

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

August 17, 2021

A special called meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange County Drainage District was held on Tuesday, August 17, 2021 at 10:00 a.m. at the District Office 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 in person and 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 in person or by telephone conference call, by calling the toll-free number and entering the access code provided, as set forth in the Notice of Meeting.

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

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| James Scales | Director, Precinct No. 3 |
| Hal LaPray | Director, Precinct No. 4 |

DIRECTORS PRESENT BY TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL:

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| Larry Ancelot, Jr. | Director, Precinct No. 2 |
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DIRECTORS ABSENT:

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| Brent Peveto | Director At Large |
| Russell Covington | Director, Precinct No. 1 |

OTHERS PRESENT:

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

MEETING OPENED

Mr. LaPray called the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange County Drainage District to order at 10:00 a.m. Mr. LaPray led the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

VISITORS:

None

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF MINOR PLAT OF 11.38 ACRES OF LAND INTO CLARK ADDITION LOTS 1 AND 2 IN ORANGE COUNTY, TEXAS AND AUTHORIZATION OF THE OFFICE MANAGER TO SIGN SAID PLAT, BY PERMISSION, FOR EACH DIRECTOR

Mr. Scales made a motion to approve the Minor Plat of 11.38 Acres of Land into Clark Addition Lots 1 and 2 in Orange County, Texas and to authorize the Office Manager to sign said Plat, by permission, for each Director. Mr. Ancelot seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF MINOR PLAT OF SAYLORS BAY, A 6.529 ACRE SUBDIVISION LYING IN THE S.J. DALTON SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 379, CITY OF VIDOR IN ORANGE COUNTY, TEXAS AND AUTHORIZATION OF THE OFFICE MANAGER TO SIGN SAID PLAT, BY PERMISSION, FOR EACH DIRECTOR

Mr. Ancelot made a motion to table consideration of the Minor Plat of Saylor's Bay. Mr. Scales seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

CONSIDERATION AND ENACTMENT OF A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING DON CARONA AS THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ORANGE COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD IN REGARD TO THE GRANT FUNDS TO BE OBTAINED BY THE DISTRICT FROM THE TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD PURSUANT TO THE DISTRICT'S FLOOD INFRASTRUCTURE FUND GRANT APPLICATION (TWDB PROJECT NO. 40019)

Mr. Ancelot made a motion to enact a resolution designating Don Carona as the representative of the Orange County Drainage District to authorize and execute a Grant Agreement with the Texas Water Development Board in regard to the grant funds to be obtained by the District from the Texas Water Development Board pursuant to the District's Flood Infrastructure Fund grant application (TWDB Project No. 40019). Mr. Scales seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

CONSIDERATION AND ENACTMENT OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ORANGE COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT TO ENTER INTO AN ESCROW AGREEMENT WITH TEXAS TREASURY SAFEKEEPING TRUST COMPANY IN ITS ROLE AS MANAGER OF THE TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT INVESTMENT POOL (TEXPOOL), OR WITH ANY OTHER ESCROW AGENT APPROVED BY THE TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD IN REGARD TO THE GRANT FUNDS TO BE OBTAINED FROM THE TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD PURSUANT TO THE DISTRICT'S FLOOD INFRASTRUCTURE FUND GRANT APPLICATION (TWDB PROJECT NO. 40019)

Mr. Scales made a motion to enact a resolution to authorize the Orange County Drainage District to enter into an Escrow Agreement with Texas Treasury Safekeeping Trust Company in its role as Manager of the Texas Local Government Investment Pool (Texpool), or with any other escrow agent approved by the Texas Water Development Board in regard to the grant funds to be obtained from the Texas Water Development Board pursuant to the District's Flood Infrastructure Fund grant application (TWDB Project No. 40019). Mr. Ancelot seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

BOARD GOES INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Time: 10:13 a.m. Mr. Ancelot made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters (as authorized by Texas Government Code Section 551.074) and consult with the District's attorney concerning legal matters (as authorized by Texas Government Code Section 551.071). Mr. Scales seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened in open session at 10:55 a.m.

CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF THE ORANGE COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022

Mr. Ancelot made a motion to adopt the Orange County Drainage District Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022. Mr. Scales seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

DISCUSSION AND ADOPTION OF A PROPOSED TAX RATE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022

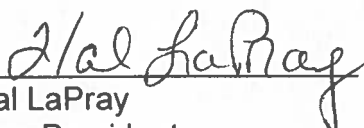
Mr. Ancelot made a motion to propose a tax rate of 0.13410 per \$100 taxable valuation for Fiscal Year 2021-2022. Mr. LaPray seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-1.

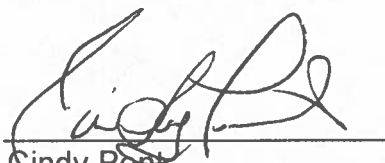
DISCUSSION AND SCHEDULING OF A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022

Mr. Ancelot made a motion to approve the scheduling of a Public Hearing on August 31, 2021 on the proposed tax rate of 0.13410 cents per \$100 taxable valuation for Fiscal Year 2021-2022. Mr. Scales seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

BOARD ADJOURNS

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Ancelot made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Scales seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0. The meeting adjourned at 11:14 a.m.


Hal LaPray
Vice President


Cindy Pent
Recording Secretary