereavement will be considered excused absences. When three meetings in a row or a total of six meetings in one calendar year are missed the remaining committee members will consider removal of the individual from the committee. The removal must be voted upon and approved by the majority of the committee members with the exception of the committee member in question.

Vacancies shall be reported to the full Board as soon as practically possible. Vacancies shall be filled by simple majority vote of the Board.

Committee Members shall comply with the obligations and responsibilities of office including the obligation to comply with the disclosure requirements of the Political Reform Act (Form 700). The reporting categories made applicable to the Directors by San Lorenzo Valley Water District's local conflict of code shall apply to the members of the committee members.

All committee communications must go through the designated committee chairperson.

A committee has jurisdiction to consider and make a recommendation to staff, other committees and to the Board regarding any item of business within the responsibility of the committee. Committee recommendations shall be communicated to the Board. A committee may consider other matters referred to it by the Board.

The Board may refer a recommendation back to any committee for reevaluation whenever the Board deems additional evaluation is required.

Each Standing Committee shall, as a minimum, be responsible for the following:

### Administrative Committee

The Committee shall be responsible for matters of internal and external administrative matters including: communications, staffing and staff support; District's data gap grant programs; interagency relations; codes and policies, pending State and Federal legislation; and other administrative programs.

### **Budget and Finance Committee**

The Committee shall be responsible for the review of District finances including: rates, fees, charges and other sources of revenue; budget and reserves; audit; investments; insurance; and other financial matters.

### **Environmental Committee**

The Committee shall be responsible to review matters of stewardship of the District's property including: Urban Water Management Plans; Water Conservation Programs; Classic Watershed Education Grants; Watershed Management; Resource Management; and other environmental related matters.

### Engineering/ Planning Committee

The Committee shall be responsible to review matters of design, construction, replacement, and repair of the District facilities including: The Capital Improvement Program; Master Plans; and other engineering / operational and planning related matters.

### Lompico Assessment District Oversight Committee

The Committee shall be responsible to review matters of revenue and expenses directly related to Assessment District 2016-1.

### 15. MEETING STIPENDS

Each Director may receive compensation as established by resolution of the Board of Directors. Pursuant to California Water Code section 30507, each Director may receive compensation in an amount not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per day for each day's attendance at meetings of the Board, or for each day's service rendered as a Director by request or approval of the Board, not to exceed six hundred dollars (\$600.00) in any

calendar month.

Consistent with California Water Code section 30507, by resolution of the Board of Directors, the District has established the following per day (daily meeting stipend) for each day's attendance at meetings, as defined herein. Such compensation is in addition to any approved reimbursement for meals, lodging, travel and other expenses consistent with the policies stated herein.

- a) To be entitled to a daily meeting stipend of one hundred dollars (\$100.00), the event in question must constitute one of the following:
  - A meeting of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District Board of Directors within the meaning of California Government Code section 54952(a); or
  - Any meeting attended or service provided on a given day at the formal request of the District Board of Directors, and for which the Board at a public meeting approved payment of a daily meeting stipend.
- b) To be entitled to a daily meeting stipend of twenty five dollars (\$25.00), the event in question must be a meeting of a designated District standing committee within the meaning of California Government Code section 54952(b). Only Directors appointed to the District standing committees shall be entitled to said daily meeting stipend.

# 16. TRAINING, EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS, CONFERECENCES AND MEETINGS

The Board of Directors has determined that the following provisions shall be applicable to Director training, educational programs, conferences and meetings:

- A) Directors are encouraged to attend educational conferences and professional meetings when the purposes of such activities are to improve District operation. Directors may attend, on behalf of the District, such training, educational programs, conferences and meetings as have been approved by the Board of Directors.
- B) It is the policy of the District to encourage Board development and excellence of performance by reimbursing necessary and reasonable expenses incurred for tuition, travel, lodging and meals as a result of training, educational courses, participation with professional organizations, and attendance at local, state and national conferences associated with the interests of the District. Cash advances or use of District credit cards for these purposes is not permitted. All reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses shall be pursuant to District policy on expenditure reimbursement as stated herein.
- C) Attendance by Directors at seminars, workshops, courses, professional organization meetings, and conferences etc. shall be approved by the Board of Directors at a public meeting prior to incurring any authorized reimbursable costs.
- D) The District Manager or designee is responsible for making arrangements for Directors for conference and registration expenses, and for per diem. Per Diem,

when appropriate, shall include reimbursement of expenses for meals, lodging, and travel. All expenses for which reimbursement is requested by Directors, or which are billed to the District by Directors, shall be submitted to the District Manager, together with validated receipts.

- E) To conserve District resources and keep Directors' reimbursement expenses for training, educational programs, conferences and meetings within community standards for public officials, reimbursement expenditures should adhere to the following guidelines. Expenses to the District for Board of Directors' training, education programs, conferences and meetings should be kept to a minimum by:
  - Utilizing hotel(s) recommended by the event sponsor in order to obtain discounted rates.
  - Traveling together whenever feasible and economically beneficial.
  - Requesting reservations sufficiently in advance, when possible, to obtain discounted air fares and hotel rates.
- F) A Director shall not attend a conference or training event for which there is an expense to the District if it occurs after the Director has announced a pending resignation, or if it occurs after an election in which it has been determined that a Director will not retain a seat on the Board. A Director shall not attend a conference or training event when it is apparent that there is no significant benefit to the District.
- G) Whenever a Director who has not previously attended a particular conference or educational program is available to attend same, that Director shall have preference for attendance over a Director who has previously attended the same program.
- H) Upon returning from seminars, workshops, conferences, etc., where expenses are reimbursed by the District, Directors will either prepare a written report for distribution to the Board, or make a verbal report during the next regular meeting of the Board. The report shall detail what was learned at the session(s) that will be of benefit to the District. Materials from the session(s) may be delivered to the District office to be included in the District library for the future use of other Directors and staff.
- Nothing in this policy shall permit the conduct of business in violation of the Ralph
   Brown Act when more than three (3) Directors attend the same event.

### 17. EXPENDITURE REIMBURSEMENT

Lorenzo Valley Water District Board of Directors may be reimbursed for expenditures related to approved District business. The District shall adhere to California Government Code sections 53232 through 53232.4 or as amended when dealing with issues of expenditure reimbursements for Directors. This policy shall apply to all members of the Board of Directors, and is intended to result in no personal gain or loss to a Director.

Directors may be reimbursed for out-of-pocket expenditure(s) relative to reasonable and necessary costs associated with appropriate District business. The Board of Directors must provide approval for said District business at a public meeting prior to incurring any authorized reimbursement costs.

Directors are eligible to receive reimbursements for travel, meals, lodging, and other reasonable and necessary expenses associated with approved District business. Reimbursement rates shall coincide with guidelines established herein, or rates set by Internal Revenue Service Publication 1542 or its successor publication(s), whichever are greater.

If lodging is in connection with a prior approved event, such lodging costs shall not exceed the maximum group rate published by the conference or activity sponsor. If the published group rate is unavailable, Directors shall be reimbursed for comparable lodging at government or IRS rates.

If travel is in connection with a prior approved event, the most economical mode and class of transportation reasonably consistent with scheduling needs must be used, using the most direct and time-efficient route. Directors shall use government or group rates offered by the event provider of transportation when available. If the group rate is unavailable, Directors shall be reimbursed for comparable travel at government or IRS rates.

Directors shall submit their requests for reimbursement on a form approved by the District Manager. The reimbursement form shall include an explanation of the District-related purpose for the expenditure(s). Receipts documenting all expenditure are required to be submitted in conjunction with the expense report form. Failure to submit necessary receipts will result in denial of the reimbursement claim. Expense reports shall be submitted within a reasonable time, and at no time more than fourteen (14) calendar days after incurring the expense. The District Manager will review and approve reimbursement requests.

Any and all expenses that do not fall within the adopted travel reimbursement policy or the IRS reimbursable rates are required to be approved by the Board of Directors in a public meeting prior to the expense(s) being incurred. Expenses that do not adhere to the adopted travel reimbursement policy or the IRS reimbursable rates, and that do not receive prior approval from the Board of Directors in a public meeting prior to the expense being incurred, shall not be eligible for reimbursement.

State law provides criminal penalties for misuse of public resources, which includes falsification of expense reports. Penalties include fines, imprisonment, and restitution.

### PERSONNEL POLICIES

### A) PERSONNEL SYSTEM RULES AND REGULATIONS

San Lorenzo Valley Water District is committed to the provision of an orderly, equitable and uniform personnel system. The Board of Directors by resolution shall establish written rules and regulations for the administration of the personnel system. Personnel system rules and regulations shall be reviewed at the second (2nd) Board of Directors meeting in December of each calendar year or as soon thereafter as reasonable.

### B) SEXUAL HARASSMENT

The San Lorenzo Valley Water District is committed to creating and maintaining a work environment free of objectionable and disrespectful conduct and/or communication of a sexual nature and prohibits sexual harassment by all employees and the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors by resolution shall establish a written policy and procedure manual relative to sexual harassment. The District's sexual harassment policy shall be reviewed at the second (2nd) Board of Directors meeting in December of each calendar year or as soon thereafter as reasonable.

Conduct which creates an intimidating, hostile or offensive work environment will not be tolerated. Verbal behavior, physical behavior, gestures and other non-verbal behavior which create said environment will not be tolerated. Any employee or member of the public who feel that they have been or are being harassed by a Director is strongly encouraged to immediately report such incident to the District Manager without fear of reprisal regardless of the outcome of the complaint. The District Manager shall assign the investigation of the alleged misconduct to an outside party such as an attorney or law firm experienced in such matters. The District Manager shall notify the President of the Board of Directors of said alleged misconduct. Thereafter, the President, at the next meeting of the Board of Directors, shall report the facts and nature of the allegations to the entire Board of Directors.

If the Director charged with sexual harassment is the President of the Board of Directors, the District Manager shall report the fact and nature of the allegation(s) to the entire Board of Directors at its next meeting.

If an allegation of sexual harassment against a Director is investigated and found to be supported, the Board of Directors reserves the right to take such remedial action as is appropriate under all of the circumstances, including, if warranted, initiating an action for recall of such Director. The Directors agree that an accusation of sexual harassment against any one of them must be investigated. It is further agreed that such an investigation is not an invasion of their right of privacy.

### C) NONDISCRIMINATION

The District shall not unlawfully discriminate against qualified employees or job applicants on the basis of age, sex, race, color, creed, religion, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sexual orientation, physical or mental disability, veteran status, or status with regard to public assistance. Equal opportunity shall be provided to all qualified employees and applicants in every aspect of personnel policy and practice.

All employees are expected to carry out the responsibilities in a manner that is free from discriminatory statements or conduct.

### D) REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION-AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, employers have a duty to reasonably accommodate employees and job applicants with known disabilities. This accommodation is not required for individuals who are not otherwise qualified for the job nor is accommodation generally required until the person with the disability requests it. The following optional regulation includes procedures recommended by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission for use when determining what accommodation to make.

Requests for reasonable accommodation may first be considered informally by the site administrator. If an accommodation cannot be made at the site because it would impose undue hardship or because of a lack of funds, the site administrator shall ask that the request be submitted in writing to the General Manager. The site administrator shall provide the employee or applicant with any assistance he/she may need in order to submit this request.

The duty to reasonably accommodate an individual with a disability is limited to those accommodations which do not impose an undue hardship upon the district. Undue hardship is determined on a case-by case basis and includes any action that is unduly costly, extensive, substantial, disruptive, or that fundamentally alters the nature or operation of the agency. The burden of proving undue hardship rests with the agency, and what may be an undue hardship for one agency may not be an undue hardship for another, depending on factors such as cost and agency size. Even if cost does pose an undue hardship, the disabled person should have the opportunity to pay for the portion of the cost that constitutes an undue hardship, or to personally provide the accommodation.

### CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE

Pursuant to provision of California Government Code section 81,000 et seq., commonly known as the Political Reform Act, the District shall adopt and maintain a Conflict of Interest Code. The Conflict of Interest Code and, any amendments thereto shall be adopted by resolution of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall review the adopted Conflict of Interest Code on a bi-annual basis. At a regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting in September of each even-numbered year, the Board of Directors shall review its Conflict of Interest Code and, if amendments are needed, shall submit said amendments to the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors in accordance with applicable deadlines. If no amendments are needed, the Board of Directors shall submit a written statement saying that its Conflict of Interest Code is still accurate.

### RESIGNATIONS

Resignations by Directors shall be in writing, state the effective date and be submitted to the President of the Board of Directors and District Secretary. In the event the President of the Board of Directors resigns, the resignation shall be submitted to the Vice-President of the Board of Directors and the District Secretary.

### 21. <u>VACANCIES</u>

Directors are expected to carry out their responsibilities to the best of their abilities. In order to accomplish this goal, Directors should be present for scheduled meeting or events whenever possible. In accordance with California Government Code section 1770 a Director position vacancy will occur whenever "he or she ceases to discharge the duties of his or her office for the period of three consecutive months, except when prevented by sickness", or when absent from the Board of Directors without the permission of the majority of the Board of Directors.

If such vacancy occurs, the Board of Directors will take action in accordance with California Government Code section 1770.

In order to accomplish this in an orderly and consistent manner, when a vacancy of an elected Director occurs, the District Board of Directors, after discussion and consideration, shall when deemed appropriate, instruct staff to:

- A) Place a public notice advising that a vacancy has occurred in accordance with applicable provisions of law; and
- B) Said notice shall advise prospective candidates of the steps to take to apply for appointment; and
- C) The District's Board of Directors shall establish the closing date for the receipt of applications; and
- D) Applicants shall submit the following, by the date specified in the notice:
  - a) a letter of interest, and
  - b) a resume, with particular emphasis on the applicant's knowledge of special districts, and
- E) Applicant(s) shall be interviewed at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the District's Board of Directors following the date of closure for applications; and
- F) The District's Board of Directors shall make the appointment without undue delay, but need not act at the same meeting.

# 22. <u>INCONSISTENT, INCOMPATIBLE AND CONFLICTING EMPLOYMENT OR ACTIVITIES</u>

Pursuant to the provision of the California Government Code section 1126, the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District has determined that it would be inconsistent and incompatible for a Board member to be a paid employee of the District. Therefore, based on this decision, a member of the Board of Directors shall not be a paid District employee.

### 23. DIRECTORS' LEGAL LIABILITIES

The District shall defend and indemnify Directors from any claim, liability or demand that arises out of a Director's performance of his or her duties or responsibilities as a Director or Officer of the District.

### 24. INVESTMENT POLICY

San Lorenzo Valley Water District is committed to the establishment of formal policies relative to the prudent investment of the District's unexpended cash. The Board of Directors by resolution shall establish written guidelines for the investment of all San Lorenzo Valley Water District funds or funds in the custody of the District, in a manner which conforms to all state and local statutes governing the investment of public funds. Said guidelines shall provide for an optimal combination of safety, liquidity and yield. The District's Investment Policy and, any amendments thereto, shall be adopted by resolution of the Board of Directors. The Investment Policy shall be reviewed at the second (2nd) Board of Directors meeting in December of each calendar year or as soon thereafter as reasonable.

### 25. ANNUAL DISCLOSURE OF REIMBURSEMENTS

The District shall annually disclose any reimbursements paid by the San Lorenzo Valley Water District of at least one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for each individual charge for services or products received. The Board of Directors shall review said reimbursement information for the preceding fiscal year (July 1 - June 30) at a regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting in September of each calendar year.

### 26. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Any of the within policies not required by law may be altered, amended, or repealed by a

majority of the Board at a duly authorized meeting.

## 27. ANNUAL REVIEW

This Board of Directors Policy Manual shall be reviewed annually by District Counsel and ratified by Resolution of the Board of Directors at the second (2nd) Board of Directors meeting in December of each calendar year or as soon thereafter as reasonable.

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# SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

# **RESOLUTION NO. 23 (18-19)**

SUBJECT: SETTING REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING DAYS

FOR 2019 AS THE FIRST AND THIRD THURSDAY OF EVERY

MONTH

WHEREAS, California Government Code, Section 54954, establishes that the Board of Directors shall provide the time and place for holding regular meetings; and

WHEREAS, in the past the Board of Directors has determined regular meeting days based upon the availability of Board members; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to change the regular meetings to the first and third Thursday of each month except when the first or third Thursday falls on a holiday;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District that effective January 1, 2019 the time and place for regular Board of Directors meeting is set for 5:00 p.m. on the first and third Thursday of every month at the District Operations Building, 13057 Highway 9, Boulder Creek, CA.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, County of Santa Cruz, State of, California, on the 13th day of December, 2018, by the following vote of the members thereof:

AYES:

Smallman, Bruce, Henry, Swan, Fultz

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Holly B. Hossack, District Secretary San Lorenzo Valley Water District

# SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 24 (18-19)

### AWARD OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR BLUE TANK FOUNDATION

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors approved the replacement of water tank on July 20, 2017; and

WHEREAS, during the tank replacement the concrete foundation was inspected; and

WHEREAS, it was determined that 8 reinforced concrete piers would be the best course of action; and

WHEREAS, in response to Notice Inviting Bids the District received one bid for Blue Tank foundation repairs;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors ("Board") of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District do hereby award construction bid for repair of the Blue Tank Foundation to Don Chapin Company, Inc. for a total of \$53,500.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, on the 3rd day of January, 2019 by the following vote of the members thereof:

AYES:

Smallman, Fultz, Bruce, Henry, Swan

NOES: ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Holly B. Hossack

Secretary of the Board

San Lorenzo Valley Water District

### SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 25 (18-19)

SUBJECT: AWARD OF BID FOR VEHICLE REPLACEMENT

WHEREAS, the current 2018-19 Fiscal Year Budget provides for the purchase of three (3) District vehicles; and

WHEREAS, staff contacted fifteen (15) vehicle dealerships locally, Southern and Northern California. The District received one (1) bids (see attached) with the lowest bid being North Bay Ford, Santa Cruz totaling \$122,849.14; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District hereby awards the bid for new vehicles to North Bay Ford totaling \$122,849.14.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, on the 3rd day of January, 2019 by the following vote of the members thereof:

AYES:

Smallman, Fultz, Bruce, Henry, Swan

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Holly B. Hossack

**District Secretary** 

San Lorenzo Valley Water District

#### SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 26 (18-19)

SUBJECT: BOARD POLICY MANUAL 2019

WHEREAS, on December 13, 2018, the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District adopted Resolution No. 22 (18-19) Board of Directors Policy Manual 2019; and

WHEREAS, on January 3 and 17, 2019 the Board of Directors reviewed the Policy Manual and agreed to revisions; and

WHEREAS, the proper functioning of the District Board and Board Meetings is critical to proper functioning of the District; and

WHEREAS, an adopted set of rules and procedures assist in the proper functioning of the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board of directors as a whole, agrees with the Policy Manual and agrees to follow said Policy Manual;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District that the Board adopts and approves the revised 2019 San Lorenzo Valley Water District Board of Directors Policy Manual.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, on the 17th day of January 2019, by the following vote of the members thereof:

AYES:

Fultz, Smallman, Swan, Henry, Bruce

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Holly B. Hossack District Secretary

# SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT



## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**POLICY MANUAL 2019

**ADOPTED** 

January 17, 2019

**RESOLUTION NO. 26 (18-19)** 

#### MODIFICATIONS TO POLICY MANUAL SINCE LAST FULL BOARD APPROVAL

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#### MISSION STATEMENT

"Our mission is to provide our customers and all future generations with reliable, safe and high quality water at an equitable price; to create and maintain outstanding customer service; to manage and protect the environmental health of the aquifers and watersheds; and to ensure the fiscal vitality of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District".

Adopted by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District on June 2, 2000.

The mission of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District will be accomplished through the implementation of the following objectives:

**OBJECTIVE I; STAFFING** 

Provide an efficient and adequate staff of employees and consultants, dedicated to the District mission and responsive to the Board. Provide staff and consultants with proper resources.

#### **OBJECTIVE II; COMMUNICATIONS**

Establish and maintain an environment that encourages the open exchange of ideas and information between Board members, staff and the public that is positive, honest, concise, understandable, responsive and cost-efficient.

#### **OBJECTIVE III; EDUCATION**

Develop and maintain comprehension and competence regarding issues that come before the Board of Directors and Staff. Ensure the District's customers are informed regarding the benefits of safe operations, proper claims procedures, District operations and conservation.

#### AUTHORITY OF BOARD

 The Board of Directors shall act only at regular, regularly adjourned, or special meetings, as provided by State Law.

- B) Individual Directors shall have no power to act for the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, or the Board of Directors, or to direct District staff, except as authorized by the Board of Directors.
- C) Until a quorum is present there can be no meeting of the Board of Directors. The presence of a minimum of 3 Board members is required to constitute a quorum of the Board of Directors.

#### CODE OF ETHICS AND CONDUCT

The Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District is committed to providing excellence in legislative leadership that results in providing the highest quality services to its constituents. The Board of Directors is expected to maintain the highest ethical standards, to follow District policies and regulation, and to abide by all applicable local, state and federal laws. Board of Directors conduct should enhance the integrity and goals of the District. In order to assist in the governing of behavior between and among members of the Board of Directors, the following rules shall be observed:

- A) The dignity, style, values and opinions of each Director shall be respected.
- B) Responsiveness and attentive listening in communications is encouraged.
- C) The needs of the District's constituents shall be the priority of the Board of Directors.
- D) The primary responsibility of the Board of Directors is the formulation and evaluation of policy. Routine matters concerning the operational aspects of the District are to be delegated to staff members of the District.
- E) Directors should commit themselves to emphasizing the positive.
- F) Directors should commit themselves to focusing on issues and not personalities. The presentation of the opinions of others should be encouraged.
- G) Differing viewpoints are healthy in the decision-making process. Individual Directors have the right to disagree with ideas and opinions, but without being disagreeable. Once the Board of Directors takes action, Directors should commit to supporting said action and not to creating barriers to the implementation of said action.
- H) Directors should practice the following procedures:
  - In seeking clarification on informational items, Directors may directly approach the District Manager to obtain information needed to supplement, upgrade, or enhance their knowledge to improve legislative decision-making.

- In handling complaints or inquiries from residents and property owners of the
  District, said complaints should be referred to the District Manager and may be
  followed up by the Board of Directors.
- In handling items related to safety concerns, hazards should be reported to the District Manager. Emergency situations should be dealt with immediately by seeking appropriate assistance.
- In seeking clarification for policy-related concerns, especially those involving personnel, legal action, land acquisition, sale or development, finance, and programming, said concerns should be referred directly to the District Manager.
- When approached by District personnel concerning specific District policy, Directors should direct inquiries to the District Manager.
- J) The work of the District is a team effort. All individuals should work together in the collaborative process, assisting each other in conducting the affairs of the District.
- K) When responding to constituent requests and concerns at board meetings, the Board President's discretion determines the amount of time for comments. Specific questions or concerns will be directed to the District Manager for future action by the Board or staff. Directors should be courteous, responding to individuals in a positive manner and routing their questions through appropriate channels and to responsible management personnel.
  - Directors should develop a working relationship with the District Manager wherein current issues, concerns and District projects can be discussed comfortably and openly.
- M) Directors should function as a part of the whole. Issues should be brought to the attention of the Board of Directors as a whole, rather than to individual members selectively.
- (N) Members' interaction with public, press or other entities must recognize the limitation of any Board member to speak for the Board except to repeat explicitly stated Board decisions, while respecting the right of Board members to express individual opinions.
- O) Directors are responsible for monitoring the District's progress in attaining its goals and objectives, while pursuing its mission.
- P) The Board will further inform itself, individually and collectively, through ongoing outreach to determine community wishes and through continuing education on issues relevant to the District.
- Continual Board development will include orientation of new Boardmembers in the Board's governance process and periodic Board discussion of process improvement.

#### 4. ETHICS TRAINING

Pursuant to California Government Code section 53234 et seq. or as amended, all Directors shall receive two (2) hours of training in general ethics principles and ethics laws relevant to public service within one (1) year of election or appointment to the Board of Directors, and at least once every two (2) years thereafter. All ethics training shall be provided by entities whose curriculum has been approved by the California Attorney General and the Fair Political Practices Commission. The District Manager and any other employee(s) of the District designated by the Board of Directors shall also receive the ethics training specified herein. The District shall maintain records indicating the name of the entity that provided the training and the dates ethics training was completed. Records shall be maintained for a period of at least five (5) years after the date on which the training was received. These records are public records subject to disclosure under the California Public Records Act.

#### GOVERNING LAWS

The Board of Directors shall comply with and shall be guided by applicable provisions of Federal laws; State laws, including the Water Code, Government Code, Section 1090 of the Government Code, Elections Code and Public Resources Code; this Policy Manual, and the rules and regulations of the District as established by the motions, resolutions and ordinances enacted by the Board of Directors. Motions, resolutions and ordinances may be enacted by the Board in accordance with Water Code section 30523 or as amended.

#### 6. <u>ELECTION OF OFFICERS</u>

There shall be two (2) officers: a president and a vice president, who shall be members of the District Board of Directors. Election of officers shall be held at a Board of Directors meeting in December of each calendar year. Officers will serve for a one (1) year term. Elections will conform to the applicable provisions of this Policy Manual.

#### 7. ROLE OF THE BOARD POWERS, DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS

#### A) POWERS

The Board of Directors is responsible for the establishment of policy and general control of the District. This broad authority shall be exercised in accordance with all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations. The Board of Directors may execute any powers delegated by law to the District, and shall discharge any duty imposed by law upon the District.

The enabling codes established by the California State Legislature empowers the Board of Directors to have broad authority and flexibility in carrying out financial programs and activities which meet its individual needs, provided these programs or activities are not in conflict with, inconsistent with, or preempted by law.

#### B) DUTIES

The primary duties of the Board of Directors are as follows:

- Take action at legal meetings.
- Establish and periodically review written policies for District operation and administration.
- Be responsible for all District finances.
  - a. Approve fiscal budget.
  - b. Monitor the budget spending.
- Set rates, fees and charges for District services.
- Personnel
  - a. Hire and discharge General Manager and Legal Counsel.
  - Annually evaluate the General Manager and Legal Counsel.
- 6. Establish written policy on how Board of Director's meetings are conducted.
- Review and revise the Master Plan for the District.
- 8. Ratify committee appointments made by the President.
- Establish Director compensation limits.

#### C) FUNCTIONS

The powers and duties of the Board of Directors include governance, executive and quasi-judicial functions. These relate to the Board's own operations as a governing body and to all functions of the District.

#### GOVERNANCE FUNCTIONS

To fulfill its responsibility, the Board is committed to establishing policies to govern District activities. The Board of Directors shall consider and approve or disapprove matters submitted to it by a Director, Staff or the public. The Board of Directors shall prescribe rules for its own governance which are consistent with its "enabling code" or by Federal or State Laws and regulations.

#### 2. EXECUTIVE FUNCTIONS

The Board of Directors is authorized to delegate any of its powers and duties to an officer or employee of the District. The Board of Directors; however, retains ultimate responsibility over the performance of those powers or duties so delegated.

#### 3. QUASI-JUDICIAL FUNCTIONS

The Board of Directors desires that public complaints be resolved at the lowest possible administrative level. The method of resolving public complaints shall be as follows:

- a. The individual with a complaint shall first discuss the matter with the District Manager. If this individual registering the complaint is not satisfied with the disposition of the complaint by the District Manager, said complaint may be filed with the Board of Directors.
- The Board of Directors may consider the matter at a subsequent regular meeting or call a special meeting. The Board of Directors will expeditiously resolve the matter.
- c. This policy in no way prohibits or intends to deter a member of the public from appearing before the Board of Directors to present a verbal complaint or statement in regards to actions of the Board of Directors, District programs or services, or impending considerations of the Board of Directors.

#### 8. ROLE OF INDIVIDUAL DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors is the unit of authority for the District. Apart from their normal function as a part of this unit, individual Directors may not commit the District to any policy, act or expenditure unless duly authorized by the Board of Directors. Nor may an individual Director direct staff to perform specific duties unless duly authorized by the Board of Directors. Directors do not represent any factional segment of the constituency, but are, rather, a part of the body which represents and acts for the constituency as a whole.

- A) Each Director has the right to place items on a subsequent Board of Directors Meeting, subject to scheduling by the Board president. The deadline for submittal of an agenda item by a Director shall be the preceding Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. before the scheduled Board of Directors meeting date at the office of the District Secretary. Agenda item requests received after the submittal deadline for a specific agenda will be added to the next following regularly scheduled agenda, subject to scheduling by the Board president.
- B) Directors will make every effort to attend assigned Board of Directors and Committee meetings:

- To prepare adequately for each such meeting;
- To observe the rules of decorum as set forth herein; and
- Whenever any individual Directors will be absent or late for a Board of Directors or Committee meeting said Director shall notify the District Secretary or Board President at the earliest opportunity.
- C) When requesting information from staff, Directors shall contact the District Manager. When responding to constituent requests and concerns, Directors should reroute such inquiries to the District Manager.
- D) Each Director shall decide individually on what contact information will be released by District staff to the general public. In order to accomplish this in an orderly and consistent manner, each Director shall provide the District Secretary with a completed and signed Director Contact Authorization Form. Directors shall be responsible for any and all updates and amendments to said Director Contact Authorization Form.

#### 9. BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

#### A) REGULAR TIME AND PLACE OF MEETINGS

Regularly scheduled meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held, on the first (1st) and third (3rd) Thursday of each month at 5:30 pm for Closed Session and 6:30 pm time certain for Open Session; at the District Operations Building, 13057 Highway 9, Boulder Creek, CA, unless otherwise specified by action of the Board of Directors. Special meetings of the Board of Directors, as that term or its successor terms are defined within the meaning of the Ralph M. Brown Act (California Government Code section 54950 et seq.), may be duly authorized and held as deemed necessary by the President or a majority of the Board of Directors. Notice and location of special meetings shall be as prescribed by law. Emergency meetings of the Board of Directors, as that term or its successor terms are defined within the meaning of the Ralph M. Brown Act, may be duly authorized and held as deemed necessary only by a majority of the Board of Directors. Notice and location of emergency meetings shall be as prescribed by law.

#### B) PUBLIC NATURE OF MEETINGS

All meetings of the Board of Directors shall be open to the public, except when the Board is convened in Closed Session as authorized under provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act (California Government Code section 54950 et seq.).

#### C) QUORUM AND VOTING REQUIREMENTS

The presence of three (3) or more Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of District business. No ordinance, resolution or motion shall be passed by the Board of Directors without a majority vote of the Board, unless otherwise required or prescribed by State law. (See for example, Government Code section 54954.2, Board Policy Manual subparagraph K, below.)

#### D) BOARD ACTION

The Board of Directors shall act only by ordinance, resolution, or motion, Except where action is taken by the unanimous vote of all Directors present and voting, the ayes and noes shall be taken upon the passage of all ordinances, resolutions or motions and shall be entered in the minutes. An ordinance does not require two readings at separate meetings unless otherwise prescribed by law. Unless otherwise provided by its own terms, all ordinances, resolutions and motions shall become effective upon adoption. Any member of the Board of Directors, including the President, can make a motion. Motions require seconds. The President may vote on all motions unless disqualified or abstaining. The President shall not call for a vote on any motion until sufficient time has been allowed to permit any and all members of the Board of Directors to speak. Complex motions should generally be prepared in writing and read aloud to the members of the Board of Directors at the time the motion is made. If a motion is not in writing, and if it is necessary for full understanding of the matter before the Board of Directors, the President shall restate the question prior to the vote. Common motions may be stated in abbreviated form, and will be put into complete form in the minutes. Until the President states the question, the maker may modify their motion or withdraw it completely. However, after the President has stated the question, the motion may be changed only by a motion to amend which is passed by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

The President of the Board may at any time, during debate or otherwise, declare a recess. Declaration of a recess shall not be subject to any motions.

#### E) PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURES

Unless otherwise inconsistent with any provision stated herein, Parliamentary Procedure, for Board of Directors meetings shall be based upon the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised. No action of the Board of Directors shall be deemed invalid for the reason that said action was not in conformance with Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised.

#### F) ROUTINE BUSINESS

Matters of routine business such as approval of the minutes and approval of minor matters may be expedited by assuming unanimous consent of the members of the Board of Directors and having the President state that without objection the matter will stand approved. Should any Director object to such unanimous consent, the President shall then call for a vote.

#### G) ORDERLY DISCUSSION

In order to promote discussion of the issues before the Board of Directors, each Director shall be recognized by the chair before speaking. Notwithstanding any provision of this Policy, however, each Director shall have a right to be heard within reason on any issue before the Board of Directors. Each Director may seek information or comment by the staff on any question.

#### H) CLOSED SESSION

Except as provided by law, all proceedings in Closed Sessions shall remain confidential.

#### MEETING AGENDAS

The District Manager, in consultation with the Board President, shall be responsible for the preparation of a written agenda for each regular meeting and/or special meeting of the Board of Directors as those terms or its successor terms are defined by the Ralph M. Brown Act (California Government Code section 54950 et seq.). The District Manager and the Board President shall meet, annually, in January of each calendar year to identify recurring items of business which should be placed on written agendas at appropriate times during the coming year. The District Manager, in consultation with the President, shall be responsible for the preparation of a written agenda for each regular meeting and/or special meeting of "other legislative bodies," of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, as those terms or its successor terms are defined by the Ralph M. Brown Act. Any Director may request that an item be placed on the agenda for a regular meeting of the Board of Directors. The District Secretary shall be responsible for the posting of the appropriate notice and agenda for all meetings of the Board of Directors and/or "other legislative bodies."

A copy of the agenda for each regular meeting of the Board of Directors shall be forwarded to each Board member, at least three (3) days in advance of each regular meeting, together with copies of all applicable supporting documentation; minutes to be approved; staff report; and other available documents pertinent to the meeting. shall review agenda materials before each meeting. Individual directors may confer directly with the District Manager to request additional information on the agenda items.

#### J) ORDER OF BUSINESS

As a practice for normal business. The Board President may rearrange this order at any time. Introductory language for each agenda section may be modified by action of the Board of Directors from time to time. Changes to the introductory language for each agenda section shall take effect at the next Board of Directors meeting.

- Convene Meeting, Roll Call.
- Additions and Deletions to Closed Session Agenda.

- Public Comment Related to items on the Closed Session Agenda
- Adjournment to Closed Session.
- Reconvene to Open Session at 6:30 PM (time-certain).
- Closed Session report.
- Additions and Deletions to Open Session Agenda.
- Public Comment on any topic within the jurisdiction of the District and which is not on the Open Session Agenda.
- 9. Unfinished Business.
- 10. New Business.
- 11. Consent Agenda
- District Reports
  - a. District Manager Report
  - Department Status Reports
  - c. Committee Reports
  - d. Director Reports
- 13. Written Communications
- 14. Informational Material.
- (If applicable) Adjournment to Closed Session.
- (If applicable) Reconvene to Open Session to Report Actions Taken in Closed Session.
- 17. Adjournment

#### K) ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO AGENDA

Additions to the Agenda, if any, shall be made in accordance with California Government Code Section 54954.2 or as amended (Ralph M. Brown Act), which includes, but is not limited to, additions for which the need to take action is declared to have arisen after the agenda was posted, as determined by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors. If less than two-thirds of the members are present a unanimous vote of those members present is required.

#### L) PUBLIC COMMENT

The Board of Directors encourages public participation in the governance of the District through public comment periods. In order to present, members of the public must first be recognized by the president.

1. If the Board meeting has a Closed Session agenda, members of the public may comment on or ask questions about the items which are on the Closed Session portion of each agenda. Comments or questions may be submitted in writing or orally. If in writing, the entire written communications will be placed in the minutes. If orally, members of the public may have to up to five (5) minutes (unless time is shortened by the President due to circumstances—e.g., in the event of a large number of people wishing to comment orally) to present to the Board of Directors. The President may extend this time at his or her discretion—e.g., in order to allow for a wrap up of the presentation. Oral comments will be summarized and included in the minutes if the member of the public provides his or her name at the beginning of their comment time.

2. Prior to the start of the Open Session agenda, members of the public may comment on or ask questions about topics which are within the jurisdiction of the District and which are not on the Open Session portion of the agenda. It is the objective of the Board to have as close to a normal conversation with members of the public as possible while still conforming to the requirements of the Brown Act. This means that the Board cannot take action or discuss a topic or question in depth during this meeting (Ralph M. Brown Act Section 54954.3 or as amended). However, the Board can ask clarifying questions in order to make sure that it understands questions or comments. The Board can discuss how to best handle questions or comments. All questions will be answered either in realtime (by the Board or Staff) or at a later time, unless the questions relate to confidential topics. If a question is answered in real-time, the Board President will ask if the question was answered and, if not, allow a short follow-up request for clarification. If a question cannot be answered in real-time, it will be answered and included in the minutes for that meeting which will be published at a later time. In addition, the Board may agendize a public comment item for a future Board meeting if that seems appropriate or the Board may send the item to committee for follow-up and possible action. Comments and/or questions may be submitted in writing or orally. If in writing, the entire written communications will be placed in the minutes. If orally, members of the public may have to up to five (5) minutes (unless time is shortened by the President at his or her discretion due to circumstances-e.g., in the event of a large number of people wishing to comment orally) to present to the Board of Directors. The President may extend this time at his or her discretion—e.g., in order to allow for a wrap up of the presentation. Oral comments will be summarized and included in the minutes if the member of the public provides his or her name at the beginning of their comment time. In the interests of respecting everyone's time, members of the public are encouraged to (i) avoid repeating someone else's pointjust indicate agreement-and add new content and (ii) to avoid repetition during their comments.

In addition, members of the public may address each agenda item prior to Board disposition of that item, including items on the Consent Agenda. After presentation of the agenda item, the order of discussion will be: Board comment, public comment and then back to the Board for further deliberations. The Board President may establish a time limit for public comment on an agenda item and may also allow a second round of public comment at his or her discretion. In order to present, members of the public must first be recognized by the President.

No member of the public shall approach the Board of Directors table while the Board is in session unless granted permission by the President or presiding officer. Proper decorum must be observed by Directors, staff, speakers and the audience at all times. The President or presiding officer shall preserve order and decorum, discourage personal attacks, and confine debate to the question under discussion. The President shall rule out of order any irrelevant, repetitive or disruptive comments. Please mute or turn off your electronic devices while the Board is in session.

It is the policy of the Board of Directors to invite all members of the public to participate in the governance of the District and to provide wide latitude for the free expression of all points of view. However, the President, or a majority of the board, may eject from a meeting any person who becomes disorderly, abusive, or disruptive, or who fails or refuses to obey a ruling of the president regarding a matter of order or procedure. In addition, as a last resort, per California Government code 54957.9: *In the event that any meeting is willfully interrupted by a group or groups of persons so as to render the orderly conduct of such meeting unfeasible and order cannot be restored by the removal of individuals who are willfully interrupting the meeting, the members of the legislative body conducting the meeting may order the meeting room cleared and continue in session.* 

Representatives of the press or other new media, except those participating in the disturbance, shall be allowed to attend any session held pursuant to this section. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the legislative body from establishing a procedure for readmitting an individual or individuals not responsible for willfully disturbing the orderly conduct of the meeting.

Changes to this section shall take effect at the next Board of Directors meeting.

#### M) CONSENT AGENDA

The purpose of a consent agenda is to minimize the time required for the handling of any non-controversial matters. Consent agenda items are considered to be routine and non-controversial, with documentation provided to the Board of Directors that is adequate and sufficient for approval without inquiry or discussion. Any item on the consent agenda will be moved to the regular agenda upon request from individual Directors or a member of the public. Unless moved to the regular agenda, the consent agenda shall be voted upon as one single item without discussion or debate.

#### N) STUDY SESSIONS

Study sessions or workshop meetings are for the purpose of discussing an item(s) that may come before the Board at a later time for official action, to facilitate planning, or discussion of special topics of interest. Study sessions provide a more informal forum for the Board of Directors, staff and the public to engage in openended discussion and share information on a particular subject(s). No formal action(s) can be taken at a study session; direction can be given to staff regarding preparation of an agenda item for discussion and possible action at a subsequent meeting. From time to time, study sessions may be duly authorized as deemed necessary by the President or a majority of the Board.

#### O) WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

The Written Correspondence portion of the agenda is established to act as a report of written materials received by the Board as a whole, but may also include items requested for inclusion by individual Directors or members of the public. Written Communications will always be presented in its entirety. Written Correspondence not presented in its entirety will be maintained by the District Secretary for a period of two (2) years.

#### TECHNOLOGICAL CONFERENCING

Teleconferencing may be used for all purposes in connection with any meeting within the subject matter jurisdiction of any legislative body of the District. Teleconferencing is defined as a meeting of a legislative body of the District, the members of which are in different locations, connected by electronic means, through either audio or video, or both. If a legislative body of the District elects to use teleconferencing, it shall comply with all applicable requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act (Section 54953, or as amended.)

#### 11. PRESIDENT

#### A) DUTIES

The President shall sit as presiding officer and conduct all meetings of the Board of Directors, shall carry out the resolution and orders of the Board of Directors and shall exercise such other powers and perform such other duties as the Board of Directors shall prescribe; including the following:

- 1. Call the meeting to order at the appointed time.
- 2. Announce the business to come before the Board of Directors in its proper order.
- 3. Enforce the Board of Directors policies and rules with respect to the order of business and the conduct of meetings.
- Recognize persons who desire to speak, and protect the speaker who has the floor from disturbance or interference.
- 5. Explain what the effect of a motion would be if it is not clear to every member of the Board of Directors.
- 6. Restrict discussion to the question when a motion is before the Board of Directors.
- 7. Rule on parliamentary procedure.
- 8. Put motions to a vote, and state clearly the results of the vote.

#### B) RESPONSIBILITIES

The President shall have all the rights to discuss and vote on any issues before the Board of Directors. The President shall have the following responsibilities:

- Sign all instruments, acts, and carry out stated requirements and the will of the Board of Directors.
- Consult with the District Manager on the preparation of the Board of Directors agendas. In addition, any Director shall have the right to place any matter on the agenda for any meeting in accordance with the provisions of this policy.
- 3. Appoint and disband all committees, subject to Board of Directors approval.
- Call such meetings of the Board of Directors as they may deem necessary, giving notice as prescribed by law.
- Confer with the District Manager and/or District Counsel on matters which may occur between Board of Directors meetings.

- Be responsible for the orderly conduct of all Board of Directors meetings.
- Act as spokesperson for the Board of Directors.
- Coordinate and prepare the Board of Directors annual evaluation of the General Manager and Legal Counsel.
- 9. Other duties as authorized by the Board of Directors.

#### 12. <u>VICE-PRESIDENT</u>

When the President resigns or is absent or disabled, the Vice President shall perform the President's duties. When the President disqualifies himself/herself from participating in an agenda item, the Vice-President shall perform the duties of the presiding officer.

#### 13. MINUTES

All Board of Directors meetings and committee meetings will be audio recorded and made available through the District's website. Said audio record shall be subject to inspection in accordance with State Laws, including the California Public Records Act.

In addition, the District Secretary shall record the minutes for Board of Directors meetings and committee meetings which shall also be posted on the District's website.

The minutes shall be of the form of summary minutes and will include the following information: the time the meeting was called to order, the names of the Directors (or, as appropriate, the committee members) attending the meeting, the vote (roll call or voice) on each matter considered at the meeting, the time the Board of Directors began and ended any closed session, the names of the Directors and the names, and titles where applicable, of any other persons attending any closed session, a list of those members of the public who spoke on each matter if the speakers identified themselves, whether such speakers supported or opposed the matter, a brief summary of each Board member's and public members statement during the public comment period for each agenda item (if they identified themselves), and the time the meeting was adjourned. Any person speaking during a public comment period may supply written comments which shall be included in the minutes.

The draft minutes of each meeting shall be available for inspection and copying upon request no later than ten working days after the meeting, unless circumstances prevent meeting that goal in which case the minutes shall be available as soon as possible. The officially adopted minutes shall be available for inspection and copying upon request no later than ten working days after the meeting at which the minutes are adopted, unless

circumstances prevent meeting that goal in which case the minutes shall be available as soon as possible.

Changes to this section shall take effect at the next Board of Directors meeting.

#### 14. COMMITTEES

The Board shall organize committees that are advisory to the Board with regard to matters within their respective areas of responsibility.

The five District standing committees are as follows: Administrative, Budget & Finance, Engineering, Environmental and Lompico Oversight. Each standing committee shall have no power or authority to commit the District or to take any action on behalf of the Board of Directors. Standing Committees shall hold meetings at such times, frequency and locations as deemed necessary by consensus of the committee members. Committees are encouraged to meet at least monthly.

Committee meetings shall be held in accordance with the provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act. In order to promote attendance by Directors at Committee meetings without inadvertently creating a violation of the Ralph M. Brown Act, Directors that are not members of a committee are discouraged from attending but may attend as observers, and, if attending, shall not participate at the Committee's meeting.

Committee appointments will be reviewed by the full Board at a Board of Director's meeting in December of each Calendar Year, or as soon thereafter as practical. Applications to serve as a Public Member will be available at the District's Office or online at the District's website (<a href="www.slvwd.com">www.slvwd.com</a>). Public Member Applications will be reviewed by the full Board. Each committee member shall be appointed by a simple majority vote of the Board.

Regardless of the start date, the terms of public member(s) of the Administrative, Budget & Finance, Engineering and Environmental Committees shall end on December 31st of each year.

Members of the public shall serve on no more than one standing committee at a time.

Administrative, Budget & Finance, Engineering, Environmental Committees may have no more than two Board Members and at least one Public Member. If more than one public member applies to serve on an individual committee, the full Board shall vote to determine which public member shall be seated on that committee for the year or may choose to appoint more than one public member to a committee by adjusting the size of the committee appropriately. At any time, the Board may also choose to appoint additional public members to any standing committee.

The Lompico Oversight Committee may have no more than five Public Members. Public members serving on the Lompico Oversight Committee shall have a residential mailing address within Assessment District 2016-1.

Members of the committees serve at the pleasure of the Board. Each committee shall designate their own chairperson. For the Administrative, Budget & Finance, Engineering and Environmental Committees the chairperson shall be a member of the Board. Each committee may elect a vice- chairperson. Members of committees, including the chairperson and vice-chairperson shall serve until their successors are appointed. The chairperson of a committee is its presiding officer and shall be responsible for communicating the recommendation of the committee to the Board. In the absence of the chairperson, the vice-chairperson shall perform the duties of the chairperson. The chairperson and vice-chairperson are not deprived of any of the rights and privileges of a committee member by reason of being the presiding officer.

A majority of the members of each committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Only members of the committee are entitled to make, second or vote on any motion or other action of the committee. Each committee member shall be entitled to one vote on all matters considered by the committee. A simple majority vote of the members of the Committee shall designate approval of a motion.

During the first regular meeting after January 1st of each year, each Committee shall review the District's current Strategic Plan and identify Strategic Plan Elements pertaining to said Committee. The Committee's findings regarding such Strategic Plan review shall be reported back to the Board at the next available regular Board Meeting for discussion and to allow the Board to provide direction back to the committees regarding completion of identified Strategic Plan Elements.

During the first regular meeting after January 1st of each year, each Committee shall prepare a multi-month forward looking calendar of items to be discussed by said Committee. Said calendar shall be no less than a three month look-ahead. Each Committee chairperson s h a II. maintain said look-ahead calendar and submit same to the Board on a monthly basis.

The committee Chairperson shall record summary minutes of each committee meeting. The minutes of each committee meeting and any recommendation of a committee shall include a summary of the information presented.

All committee member absences will be considered by the majority of the committee members to determine whether or not the absence is without cause. Sickness, jury duty, vacation and/or bereavement will be considered excused absences. When three meetings in a row or a total of six meetings in one calendar year are missed the remaining committee members will consider the removal of the individual from the committee. The removal must be voted upon and approved by the majority of the committee members with the exception of the committee member in question.

Vacancies shall be reported to the full Board as soon as practically possible. Vacancies shall be filled by simple majority vote of the Board.

Committee Members shall comply with the obligations and responsibilities of office including the obligation to comply with the disclosure requirements of the Political Reform Act (Form 700). The reporting categories made applicable to the Directors by San

Lorenzo Valley Water District's local conflict of code shall apply to the members of the committee members.

All committee communications must go through the designated committee chairperson.

A committee has jurisdiction to consider and make a recommendation to staff, other committees and to the Board regarding any item of business within the responsibility of the committee. Committee recommendations shall be communicated to the Board. A committee may consider other matters referred to it by the Board.

The Board may refer a recommendation back to any committee for reevaluation whenever the Board deems additional evaluation is required.

Each Standing Committee shall, as a minimum, be responsible for the following:

#### Administrative Committee

The Committee shall be responsible for matters of internal and external administrative matters including: communications, staffing and staff support; District's data gap grant programs; interagency relations; codes and policies, pending State and Federal legislation; and other administrative programs.

#### **Budget and Finance Committee**

The Committee shall be responsible for the review of District finances including: rates, fees, charges and other sources of revenue; budget and reserves; audit; investments; insurance; and other financial matters.

#### **Engineering Committee**

The Committee shall be responsible for the review matters of design, construction, replace and repair of the District facilities and property including: The Capital Improvement Program; Master Plans and other engineering, operational and planning related matters.

#### **Environmental Committee**

The Committee shall be responsible for matters of stewardship of the District's property including: Urban Water Management Plans; Water Conservation Programs; Classis Watershed Education Grants; Watershed Management; Resource Management and other environmental related matter.

#### Lompico Assessment District Oversight Committee

The Committee shall be responsible to fulfill their charter as it relates to Assessment District 2016-1 projects.

Changes to this Section 14 shall take effect immediately.

#### MEETING STIPENDS

Each Director may receive compensation as established by resolution of the Board of Directors. Pursuant to California Water Code section 30507, each Director may receive compensation in an amount not to exceed one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per day for each day's attendance at meetings of the Board, or for each day's service rendered as a Director by request or approval of the Board, not to exceed six hundred dollars (\$600.00) in any calendar month.

Consistent with California Water Code section 30507, by resolution of the Board of Directors, the District has established the following per day (daily meeting stipend) for each day's attendance at meetings, as defined herein. Such compensation is in addition to any approved reimbursement for meals, lodging, travel and other expenses consistent with the policies stated herein.

- A) To be entitled to a daily meeting stipend of one hundred dollars (\$100.00), the event in question must constitute one of the following:
  - A meeting of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District Board of Directors within the meaning of California Government Code section 54952(a); or
  - Any meeting attended or service provided on a given day at the formal request of the District Board of Directors, and for which the Board at a public meeting approved payment of a daily meeting stipend.
- B) To be entitled to a daily meeting stipend of twenty five dollars (\$25.00), the event in question must be a meeting of a designated District standing committee within the meaning of California Government Code section 54952(b). Only Directors appointed to the District standing committees shall be entitled to said daily meeting stipend.

#### 16. TRAINING, EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS, CONFERECENCES AND MEETINGS

The Board of Directors has determined that the following provisions shall be applicable to Director training, educational programs, conferences and meetings:

- A) Directors are encouraged to attend educational conferences and professional meetings when the purposes of such activities are to improve District operation. Directors may attend, on behalf of the District, such training, educational programs, conferences and meetings as have been approved by the Board of Directors.
- B) It is the policy of the District to encourage Board development and excellence of performance by reimbursing necessary and reasonable expenses incurred for tuition, travel, lodging and meals as a result of training, educational courses, participation with professional organizations, and attendance at local, state and

- national conferences associated with the interests of the District. Cash advances or use of District credit cards for these purposes is not permitted. All reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses shall be pursuant to District policy on expenditure reimbursement as stated herein.
- C) Attendance by Directors at seminars, workshops, courses, professional organization meetings, and conferences etc. shall be approved by the Board of Directors at a public meeting prior to incurring any authorized reimbursable costs.
- D) The District Manager or designee is responsible for making arrangements for Directors for conference and registration expenses, and for per diem. Per Diem, when appropriate, shall include reimbursement of expenses for meals, lodging, and travel. All expenses for which reimbursement is requested by Directors, or which are billed to the District by Directors, shall be submitted to the District Manager, together with validated receipts.
- E) To conserve District resources and keep Directors' reimbursement expenses for training, educational programs, conferences and meetings within community standards for public officials, reimbursement expenditures should adhere to the following guidelines. Expenses to the District for Board of Directors' training, education programs, conferences and meetings should be kept to a minimum by:
  - Utilizing hotel(s) recommended by the event sponsor in order to obtain discounted rates.
  - Traveling together whenever feasible and economically beneficial.
  - Requesting reservations sufficiently in advance, when possible, to obtain discounted air fares and hotel rates.
- F) A Director shall not attend a conference or training event for which there is an expense to the District if it occurs after the Director has announced a pending resignation, or if it occurs after an election in which it has been determined that a Director will not retain a seat on the Board. A Director shall not attend a conference or training event when it is apparent that there is no significant benefit to the District.
- G) Whenever a Director who has not previously attended a particular conference or educational program is available to attend same, that Director shall have preference for attendance over a Director who has previously attended the same program.
- H) Upon returning from seminars, workshops, conferences, etc., where expenses are reimbursed by the District, Directors will either prepare a written report for distribution to the Board, or make a verbal report during the next regular meeting of the Board. The report shall detail what was learned at the session(s) that will be of benefit to the District. Materials from the session(s) may be

- delivered to the District office to be included in the District library for the future use of other Directors and staff.
- Nothing in this policy shall permit the conduct of business in violation of the Ralph M. Brown Act when more than three (3) Directors attend the same event.

#### 17. EXPENDITURE REIMBURSEMENT

The purpose of this policy is to prescribe the manner in which members of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District Board of Directors may be reimbursed for expenditures related to approved District business. The District shall adhere to California Government Code sections 53232 through 53232.4 or as amended when dealing with issues of expenditure reimbursements for Directors. This policy shall apply to all members of the Board of Directors, and is intended to result in no personal gain or loss to a Director.

Directors may be reimbursed for out-of-pocket expenditure(s) relative to reasonable and necessary costs associated with appropriate District business. The Board of Directors must provide approval for said District business at a public meeting prior to incurring any authorized reimbursement costs.

Directors are eligible to receive reimbursements for travel, meals, lodging, and other reasonable and necessary expenses associated with approved District business. Reimbursement rates shall coincide with guidelines established herein, or rates set by Internal Revenue Service Publication 1542 or its successor publication(s), whichever are greater.

If lodging is in connection with a prior approved event, such lodging costs shall not exceed the maximum group rate published by the conference or activity sponsor. If the published group rate is unavailable, Directors shall be reimbursed for comparable lodging at government or IRS rates.

If travel is in connection with a prior approved event, the most economical mode and class of transportation reasonably consistent with scheduling needs must be used, using the most direct and time-efficient route. Directors shall use government or group rates offered by the event provider of transportation when available. If the group rate is unavailable, Directors shall be reimbursed for comparable travel at government or IRS rates.

Directors shall submit their requests for reimbursement on a form approved by the District Manager. The reimbursement form shall include an explanation of the District-related purpose for the expenditure(s). Receipts documenting all expenditure are required to be submitted in conjunction with the expense report form. Failure to submit necessary receipts will result in denial of the reimbursement claim. Expense reports shall be submitted within a reasonable time, and at no time more than fourteen (14) calendar days after incurring the expense. The District Manager will review and approve reimbursement requests.

Any and all expenses that do not fall within the adopted travel reimbursement policy or the IRS reimbursable rates are required to be approved by the Board of Directors in a public meeting prior to the expense(s) being incurred. Expenses that do not adhere to the adopted travel reimbursement policy or the IRS reimbursable rates, and that do not receive prior approval from the Board of Directors in a public meeting prior to the expense being incurred, shall not be eligible forreimbursement.

State law provides criminal penalties for misuse of public resources, which includes falsification of expense reports. Penalties include fines, imprisonment, and restitution.

#### 18. PERSONNEL POLICIES

#### A) PERSONNEL SYSTEM RULES AND REGULATIONS

San Lorenzo Valley Water District is committed to the provision of an orderly, equitable and uniform personnel system. The Board of Directors by resolution shall establish written rules and regulations for the administration of the personnel system. Personnel system rules and regulations shall be reviewed at a Board of Directors meeting in December of each calendar year or as soon thereafter as reasonable.

#### B) SEXUAL HARASSMENT

The San Lorenzo Valley Water District is committed to creating and maintaining a work environment free of objectionable and disrespectful conduct and/or communication of a sexual nature and prohibits sexual harassment by all employees and the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors by resolution shall establish a written policy and procedure manual relative to sexual harassment. The District's sexual harassment policy shall be reviewed at a Board of Directors meeting in December of each calendar year or as soon thereafter as reasonable. Conduct which creates an intimidating, hostile or offensive work environment will not be tolerated. Verbal behavior, physical behavior, gestures and other non-verbal behavior which create said environment will not be tolerated. Any employee or member of the public who feel that they have been or are being harassed by a Director is strongly encouraged to immediately report such incident to the District Manager without fear of reprisal regardless of the outcome of the complaint. The District Manager shall assign the investigation of the alleged misconduct to an outside party such as an attorney or law firm experienced in such matters. The District Manager shall notify the President of the Board of Directors of said alleged misconduct. Thereafter, the President, at the next meeting of the Board of Directors, shall report the facts and nature of the allegations to the entire Board of Directors.

If the Director charged with sexual harassment is the President of the Board of Directors, the District Manager shall report the fact and nature of the allegation(s) to the entire Board of Directors at its next meeting.

If an allegation of sexual harassment against a Director is investigated and found to be supported, the Board of Directors reserves the right to take such remedial action as is appropriate under all of the circumstances, including, if warranted, initiating an action for recall of such Director. The Directors agree

that an accusation of sexual harassment against any one of them must be investigated. It is further agreed that such an investigation is not an invasion of their right of privacy.

#### C) NONDISCRIMINATION

The District shall not unlawfully discriminate against qualified employees or job applicants on the basis of age, sex, race, color, creed, religion, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sexual orientation, physical or mental disability, veteran status, or status with regard to public assistance. Equal opportunity shall be provided to all qualified employees and applicants in every aspect of personnel policy and practice.

All employees are expected to carry out the responsibilities in a manner that is free from discriminatory statements or conduct.

#### D) REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION-AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, employers have a duty to reasonably accommodate employees and job applicants with known disabilities. This accommodation is not required for individuals who are not otherwise qualified for the job nor is accommodation generally required until the person with the disability requests it. The following optional regulation includes procedures recommended by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission for use when determining what accommodation to make.

Requests for reasonable accommodation may first be considered informally by the site administrator. If an accommodation cannot be made at the site because it would impose undue hardship or because of a lack of funds, the site administrator shall ask that the request be submitted in writing to the General Manager. The site administrator shall provide the employee or applicant with any assistance he/she may need in order to submit this request.

The duty to reasonably accommodate an individual with a disability is limited to those accommodations which do not impose an undue hardship upon the district.

Undue hardship is determined on a case-by case basis and includes any action that is unduly costly, extensive, substantial, disruptive, or that fundamentally alters the nature or operation of the agency. The burden of proving undue hardship rests with the agency, and what may be an undue hardship for one agency may not be an undue hardship for another, depending on factors such as cost and agency size. Even if cost does pose an undue hardship, the disabled person should have the opportunity to pay for the portion of the cost that constitutes an undue hardship, or to personally provide the accommodation.

#### 19. CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE

Pursuant to provision of California Government Code section 81,000 et seq., commonly known as the Political Reform Act, the District shall adopt and maintain a Conflict of Interest Code. The Conflict of Interest Code and, any amendments thereto shall be adopted by resolution of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall review the adopted Conflict of Interest Code on a bi-annual basis. At a regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting in September of each even-numbered year, the Board of Directors shall review its Conflict of Interest Code and, if amendments are needed, shall submit said amendments to the Santa Cruz County Board of Supervisors in accordance with applicable deadlines. If no amendments are needed, the Board of Directors shall submit a written statement saying that its Conflict of Interest Code is still accurate.

#### 20. RESIGNATIONS

Resignations by Directors shall be in writing, state the effective date and be submitted to the President of the Board of Directors and District Secretary. In the event the President of the Board of Directors resigns, the resignation shall be submitted to the Vice-President of the Board of Directors and the District Secretary.

#### 21. VACANCIES

Directors are expected to carry out their responsibilities to the best of their abilities. In order to accomplish this goal, Directors should be present for scheduled meeting or events whenever possible. In accordance with California Government Code section 1770 a Director position vacancy will occur whenever "he or she ceases to discharge the duties of his or her office for the period of three consecutive months, except when prevented by sickness", or when absent from the Board of Directors without the permission of the majority of the Board of Directors.

If such vacancy occurs, the Board of Directors will take action in accordance with California Government Code section 1770.

In order to accomplish this in an orderly and consistent manner, when a vacancy of an elected Director occurs, the District Board of Directors, after discussion and consideration, shall when deemed appropriate, instruct staff to:

- Place a public notice advising that a vacancy has occurred in accordance with applicable provisions of law; and
- Said notice shall advise prospective candidates of the steps to take to apply for appointment; and

- The District's Board of Directors shall establish the closing date for the receipt of applications; and
- D) Applicants shall submit the following, by the date specified in the notice:
  - 1) a letter of interest, and
  - a resume, with particular emphasis on the applicant's knowledge of special districts, and
- Applicant(s) shall be interviewed at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the District's Board of Directors following the date of closure for applications; and
- F) The District's Board of Directors shall make the appointment without undue delay, but need not act at the same meeting.

## 22. INCONSISTENT, INCOMPATIBLE AND CONFLICTING EMPLOYMENT OR ACTIVITIES

Pursuant to the provision of the California Government Code section 1126, the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District has determined that it would be inconsistent and incompatible for a Board member to be a paid employee of the District. Therefore, based on this decision, a member of the Board of Directors shall not be a paid District employee.

#### 23. DIRECTORS' LEGAL LIABILITIES

The District shall defend and indemnify Directors from any claim, liability or demand that arises out of a Director's performance of his or her duties or responsibilities as a Director or Officer of the District, as provided by Government Codes 825 and 995.

#### INVESTMENT POLICY

San Lorenzo Valley Water District is committed to the establishment of formal policies relative to the prudent investment of the District's unexpended cash. The Board of Directors by resolution shall establish written guidelines for the investment of all San Lorenzo Valley Water District funds or funds in the custody of the District, in a manner which conforms to all state and local statutes governing the investment of public funds. Said guidelines shall provide for an optimal combination of safety, liquidity and yield. The District's Investment Policy and, any amendments thereto, shall be adopted by resolution of the Board of Directors. The Investment Policy shall be reviewed at a Board of Directors meeting in December of each calendar year or as soon thereafter as reasonable.

#### 25. ANNUAL DISCLOSURE OF REIMBURSEMENTS

The District shall annually disclose any reimbursements paid by the San Lorenzo Valley Water District of at least one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for each individual charge for services or products received. The Board of Directors shall review said reimbursement information for the preceding fiscal year (July 1 - June 30) at a regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting in September of each calendar year.

#### 26. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Any of the within policies not required by law may be altered, amended, or repealed by a majority of the Board at a duly authorized meeting.

#### 27. ANNUAL REVIEW

This Board of Directors Policy Manual shall be reviewed at least annually and ratified by Resolution of the Board of Directors at a Board of Directors meeting, at least in December of each calendar year or as soon thereafter as reasonable.

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#### SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 27 (18-19)

SUBJECT: BOARD POLICY MANUAL 2019

WHEREAS, on December 13, 2018, the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District adopted Resolution No. 22 (18-19) Board of Directors Policy Manual 2019; and

WHEREAS, on January 3 and 17, 2019 the Board of Directors reviewed the Policy Manual and agreed to revisions, adopting Resolution No. 26 (18-19); and

WHEREAS, the proper functioning of the District Board and Board Meetings is critical to proper functioning of the District; and

WHEREAS, an adopted set of rules and procedures assist in the proper functioning of the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board of directors as a whole, agrees with the Policy Manual and agrees to follow said Policy Manual;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District that the Board adopts and approves the revised 2019 San Lorenzo Valley Water District Board of Directors Policy Manual.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, on the 7th day of February 2019, by the following vote of the members thereof:

AYES:

Fultz, Swan, Smallman, Henry Bruce

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Holly B. Hossack District Secretary

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#### SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 28 (18-19)

## AWARD OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR LOMPICO PRV REPLACEMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS, on June 1, 2016 Lompico County Water District consolidated with San Lorenzo Valley Water District; and

WHEREAS, as part of the consolidation Assessment District 2016-01 was formed to provide funding for water system improvements including 8 PRVs; and

WHEREAS, the Final Engineering Report for the project determined that only 6 PRVs needed replacement; and

WHEREAS, in response to Notice Inviting Bids the District received 3 bids for replacement with Earthworks Paving Contractors, Inc. being the lowest.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors ("Board") of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District do hereby award construction bid for replacement of Lompico PRVs to Earthworks Paving Contractors, Inc. for a total of \$468,000.00.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, on the 21st day of February, 2019 by the following vote of the members thereof:

AYES:

Smallman, Fultz, Swan, Henry

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Bruce

Holly B. Hossack

Secretary of the Board

San Lorenzo Valley Water District

#### SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 29 (18-19)**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS AND DETERMINATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LYON AND SEQUOIA AVENUE PIPELINES PROJECT, FOR WHICH AN INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION WAS PREPARED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT; AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT MANAGER TO PROCEED WITH IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LYON AND SEQUOIA AVENUE PIPELINES PROJECT; ADOPTING A MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; AND DIRECTING THE DISTRICT MANAGER TO FILE A NOTICE OF DETERMINATION WITH THE SANTA CRUZ COUNTY CLERK

WHEREAS, the San Lorenzo Valley Water District ("District") intends to construct the Lyon and Sequoia Avenue Pipelines Project consisting of installation and operation of approximately 6,400 linear feet (LF) of potable water pipelines and appurtenance structures as well as abandonment of an existing pipeline and removal of approximately 800 LF of existing pipeline within two locations. The purpose of the proposed pipelines is to reduce water losses, improve the adequacy and resiliency of the existing water supply system, and reduce routine maintenance and repair impacts to private property and environmentally-sensitive habitat; and

WHEREAS, the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970, as amended ("CEQA") requires that, in the approval of a project for which a mitigated negative declaration has been prepared, the decision-making body shall review the mitigated negative declaration and make certain findings regarding the significant effects on the environment identified in the mitigated negative declaration; and

WHEREAS, such decision-making body in this circumstance is the San Lorenzo Valley Water District Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, the Lyon and Sequoia Avenue Pipelines Project is the subject of an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration entitled "Lyon and Sequoia Avenue Pipelines Project Initial Study Mitigated Negative Declaration" ("IS-MND") (SCH #2019012039), prepared by the District as lead agency under CEQA, in connection with implementation of the Lyon and Sequoia Avenue Pipelines Project; and

WHEREAS, the District published a Notice of Intent to adopt an IS-MND in the Santa Cruz Sentinel newspaper on January 22, 2019, and the draft MND was circulated to responsible agencies and other parties, including the County of Santa Cruz and the State Clearinghouse and Planning Unit of the Governor's Office of Planning and Research on January 22, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the District did not receive any comments on the draft MND; and

WHEREAS, the MND concluded that implementation of the Lyon and Sequoia Avenue Pipelines Project could result in several potentially significant effects on the environment, and further identified mitigation measures that would reduce any potentially significant effects to a less than significant level; and

WHEREAS, such mitigation measures are set forth in a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program ("MMRP") prepared by the District, as lead agency, together with and as part of the MND; and

WHEREAS, with the incorporation and implementation of measures contained in the MMRP into the Lyon and Sequoia Avenue Pipelines Project, any potentially significant effects on the environment arising from the Lyon and Sequoia Avenue Pipelines Project will be reduced to a less than significant level; and

WHEREAS, the District Board of Directors hereby certifies that it has considered the proposed MND and MMRP and the information contained within, together with comments received thereto; and

WHEREAS, the MND and the MMRP for the Lyon and Sequoia Avenue Pipelines Project is hereby incorporated into this Resolution as if fully set forth herein;

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. The District Board of Directors makes the following findings: (a) on the basis of the whole record before the Board (including the initial study, the MND together with the MMRP, comments received in connection thereto, and other information in the record), there is no substantial evidence that the Lyon and Sequoia Avenue Pipelines Project will have a significant effect on the environment; (b) the MND together with the MMRP prepared for the Lyon and Sequoia Avenue Pipelines Project have been completed in compliance with CEQA and consistent with State CEQA Guidelines; (c) the Board has independently reviewed and analyzed the MND together with the MMRP, comments received thereto and other information in the record, prior to its approval of the Lyon and Sequoia Avenue Pipelines Project and this Resolution; and (d) the MND together with the MMRP reflects the District's independent judgment and analysis as a lead agency.
- 2. The Board hereby adopts the MND, together with the mitigation, monitoring and reporting measures contained in the MMRP, prepared for the Lyon and Sequoia Avenue Pipelines Project. The Board further designates the District's Secretary at the District's office, located at 13060 Highway 9, Boulder Creek, California 95006, as the custodian of documents and record of proceedings on which this decision is based.
- 3. The Board approves the Lyon and Sequoia Avenue Pipelines Project and authorizes the District's District Manager to proceed with implementation of the Lyon and Sequoia Avenue Pipelines Project.

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- 4. The Board authorizes and directs the District Manager to file a Notice of Determination with the office of the Santa Cruz County Clerk in accordance with the provisions of CEQA.
- 5. The foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein as if fully set forth.

**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this 21st day of February, 2019, by the following vote:

AYES:

Smallman, Fultz, Swan, Henry

NOES:

ABSENT:

Bruce

ABSTAIN:

Lois Henry, President

ATTEST:

Holly Hossack, District Secretary

## SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 30 (18-19) CENSURE OF DIRECTOR SMALLMAN FOR VIOLATIONS OF SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT'S RESPECTFUL WORKPLACE POLICY

WHEREAS, on December 13, 2018, the Board of Directors (Board) of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District (District) unanimously approved Resolution No. 20 (18-19), which re-adopts the District's Respectful Workplace Policy (Policy) for 2019, and affirms the District's commitment to creating and sustaining a professional and respectful work and public service environment free from violence, discrimination, and other offensive or degrading conduct; and

WHEREAS, the Policy defines "discriminatory behavior" to include inappropriate remarks about or conduct related to a person's race, color, creed, religion, national origin, disability, sex, marital status, age, sexual orientation, or status with regard to public assistance; and the Policy further explains that such behavior can cause a disruption in the workplace and may be unlawful in many instances; and

WHEREAS, on February 23, 2019, Director Smallman posted a comment to social media stating, "Good thing SLVWD is leading by example, and showing that anybody that uses this crap is both really stupid and lazy, and probably gay"; and in publicly attempting to explain this comment Director Smallman made references to "stupid . . . ranchers" and "rednecks"; and

WHEREAS, such comments constitute prohibited discriminatory behavior under the District's Policy and are totally at odds with the commitment of the Board and District to create and sustain a professional and respectful work and public service environment; and

WHEREAS, the Board has inherent authority to censure its members for serious violations of law or policy; and the Board may exercise this authority by a motion adopting a resolution approved by a majority of its members; and

WHEREAS, Director Smallman was given notice of these proceedings on February 26, 2019; and he responded with written comments that have been reviewed and considered by the Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board once again affirms its commitment to creating and sustaining a public service environment free from discrimination and other offensive or degrading conduct; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board hereby censures Director Smallman for violations of the District's Respectful Workplace Policy and admonishes him to refrain from making further public comments that may be perceived as violations of the Policy and to endeavor to uphold, along with the entire Board, the highest ideals of government service. PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, on the 28th day of February, 2019 by the following vote of the members thereof:

AYES:

Bruce, Fultz, Swan, Henry

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Smallman

Holly B. Hossack

**District Secretary** 

San Lorenzo Valley Water District

#### SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

**RESOLUTION NO. 31 (18-19)** 

SUBJECT: QUAIL HOLLOW/OLYMPIA WELLS REHABILITATION

WHEREAS, the District's Quail Hollow Well 5A and Olympia Well 3 have been losing water production over the past three years; and

WHEREAS, the loss of production has been determined to be a result of plugging from Iron Bacteria; and

WHEREAS, rehabilitation is needed to clear the Well column of this Iron Bacteria causing reduction in production; and

WHEREAS, District Rules and Regulations, Article XIV, Section 14.07 (a) Waiver of Provisions, states "Notwithstanding any other provision of these rules, the Board by four-fifths (4/5) vote may waive as to individual purchases, the competitive bidding requirements".

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Directors waives competitive bidding and authorizes the District Manager to execute an agreement with Martin B. Feeney Consulting Hydrogeologist for hydrogeological oversight services of Quail Hollow Well 5A and Olympia Well 3 rehabilitation, and authorize the District Manager to enter into a contract in the amount of \$38,100.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, on the 7th day of March 2019, by the following vote of the members thereof:

AYES:

Smallman, Fultz, Swan, Henry, Bruce

NOES: ABSTAIN: ABSENT:

Holly B. Hossack

Secretary of the Board

San Lorenzo Valley Water District

#### SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 32 (18-19)

#### SUBJECT: RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION FOR DIRECTOR BRUCE

WHEREAS, on July 5, 2012 Margaret Bruce was appointed to the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District; and

WHEREAS, Director Bruce faithfully and continuously served in her capacity on the Board of Directors for a period of 7 years, in 2014 and 2015 as the president of the Board; and

WHEREAS, Director Bruce began working with the District as a member of the Education Program Advisory Commission; and

WHEREAS, Director Bruce was dedicated to the proper management and protection of the District's Watershed Property and the environmental health of the entire San Lorenzo River Watershed; and

WHEREAS, Director Bruce was instrumental in the District earning a Transparency Certificate of Excellence and improving outreach to the public; and

WHEREAS, Director Bruce was instrumental in setting the District up for a financially viable future to fund capital improvements and build reserves; and

WHEREAS, Director Bruce was involved in the Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency and its formation, serving as the District's alternate representative;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District that Margaret V. Bruce be commended and thanked for her years of dedicated service, that she has the respect of all who have worked with her and that her efforts and dedication will be sorely missed.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, County of Santa Cruz, State of California, on the 29th day of May, 2019 by the following vote of the members thereof:

AYES:

Smallman, Farris, Fultz, Henry, Swan

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Holly B. Hossack, District Secretary San Lorenzo Valley Water District

#### SAN LORENZO VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 33 (18-19)**

SUBJECT: ADOPTION OF FISCAL YEAR BUDGET 2019-2020

WHEREAS, a proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 has been prepared by Staff; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee considered and reviewed the proposed budget at their April 9, May 7 and June 4, 2019 committee meetings; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors considered and reviewed the proposed budget at their May 29, 2019 special Board of Directors meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has reviewed and considered the status of all designated Reserve Funds,

NOW, THERFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District that the Budget for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 is adopted, the District Manager is hereby authorized and directed to implement said budget in the amount of \$19.8 million dollars in total expenditures.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Lorenzo Valley Water District, County of Santa Cruz, State of California on the 20th of June, 2019 by the following vote of the members thereof:

AYES:

Farris, Swan, Henry, Fultz

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Smallman

Holly B. Hossack, District Secretary San Lorenzo Valley Water District