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**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
JUNE 28, 2021 – 9:00 A.M.
VIA ZOOM**

President Brown called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. Monday, June 28, 2021. Roll call followed.

DIRECTORS PRESENT

(via videoconference): **Brown, Forni, Ives, Witherspoon**

DIRECTORS ABSENT: **Moll**

STAFF PRESENT: **Rosenthal, Staudenmayer, Gibeaut, Goates, Bailey**

OTHERS PRESENT

(via videoconference): **Austin Cho, Mike Plishner, Brittany Brady, Don Schreuder, Jerusha Hall**

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 21-12 A RESOLUTION REQUESTING CONSOLIDATION OF ELECTION AND ORDERING SUCH ELECTION, FOR AN ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE NORTHSTAR COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT WILDFIRE PREVENTION ZONE ON NOVEMBER 2, 2021 FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUBMITTING TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS THE QUESTION OF THE ADOPTION OF A SPECIAL TAX FOR REDUCING THE RISK OF WILDFIRE AND IMPROVING LOCAL WILDFIRE PREVENTION, TO ADOPT INTENDED BALLOT LANGUAGE, TO APPROVE AN INCREASE IN THE DISTRICT'S SPENDING LIMIT, AND TO REQUEST ELECTION SERVICES BY THE PLACER COUNTY ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT

General Manager (GM) Mike Staudenmayer stated District staff consulted with Northstar Property Owners Association (NPOA) representatives to amend the certain aspects of the proposed measure elements to allow for more curbside greenwaste disposal service and matching funds for landowners of perproperties within the 300-foot fuel break areas for fuels reduction compliance projects. Projects within the compliance zone will be given priority as well.

Community Risk Reduction Chief (CRRC) Jason Gibeaut stated the compliance zone or fuels reduction zone is within 300 feet of the property line of parcels containing structures as defined by Ordinance 35-19. Beyond 300 feet of the property line would be considered outside of the fuels reduction zone, and would be funded by measure proceeds as available.

Director Forni inquired about how the fuels reduction zone would apply to a property where the property line ends ten feet from the structure.

CRRC Gibeaut stated single family residences and condo properties are subject to defensible space requirements and will not be provided funding from the measure to gain compliance.

President Brown inquired about the matching funds and who would be eligible to receive those matching funds.

GM Staudenmayer stated the match would go towards to owners such as NPOA who are responsible for compliance work in common areas between subdivisions because the land falls within the 300 foot fuels reduction zone. This amendment to the original proposed measure elements enriches the overall program to make it more comprehensive.

NPOA Board President, Mike Plishner stated that concerns with the initial proposal were addressed through meeting with District staff.

Director Ives inquired about the curbside green waste service.

GM Staudenmayer stated that the curbside green waste service will be a contracted service and the details are still in the process of being formulated. The proposal would entail five curbside chipping events in two week intervals early in the season to dispose of curbside green waste generated through routine defensible space maintenance of properties. Contracted defensible space project green waste will not be accepted for this service.

Director Witherspoon moved to approve Resolution 21-12 “A Resolution Requesting Consolidation of Election and Ordering Such Election, For an Election to be Held in the Northstar Community Services District Wildfire Prevention Zone on November 2, 2021 for the Purpose of Submitting to the Qualified Voters the Question of the Adoption of a Special Tax for Reducing the Risk of Wildfire and Improving Local Wildfire Prevention, to Adopt Intended Ballot Language, to Approve an Increase in the District’s Spending Limit, and to Request Election Services by the Placer County Elections Department. Director Ives seconded, roll call was taken, Yes: Directors Brown, Forni, Ives, and Witherspoon. Noes: None. Abstain. None. Absent: Moll. The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CAL FIRE U.S. FOREST SERVICE WOOD INNOVATION GRANT AGREEMENT

GM Staudenmayer stated District staff applied for \$250,000 in grant funding under the USDA Forest Service Wood Innovations Grant (WIG) Program. Recipients of the grant will not be selected until late summer of 2021 but in support of the Biomass Utilization project, the USDA Forest Service Team identified a way to allocate WIG funds previously awarded to CAL Fire that would otherwise go unused since CAL Fire’s project is no longer being pursued.

Director Ives moved to approve CAL Fire U.S. Forest Service Wood Innovation Grant Agreement. Director Forni seconded. Yes: Directors Brown, Forni, Ives, and Witherspoon. Noes: None. Abstain. None. Absent: Moll. The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCING SYSTEM FOR DISTRICT BOARD ROOM

GM Staudenmayer stated that as we emerge from restrictions put in place by executive order of the Governor, the District has realized the benefits of offering a better way for the Board, staff and public having a continuing option to attend meetings via Zoom videoconference software. The proposed conferencing system will integrate with the existing audio visual equipment in the District Board Room.

GIS/IT Coordinator Steve Goates stated that Diversified Systems International (DSI) install the original audio visual system in the Board Room. DSI has proposed a system to integrate the Zoom Video Conferencing system with the District’s existing microphones and video capabilities. With the installation of this system, physical board meeting attendees will be able to see Zoom videoconference attendees on the televisions in the Board Room. The installation of this system in the Board Room will cost the District \$9,812.

Director Witherspoon inquired about the cost versus benefit of this system based on the number of regular attendees of the Board Meetings.

GM Staudenmayer stated from an industry perspective, other agencies either had existing videoconference equipment, or are migrating to availability of these systems.

Director of Finance and Administration (DFA) Greg Rosenthal stated the system would provide efficiency in accommodating future participation by videoconference rather than managing the aspects of both “in-person” and videoconference from a single-user computer.

Director Ives inquired about what would the public see from this system.

GIS/IT Coordinator Goates stated that the public would see the Board Room as a whole from a wide-view camera mounted on the wall and a separate camera for any speakers at the podium.

Director Ives inquired if the agenda item could be tabled.

GM Staudenmayer stated if the Board wanted to hold a hybrid meeting in July it would be prudent to act on the agenda item.

Director Witherspoon stated that in the interest of transparency and expectation, the public has come to expect access via a videoconferencing system.

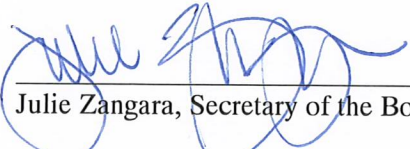
GM Staudenmayer stated that transparency and access are important factors in the implementation of this Zoom Video Conferencing System.

Director Witherspoon moved to approve Zoom Video Conferencing System for District Board Room. Director Ives seconded. Yes: Directors Brown, Forni, Ives, and Witherspoon. Noes: None. Abstain. None. Absent: Moll. The motion carried.

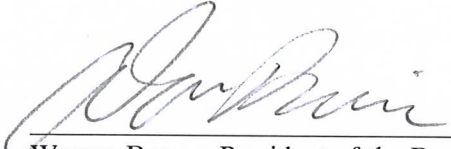
ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 9:52 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Julie Zangara, Secretary of the Board



Warren Brown, President of the Board