Zapata Co. WCID Special Board Meeting Monday, August 7th, 2023

The special meeting of the Board of Directors of Zapata County Water Control & Improvement District (Highway 16E) convened on August 7, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. at the office of the District, pursuant to notice duly given as required by law.

- 1. Vice-President Jesse Porras called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M.
- 2. Present were: Jesse Porras, Ramiro Ramirez, Jr., Sergio Lozano, Mireya Bustamante, Office Manager and Neida Guerra, Office Assistant. Directors Dr. Hildegardo Flores and Jaime Gonzalez were absent.
- 3. It was noted that notice of this meeting was duly given as required by law.
- 4. Public Comment Period. No one appeared. No comment was received in any form prior to the meeting.
- 5. Proposed Budget: It was noted that the budget proposed for fiscal year beginning September 1, 2023 and the tax rate proposed for 2023 must each be given a preliminary approval, and final approval given at a meeting held no less than five (5) days after the required Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Rate is published in the newspaper. The proposed budget was presented and reviewed. The motion was made by Mr. Lozano and seconded by Mr. Ramirez, that the proposed budget be given a preliminary approval and that the final approval of the budget be considered at the meeting held on August 30, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. following a discussion, the motion unanimously carried.
- 6. Tax Rate: The motion was made by Mr. Ramirez and seconded by Mr. Lozano that (1) for 2023, it is proposed that the District adopt a tax rate of \$0.38 per \$100 valuation (remaining the same as the previous year), (2) the required Public Hearing on Tax Rate be held during the August 30, 2023 meeting, and (3) the required Notice of Public Hearing be published as required by law. Following a discussion, the motion unanimously carried.
- 7. Personnel: Discussion and action to be taken for employee's wage increases to be tabled for next regular board meeting.
- 8. Annexation: Hearing on Consuelo's Angeles request for service to be tabled for next regular Board meeting.
- 9. Zapata Waterworks Attorney report on boundary issue. This item tabled for the next regular Board meeting.

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10. Adjournment: It was noted that the Public Hearing on Tax Rate and the next Regular Board meeting will be held on August 30, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:57 a.m.

<u>9/27/23</u> Date Approved

Jesse Porras, Vice-President

Ramiro Ramirez, Jr., Secretary