MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ORANGE COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT

February 11, 2025

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange County Drainage District was held on Tuesday, February 11th, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. at the District Office located at 8081 Old Highway 90, Orange, Texas. A quorum of the Board of Directors was present for this meeting of the Board of Directors at the location set forth above.

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

Russell Covington Director, Precinct No. 1
James Scales Director, Precinct No. 3
Hal LaPray Director, Precinct No. 4

DIRECTORS BY VIDEO CONFERENCE:

Brent Peveto Director At-Large

Larry Ancelot Director, Precinct No. 2

OTHERS PRESENT:

Neal Ford General Manager

Douglas Manning Assistant General Manager

Andrea Fabacher Recording Secretary

Keri Mitchuka Accountant

MEETING OPENED

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Covington made a motion to dispense with the reading of, and to approve, the minutes of the January 14, 2025 regular meeting. Mr. LaPray seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

VISITORS

None

RECOGNIZE ACCEPTANCE OF TEXPOOL JANUARY 2025 REPORT

No action required.

APPROVAL OF JANUARY 2025 BILLS

After review and discussion, Mr. LaPray made a motion to approve the bills for January 2025. Mr. Covington seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION AND ACTION TO SUPPLEMENT THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE TWCA RISK MANAGEMENT FUND TO PROVIDE WORKER'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE COVERAGE TO DIRECTORS WHILE ACTING WITHIN THE COURSE AND SCOPE OF THEIR OFFICIAL DUTIES AND AUTHORIZE THE DISTRICT'S GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS

Mr. Peveto made a motion to approve the supplement to the Interlocal Agreement with TWCA Risk Management Fund to provide worker's compensation insurance coverage to Directors while acting within the course and scope of the official duties and authorize the District's General Manager to execute all necessary documents. Mr. Covington seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE DEPOSITORY SERVICES CONTRACT WITH FIRST FINANCIAL BANK TO DECEMBER 31, 2026, AND AUTHORIZATION OF THE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE EXTENSION AGREEMENT

Mr. LaPray made a motion to approve the extension of the Depository Services Contract with First Financial Bank to December 31, 2026, per the terms of the contract, and authorize the General Manager to execute the extension agreement. Mr. Covington seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE REQUEST BY LOWER SABINE-NECHES SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT #446 FOR CONTRIBUTION

Mr. Ancelot made a motion to approve the request by the Lower Sabine-Neches Soil and Water Conservation District #446 for a contribution of \$1500. Mr. Peveto seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE FINAL PLAT OF CARDINAL ESTATES SUBDIVISION PHASE I TO BE LOCATED IN BRIDGE CITY, TEXAS, PREPARED BY J. D. MCCLENAN, RPLS

Mr. Covington made a motion for a conditional approval of the Final Plat of Cardinal Estates Subdivision Phase I to be located in Bridge City, Texas, prepared by J. D. McClenan, RPLS, subject to and contingent upon further approval of District administrative staff, District engineer, District legal counsel of the plat and all ancillary documents. Mr. LaPray seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE FINAL PLAT OF ORANGE GARDENS SUBDIVISION PHASE II TO BE LOCATED AT THE CORNER OF HWY 105 AND HWY 62, ORANGE, TEXAS, PREPARED BY J. D. MCCLENAN, RPLS

Mr. LaPray made a motion for a conditional approval of the Final Plat of Orange Gardens Subdivision Phase II to be located at the corner of Hwy 105 and Hwy 62, Orange, Texas, prepared by J. D. McClenan, RPLS, subject to and contingent upon further approval of District administrative staff, District engineer, District legal counsel of the plat and all ancillary documents. Mr. Covington seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR THE DRAINAGE DISTRICT STAFF TO APPROVE THE DRAINAGE PLAN FOR MORE 4 LESS CONVENIENCE STORE PROJECT TO BE LOCATED AT 5990 N. 16TH STREET & MLK, ORANGE, TEXAS, PREPARED BY DONALD R. KING, P.E., DATED JUNE 28, 2024

Mr. Covington made a motion to authorize the Drainage District Staff to approve the Drainage Plan for More 4 Less Convenience Store project to be located at 5990 N. 16th Street & MLK, Orange, Texas, prepared by Donald R. King, P.E., dated June 28, 2024. Mr. LaPray seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

BOARD ADJOURNS

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Ancelot made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Covington seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 10:23 a.m.

James Scales

President

Andrea Fabacher

Recording Secretary