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LOS OLIVOS COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT TECHNICAL SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING July 30, 2024 – 8:30 AM

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St Mark's in the Valley Episcopal Church 2901 Nojoqui Ave, Los Olivos CA 93441

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Subcommittee Members: Director Fayram (Chair), Directors Parks, and General Manager Guy Savage

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MEETING AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Fayram calls the meeting to order at: 8:30 AM

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Fayram, Director Parks, GM Savage

Absent: None

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Members of the public may address the Subcommittee on any items of interest within the subject matter and jurisdiction of the Board but not on the agenda today (Gov. Code - 54954.3). The public may also request future agenda topics at this time. Speakers are limited to a maximum of 3 minutes. Due to the requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act, the Subcommittee cannot take action today on any matter not on the agenda, but a matter raised during Public Comments can be referred to District staff for discussion and possible action at a future meeting. Chair Fayram opens the floor to public comment.

Michelle de Werd speaks.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

All matters listed hereunder constitute an administrative / consent agenda and will be acted upon by a single vote of the Board. Matters listed on the Consent Agenda will be read only on the request of a member of the Subcommittee, in which event the matter may be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered as a separate item. Public may comment on any of the items prior to the vote being taken by the Subcommittee.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

A. MINUTES APPROVAL

Approval of the minutes from June 28, 2024.

Los Olivos Community Services District, P.O. Box 345, Los Olivos, CA 93441, (805) 500-4098

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Chair Fayram opens the floor to public comment.

Kathryn Rohrer speaks.

Motion to approve the minutes from June 28, 2024. Motion by: Director Parks, Second: Chair Fayram

Voice vote: 3-0

BUSINESS ITEMS:

All matters listed hereunder will be acted upon separately and public comment will be held for each item. As a Subcommittee of the full Board of Directors, Business Items may include one or more recommendations for further discussion or action at a full Board of Directors meeting.

5. DISCUSSION RELATED TO THE UPCOMING AUGUST 21, 2024 COMMUNITY WORKSHOP ON COLLECTION AND TREATMENT OPTIONS

The Subcommittee will discuss the upcoming August 21, 2024 workshop and potential content for the workshop. The General Manager will provide an update on actions already taken. He will also seek input from the Subcommittee on areas he still needs help defining.

GM Savage outlines what is planned for the workshop, including all of the planned outside attendees from REGEN, Stantec, Cloacina, Orenco, and others.

Chair Fayram opens the floor to public comment.

Kathryn Rohrer and Michelle de Werd speak.

Director Parks comments about REGEN expertise as it relates to treatment. Director Fayram comments on the separation of collection and treatment, and that this workshop is focused on collection. He adds that he hopes that the experts will be there after the workshop to continue to answer questions. GM Savage comments that REGEN and Stantec are the experts who will be there to present and answer questions from an independant, unbiased perspective. He adds that the workshop will use a professional facilitator. He comments that there will be large prints of images that show gravity systems, effluent systems, the district, and more.

Chair Fayram reopens the floor to public comment.

Mark Herthel speaks.

Director Fayram comment on perceptions of collection and treatment and the voters in the District. He adds that a separation between collection and treatment is appropriate and that the workshop will be insightful. Director Parks adds his comments about costs and the importance of understanding them.

GM Savage comments on his perspective the four key pieces of information that he and the public needs – effluent collection, gravity fed collection, Solvang treatment, and local treatment. He notes that the costs are not truly caparable as they were generated at different times; but, that they do provide a good sense of the costs.

6. DISCUSSION REGARDING POSSIBLE LOCSD CONNECTION TO THE CITY OF SOLVANG'S WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT AND RELATED INFRASTRUCTURE, INCLUDING WSC AND CAROLLO CONTRACTED EFFORTS

The Subcommittee will discuss potential connection to the City of Solvang, including technical issues raised by connection, requests from the two contractors who the LOCSD has engaged to perform studies related to the connection.

GM Savage comments on the two contracts, adding that both contractors are still on target to delivery on the timeline requested by the Board of Directors (meaning October / November of this year).

Chair Fayram opens the floor to public comment.

Kathryn Rohrer and Paul Rohrer speak.

Director Parks comments on the flows and what we are asking WSC to calculate. GM Savage comments that engineers like to use maximum numbers to determine system capability. He adds that the District does not have planning authority, that resides with the County.

DE Pike comments on flow calculations done by AECOM, Walace Group, Stantec, REGEN, and others. He comments on "peaking" flow calculations. He adds that "maximum buildout" flow calculations have been based on current zoning. He closes his comments by saying you want ot hit a sweet spot, neither too high or too low.

7. GENERAL DISCUSSION OF COLLECTION, TREATMENT, AND DISPOSAL OPTIONS

The Subcommittee will discuss options for the collection, treatment, and disposal of wastewater for the District. Given the Regen contract, this discussion will focus heavily on Treatment options, including Membrane Bioreactor (MBR), connection to Solvang's treatment plant, and other solutions previously brought up by members of the public.

Chair Fayram reminds everyone that President Kennedy has asked the subcommittee to look at reconfirming costs and approaches to treatment. GM Savage comments that we could ask REGEN and/or Cloacina to attend our next meeting. DE Pike comments that the subcommittee needs to focus on at least secondary treatment, and potentially some level of tertiary treatment. Chair Fayram comments that scalability to level of treatment is an important consideration.

Chair Fayram opens the floor to public comment.

Kathryn Rohrer to speaks.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adourn at: 9:22 AM

Motion by Director Parks, Second: Chair Fayram.

Voice Vote: 3-0

Respectfully submitted:

Guy W. Savage

General Manager - Los Olivos Community Services District

Approved:

Director Tom Fayram