

MINUTES
Of the Board Meeting conducted on February 26, 2021

Take notice that a Board Meeting of the Board of Directors of Hidalgo County Irrigation District Number Six was held at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, February 26, 2021, at the Hidalgo County Irrigation District Number Six office located at 3735 N. FM 492, Mission, Texas 78574.

- 1) The meeting was called to order by Mr. Santana Gutierrez at 01:30 p.m., February 26, 2021, at which time Mr. Gutierrez acknowledged the presence of the Elected Members of the Board of Hidalgo County Irrigation District No. Six.

Members present included:

Mr. Santana Gutierrez, Vice-President
Dr. Roberto Zamora, Director (video online)
Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza, Director (video online)

Member not present:

Ms. Diana Izaguirre, President
Mr. Brandon Thompson, Secretary

Also, present included:

Dr. Antonio Uresti, General Manager, HCID No.6
Mr. Rene Flores, Chief Financial Officer, HCID No.6 (video online)
Ms. Deborah Cordova, Attorney at Law, HCID No.6 (video online)
Ms. Minnie Mueller, Assistant, HCID No.6
Mr. Ruben James De Jesus, Engineer, HCID No.6
Mr. Walter Reyna, Walter Reyna, Inc.(video online)
Mr. Julio Cerda, South Texas Infrastructure Group (video online)
Mr. Victor Trevino, South Texas Infrastructure Group (video online)

A quorum of the members of the Hidalgo County Irrigation District No. Six being present, the meeting was duly convened. The Pledge of Allegiance followed by Invocation was presented by Dr. Roberto Zamora, HCID No.6, Director.

- 2) Recognition of visitors and public comments.
- 3) Certification of Posting for the Board Meeting.

General Manager confirmed that the Certification of the Board Meeting was posted at the Hidalgo County Court House, HCID No.6 lobby and the place convenient to the public in the bulletin board at HCID No.6, 3735 N FM 492, Mission, Texas 78572 at 9:40 a.m., February 23, 2020.

- 4) Manager's Items:

- a) Pump Station Beautification Project

General Manager shared with Board Members before and after pictures of pump station. Pump has been cleaned and entire facility is now safe as well.

- b) Requests for Qualifications of a CPA firm for the 2020 fiscal year audit update

General Manager informed Board Members of the no response to public notice of CPA Request for Qualification. District reached out to neighboring districts and received different CPA's contact information in order to solicit.

- 5) Minutes

Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza made a motion and seconded by Dr. Roberto Zamora to table Items 5a, 5b, 5c, 5d.

Motion carried unanimously.

- a) Approval of Minutes for the Special Meeting of November 02, 2020.
 - b) Approval of Minutes for the Special Meeting of November 09, 2020.
 - c) Approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting of November 18, 2020.
 - d) Approval of Minutes for Regular Meeting of December 16, 2020.
- 6) Discuss and consider the approval of a request made by General Manager for employee overtime to reconstruct North 4B canal.

General Manager mentioned to Board Members of North 4B canal supplying water to north bound customers and this canal is in desperate need of reconstruction due to major water seepage. Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza made a motion and seconded by Dr. Roberto to table this item and discuss in executive session.

Motion carried unanimously.

- 7) Discuss and consider the request made by *South Texas Infrastructure* on behalf of Frankhauser Farms, regarding *Las Comadres No. 8 Subdivision* being a 59.34-acre tract of land, more or less, out of Block 16, Texan Gardens, Hidalgo County, Texas, as per map or plat thereof recorded in Volume 8, Pages 57-58, Map Records, Hidalgo County, Texas.

HCID No. 6 Engineer presented a request made by South Texas Infrastructure to open and cut the canal instead of boring due to rock discovered at time of digging as well as being as safety reasons. Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza made a motion and seconded by Dr. Roberto Zamora to table this item and will be discuss in executive session.

Motion carried unanimously.

- 8) Discuss and consider a request made by Mr. Onefre Rios & Ma De Lourdes, to address the Board of Directors regarding assessments, penalties and interest owed, being 5.68 acres out of Bentsen Groves Lot #108S. **(FR:8752)**

This item was not discussed.

- 9) Discuss and consider a request made by Mr. Pedro Ochoa, to address the Board of Directors regarding assessments, penalties and interest owed, being 9.0 acres out of Los Ejidos Subdivision, Lot #16, Hidalgo County. **(FR:5451)**

This item was not discussed.

- 10) Discuss and consider authorizing General Manager, Dr. Antonio Uresti, Investment Officer, to invest Texas Regional Bank funds to Certificate of Deposits governed by Subchapter A, Chapter 2256, and Government Code Public Funds Investment Act.

Chief Financial Officer recommended for funds to be transferred to Texas Regional Bank, Money Market account to allow time for further discussion as to what form of investment would be more visible for the District. Dr. Roberto Zamora made a motion and seconded by Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza to transfer CD monies maturing February 22, 2021 to Texas Regional Bank, Money Market account.

Motion carried unanimously.

- 11) Discuss and consider the approval of amending HCID No. 6 Employee Handbook indicating a PTO (paid time off) due to inclement weather.

This item was not discussed.

12) **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Dr. Roberto Zamora made a motion and seconded by Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza to enter into closed session at 3:18 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.

- a) Discussion on audit and audit procedure.
- b) Discussion regarding **IOC** contract renewal proposals.
- c) Discussion regarding the **Xylem** services invoice, for the La Joya Bypass project.
- d) Discussion regarding the employment of HCID No.6, Chief Financial Officer, Rere Flores.
- e) Discussion regarding In re **Frontera Holdings LLC, et al.**, Case No. 20-30354, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas (Houston Division).
- f) Discussion regarding **Joe Louis Aguilar, Sr. vs HCID No.6**, Cause C-1216-20-D in the 206th Judicial District Court, Hidalgo County, Texas.
- g) Discussion regarding **Martha Salinas vs. HCID No.6**, EEOC Charge No. 451-2020- 01375.
- h) Discussion regarding **Normalinda Contreras vs. HCID No.6**, EEOC Charge No. 451-2020-01865.
- i) Discussion regarding **Hidalgo County, Texas vs. Dionicio Garza, Jr.; Bank of America, NA, as Judgement Holder; and HCID No.6, as Easement Holder**, Cause No. CC5—0570-E.
- j) Discussion regarding a request made by **Sendero Acquisitions, LP.**, on behalf of the **Texas Department of Transportation**, regarding the proposed taking of a tract of land containing 0.0607 of an acre (2,645 sq. ft.) situated in the Jose Francisco De La Garza Survey, Abstract Number 579, and Porcion 52 of Hidalgo County, Texas being a portion of the Hidalgo County Irrigation District No. 6 Canal (100-foot right-of-way). (**Parcel 14**)
- k) Discussion regarding Offer to Sell Real Property letter received for the proposed partial acquisition being 9.109 acres out of a 167.628-acre tract, Hidalgo County, Texas, in association with the Border Infrastructure Project by Allen, Williford & Seale, Inc. on behalf of the **US Army Corps of Engineers**. (Parcel Number: RGV-MCS-1309).

Item #6. Discuss and consider the approval of a request made by General Manager for employee overtime to reconstruct North 4B canal.

Item #7. Discuss and consider the request made by **South Texas Infrastructure** on behalf of Frankhauser Farms, regarding **Las Comadres No. 8 Subdivision** being a 59.34-acre tract of land, more or less, out of Block 16, Texan Gardens, Hidalgo County, Texas, as per map or plat thereof recorded in Volume 8, Pages 57-58, Map Records, Hidalgo County, Texas.

Dr. Roberto Zamora made a motion for the Board of Directors to reconvene to open session at 4:22 p.m. and seconded by Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza.

Motion carried unanimously.

13) Discussion and possible action regarding items discussed in Executive Session.

Item #6. Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza made a motion and seconded by Dr. Roberto Zamora to take no action on this time.

Motion carried unanimously.

Item #7. Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza made a motion and seconded by Dr. Roberto Zamora to allow General Manager to develop an agreement in conjunction with legal counsel with the developer considering, allowed down time, safety contingencies and what is in the best interest to the District.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza made a motion to take no action for item numbers 12a, 12b, 12d, 12e, 12f, 12g, 2h, 12i.

Motion carried unanimously.

Item 12c. Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza made a motion and seconded by Dr. Roberto Zamora to approve proposed Xylem invoice.

Motion carried unanimously.

Item 12j. Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza made a motion and seconded by Dr. Robert Zamora to allow General Manager and counsel to move forward contingent on approved proposed language regarding access of the existing crossing.

Motion carried unanimously.

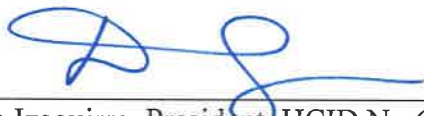
Item k. Dr. Roberto Zamora made a motion and seconded by Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza to take no action on this item.

Motion carried unanimously.

14) Adjournment

Mr. Oscar Arturo Garza made a motion and seconded by Dr. Roberto Zamora to adjourn the meeting of February 26, 2021 at 4:39 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.



Diana Izaguirre, President, HCID No.6



Brandon Thompson, Secretary, HCID No.6