

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE EAST ORANGE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT (EOCWD)

January 22, 2025

1. <u>Call to Order</u>. A Special Meeting of the Board of Directors of the East Orange County Water District was called to order by President GEORGE MURDOCH at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 22, 2025, at the District Office located at 185 N. McPherson Road in the City of Orange, California. Director JOHN SEARS led the Pledge of Allegiance. JEFFREY HOSKINSON, Secretary, recorded the minutes of the meeting.

The following Directors attended the meeting: DOUGLASS DAVERT, GEORGE MURDOCH, JOHN SEARS, and MARILYN THOMS.

Also present were:

DAVID YOUNGBLOOD General Manager

SYLVIA PRADO Administrative Assistant

JEFF HOSKINSON District Secretary and Legal Counsel

JIMMIE KELLEY Board Member Candidate MICHAEL ZWISSLER Board Member Candidate

Other staff and members of the public may have attended in-person that are not listed above.

2. Public Communications to the Board. None.

MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION.

3. Consideration of Board Vacancy Candidates – Division 4. President MURDOCH introduced the item, providing opening remarks as to the process for the interviewing of candidates and selection of a new Board member, including a request that candidates wait in the lobby during interviews, though they are not legally required to do so and may if they desire sit in the open meeting. Candidates Jimmie Kelley and Michael Zwissler, who each elected to wait in the lobby, were then both provided five minutes to introduce themselves to the Board, after which they each answered questions from Board members. Candidate Karin Marquez was not in attendance due to personal family reasons, though Director DAVERT indicated his familiarity with Ms. Marquez from various City of Tustin-related entities and commissions, and President MURDOCH and Vice-President THOMS indicated their familiarity with Ms. Marquez from prior introductions.

The Board invited all candidates back into the otherwise open meeting, at which point the Board discussed the quality candidates that had come before them, each presenting a beneficial skill that could enhance the Board.

<u>ACTION TAKEN</u>: The Board, on motion and nomination by DAVERT, seconded by SEARS, by unanimous vote appointed Karin Marquez to fill the Division 4 Board Vacancy.



ADJOURNMENT.

The Board adjourned the meeting to the next Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors to be held on January 23, 2025, at 5:00 p.m., at the District Office located at 185 North McPherson, Orange, California, 92869.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey A. Hoskinson