Zapata Co. WCID Special Board Meeting Wednesday, August 6th, 2025

The special meeting of the Board of Directors of Zapata County Water Control & Improvement District (Highway 16E) convened on , August 6^{th} , 2025 at 10:00 a.m. at the office of the District, pursuant to notice duly given as required by law.

- 1. Jesse Porras called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M.
- 2. Present were Jesse Porras, Sergio Lozano and Gabriela De Los Santos. Also present were Mireya Bustamante, Office Manager, and Veronica Bustamante, Office Assistant. Ramiro Ramirez, Jr., and Santiago Hernandez were absent.
- 3. Certification of Meeting Notice. It was determined that the notice of the date, place, and time of meeting was posted in accordance with Texas Government Code 551.043.
- 4. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance. Jesse Porras led the Board in the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 5. Public Comment Period. No one appeared. No comment was received in any form prior to the meeting.
- 6. Proposed Budget: It was noted that the budget proposed for fiscal year beginning September 1, 2025, and the tax rate proposed for 2025 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 Sergio Lozano and seconded by Gabriela De Los Santos, 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 27, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. following a discussion, the motion was unanimously carried.
- 7. Tax Rate: The motion was made by Sergio Lozano and seconded by Gabriela De Los Santos that (1) for 2025, it is proposed that the District adopt a tax rate of \$0.39 per \$100 valuation, (2) the required Public Hearing on Tax Rate be held during the August 27, 2025, meeting, and (3) the required Notice of Public Hearing be published as required by law. Following a discussion, the motion unanimously carried.
- 8. Personnel: Discussion and action to be taken for employee's wage increases to be tabled for next regular board meeting.
- 9. Adjournment: It was noted that the Public Hearing on Tax Rate and the next Regular Board meeting will be held on August 27, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

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Date Approved

Ramiro Ramirez, Jr., President

Jesse Porras, Secretary