

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
ORANGE COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT**

March 30, 2020

A special called meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange County Drainage District was held on Monday, March 30, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. at the Orange County Drainage District Administration Building located at 8081 Old Hwy 90, Orange, Texas. Due to the COVID-19 Coronavirus pandemic, and the suspension of certain provisions of the Texas Open Meetings statutes by Governor Greg Abbott, this special meeting of the Board of Directors was held by telephone conference call. Also, due to the social distancing orders and recommendations issued by federal, state and local authorities, and for the safety and welfare of the public and Drainage District staff, members of the public were allowed to attend and fully participate in the meeting by telephone conference call only, by calling the toll free number and entering the access code provided, as set forth in the Notice of Meeting.

DIRECTORS PRESENT BY TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL:

Brent Peveto	Director At Large
Russell Covington	Director, Precinct No. 1
J.B. Arrington	Director, Precinct No. 2
Randy Fuselier	Director, Precinct No. 3
Hal LaPray	Director, Precinct No. 4

DIRECTORS ABSENT:

None

OTHERS PRESENT:

Don Carona	General Manager
Austin Barrow	Superintendent
Cindy Pent	Recording Secretary
Martin Dies	Attorney (By telephone conference call)

MEETING OPENED

Mr. Peveto called the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange County Drainage District to order at 2:10 p.m.

VISITORS:

Members of the public attended the meeting by telephone conference call. There were no requests to address the Board of Directors or to make comments.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF AN ORDER POSTPONING THE MAY 2020 ELECTION OF DIRECTOR OF DRAINAGE PRECINCT 2 AND DIRECTOR OF DRAINAGE PRECINCT 3, FROM MAY 2, 2020 TO THE NOVEMBER 3, 2020 UNIFORM ELECTION DATE

Mr. Covington made a motion to approve an Order Postponing the May 2020 Election of Director of Drainage Precinct 2 and Director of Drainage Precinct 3, from May 2, 2020 to the November 3, 2020 uniform election date. Mr. LaPray seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION OF DOUGLAS E. MANNING, THE DISTRICT PURCHASER, TO OPEN THE SEALED PROPOSALS TIMELY SUBMITTED IN RESPONSE TO THE DISTRICT'S REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR GRANT APPLICATION AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES, (RFP-2020-01-CDBG-MIT), AT 4:00 P.M. ON MARCH 30, 2020, AND TO PROVIDE COPIES OF SUCH PROPOSALS TO THE EVALUATION COMMITTEE MEMBERS DESIGNATED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO REVIEW, SCORE, AND RANK SAID PROPOSALS AND PROVIDE SUCH EVALUATIONS TO THE BOARD FOR THE BOARD'S CONSIDERATION IN SELECTING THE SERVICE PROVIDER(S) TO BE RETAINED TO PROVIDE SUCH SERVICES

Mr. LaPray made a motion to approve the authorization of Douglas E. Manning, the District purchaser, to open the sealed proposals timely submitted in response to the District's Request for Proposals for Grant Application and Administrative Services, (RFP-2020-01-CDBG-MIT), at 4:00 p.m. on March 30, 2020, and to provide copies of such proposals to the evaluation committee members designated by the Board of Directors to review, score, and rank said proposals and provide such evaluations to the Board for the Board's consideration in selecting the service provider(s) to be retained to provide such services. Mr. Covington seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION AND DESIGNATION OF AN EVALUATION COMMITTEE, CONSISTING OF THE DISTRICT PURCHASER, GENERAL MANAGER AND ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER TO REVIEW, SCORE AND RANK ALL OF THE SUBMITTALS TIMELY RECEIVED IN RESPONSE TO THE DISTRICT'S REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR GRANT APPLICATION AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES, RFP-2020-01-CDBG-MIT, WHICH COMMITTEE WILL PROVIDE SUCH EVALUATIONS TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR CONSIDERATION, IN THE BOARD'S SOLE DISCRETION, IN SELECTING THE SERVICE PROVIDER(S) TO BE RETAINED TO PROVIDE SUCH SERVICES, CONSIDERING ALL OF THE CRITERIA SET FORTH IN SAID REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Mr. LaPray made a motion to designate an evaluation committee, consisting of the District Purchaser, General Manager and Assistant General Manager to review, score and rank all of the submittals timely received in response to the District's Request for Proposals for Grant Application and Administrative Services, RFP-2020-01-CDBG-MIT, which committee will provide such evaluations to the Board of Directors for consideration, in the Board's sole discretion, in selecting the service provider(s) to be retained to provide such services, considering all of the criteria set forth in said request for proposals. Mr. Fuselier seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE AVENUE A REPLAT OF LOT 4 AND LOT 5, BLOCK 4, WEST LAWN ADDITION, AND AUTHORIZATION OF THE OFFICE MANAGER TO SIGN SAID REPLAT, BY PERMISSION, FOR EACH DIRECTOR PARTICIPATING IN THE BOARD MEETING DURING WHICH THE APPROVAL OF SAID PLAT IS GRANTED.

Mr. LaPray made a motion to approve the Avenue A replat of Lot 4 and Lot 5, Block 4, West Lawn Addition, and to authorize the office manager to sign said replat, by permission, for each director participating in the board meeting during which the approval of said plat is granted. Mr. Covington seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

BOARD GOES INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Time: 2:23 p.m. Mr. LaPray made a motion to enter into Executive Session to consult with the District's attorney regarding legal matters (as authorized by Texas Government Code Section 551.071). Mr. Fuselier seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened in open session at 2:55 p.m.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE DRAINAGE DISTRICT TO ENTER INTO A LOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH THE TEXAS GENERAL LAND OFFICE, AND A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE COUNTY OF ORANGE AS CO-SIGNATORY, FOR THE ORANGE COUNTY ELEMENT OF THE SABINE PASS TO GALVESTON BAY COASTAL STORM RISK MANAGEMENT PROJECT, AND FOR THE GENERAL MANAGER OR A BOARD MEMBER, UPON CONSULTATION AND APPROVAL OF THE DISTRICT'S ATTORNEY, TO EXECUTE SUCH AGREEMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE DRAINAGE DISTRICT.

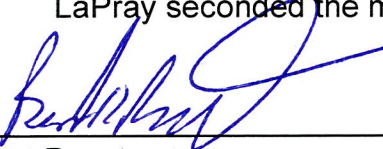
Mr. Arrington made a motion to table consideration of this agenda item. Mr. LaPray seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION OF A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE ORANGE COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT'S RESPONSE EFFORTS AND PLAN FOR CONTINUED OPERATIONS DURING THE COVID-19 CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY, FINDING AND DECLARING THAT THE SERVICES PROVIDED AND PERFORMED BY THE ORANGE COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT ARE ESSENTIAL SERVICES FOR THE WELFARE OF THE RESIDENTS OF ORANGE COUNTY AND THE PUBLIC.

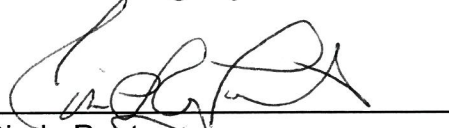
Mr. LaPray made a motion to authorize and adopt a resolution concerning the Orange County Drainage District's response efforts and plan for continued operations during the Covid-19 Coronavirus pandemic public health emergency, finding and declaring that the services provided and performed by the Orange County Drainage District are essential services for the welfare of the residents of Orange County and the public. Mr. Arrington seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

BOARD ADJOURNS

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Arrington made a motion to adjourn. Mr. LaPray seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.



Brent Peveto
President



Cindy Pent
Recording Secretary