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## LEUCADIA WASTEWATER DISTRICT

Minutes of an Engineering Committee Meeting December 6, 2023

A meeting of the Engineering Committee (EC) of Leucadia Wastewater District (LWD or District) was held on Wednesday, December 6, 2023 at 11:00 a.m., at the LWD Administration Office located at 1960 La Costa Avenue, Carlsbad, California.

#### 1. Call to Order

Chairperson Saldana called the meeting to order at 10:59 a.m.

#### 2. Roll Call

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

Saldana, Omsted

DIRECTORS ABSENT:

None

OTHERS PRESENT:

General Manager Paul Bushee; Director of Technical Services Robin Morishita; Field Services Superintendent Marvin Gonzalez; Field Services Supervisor Gabe Mendez; Field Services Supervisor Mauricio Avalos; Project Coordinator Ian Riffel; and Steven Henderson from Dexter

Wilson Engineering, Inc.(DWEI)

### 3. Public Comment

None.

#### 4. New Business

Receive and file the FY2023 Audit of the District's 2019 Sewer System Management Plan.

FSS Gonzalez and Mr. Steven Henderson from Dexter Wilson Engineering, Inc. (DWEI) presented this item to the EC.

FSS Gonzalez provided a brief background about the State of California (State) issued Waste Discharge Requirements (WDR) and LWD's Sewer System Management Plan (SSMP).

Chairperson Saldana inquired about the original adoption and implementation dates for the WDR and SSMP. DTS Morishita explained that although the WDR Original General Order was adopted by the State in 2006, the State's deadline for the District's initial SSMP implementation was 2009.

FSS Gonzalez stated that LWD conducts an annual audit which exceeds regulatory requirements. He also stated that the completion of the audit is a tactical goal. He then introduced Mr. Henderson to present the SSMP audit results.

Mr. Henderson provided background information on the WDR revision, LWD's SSMP, and the audit requirements. He noted that the SSMP and the annual audits are to ensure the proper operation and maintenance of collection systems to reduce the number and volume of sewer spills.

Chairperson Saldana asked why the CCTV and hydro-cleaning miles per fiscal year fluctuated between FY19 and FY23. Staff answered that the fluctuations were related

to the District being understaffed, maintenance efforts on major sewer trunk lines, and FOG inspections performed by field services.

Director Omsted asked how many of the restaurants typically fail a LWD FOG inspection. PC Riffel replied that approximately one-third of restaurants fail the inspection and that staff works with them to bring them into compliance.

Mr. Henderson continued that the general audit findings were that the District's activities, programs, and efforts meet or exceed the SSMP requirements and that no changes to the SSMP are needed at this time.

Following discussion, the EC concurred with staff to recommend that the Board of Directors receive and file the audit and to place this item on the Board's consent calendar.

### 5. Information Items

DTS Morishita provided an update on the San Marcos Creek Pipeline Emergency Repair.

Chairperson Saldana asked about the future of the gabion baskets since the repair is only temporary. GM Bushee explained the gabion baskets will be removed from the creek once permanent repair efforts are complete.

## 6. Directors' Comments

Direct Omsted mentioned that Field Services Technician II Johnny Montoya did an excellent job presenting at the last Board Meeting. Director Omsted praised staff for supporting FST II Montoya.

## 7. General Manager's Comments

GM Bushee mentioned that on November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023, the District passed a 4-year no spill milestone. He commended staff on a great job.

# 8. Adjournment

Chairperson Saldana adjourned the meeting at approximately 12:00 p.m.

Paul J. Bushee, Secretary/Manager

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