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AGENDA MESA WATER DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS Thursday, October 27, 2022 1965 Placentia Avenue, Costa Mesa, CA 92627 3:30 p.m. Special Board Meeting

CALL TO ORDER – 3:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the Mesa Water District agenda permits.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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Items on the Agenda: Members of the public shall be permitted to comment on agenda items before action is taken, or after the Board has discussed the item. Each speaker shall be limited to three minutes. The Board will set aside 60 minutes for public comments for items appearing on the posted agenda.

ITEMS TO BE REMOVED OR REORDERED ON THE AGENDA

At the discretion of the Board, all items appearing on this agenda, whether or not expressly listed as an Action Item, may be deliberated and may be subject to action by the Board.

ACTION ITEM:

1. BOARD MEETING STRUCTURE:

Recommendation: Direct staff to draft the Procedures for Meetings of the Board of Directors' Resolution to modify the Regular Board meetings to be held on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 4:30 p.m., and to agendize the draft Resolution for the November 15, 2022 Board of Directors' Committee meeting.

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ADJOURN TO A REGULAR BOARD MEETING SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2022 AT 4:30 P.M.

MEMORANDUM



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TO:Board of DirectorsFROM:Paul E. Shoenberger, P.E., General ManagerDATE:October 27, 2022SUBJECT:Board Meeting Structure

RECOMMENDATION

Direct staff to draft the Procedures for Meetings of the Board of Directors' Resolution to modify the Regular Board meetings to be held on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 4:30 p.m., and to agendize the draft Resolution for the November 15, 2022 Board of Directors' Committee meeting.

STRATEGIC PLAN

Goal #1: Provide a safe, abundant, and reliable water supply.

- Goal #2: Practice perpetual infrastructure renewal and improvement.
- Goal #3: Be financially responsible and transparent.
- Goal #4: Increase public awareness about Mesa Water and about water.
- Goal #5: Attract and retain skilled employees.
- Goal #6: Provide outstanding customer service.
- Goal #7: Actively participate in regional and statewide water issues.

PRIOR BOARD ACTION/DISCUSSION

At its February 8, 2018 meeting, the Board of Directors (Board) adopted Resolution No. 1509, Adopting Procedures for Meetings of the Board of Directors, Superseding Resolution No. 1456.

At its June 22, 2021 Committee meeting, the Board directed staff to agendize Resolution No. 1509 Adopting Procedure for Meetings of the Board of Directors for discussion and possible action at the July 8, 2021 Board meeting.

At its July 8, 2021 meeting, the Board directed staff to draft the Procedures for Meetings of the Board of Directors Resolution to modify Regular Board meetings to be held on the second Wednesday of each month at 4:30 p.m., and to agendize the draft Resolution for the July 27, 2021 Board of Directors' Committee meeting.

At its July 27, 2021 Committee meeting, the Board adopted Resolution No. 1547 Adopting Amended Procedures for Meetings of the Board of Directors, Superseding Resolution No. 1509, with modifications.

At its October 25, 2022 workshop, the Board deferred this item to a future meeting.

DISCUSSION

Annually, the Board reviews the calendars to set the date and time for the meetings to be held the upcoming year. In anticipation of Calendar Year 2023, and for the Board's review and consideration, the Executive Officers have requested to agendize this item for discussion and possible action.



Resolution No. 1547, Attachment A, fixes the time and place of regular Board meetings and sets forth specific procedures regarding meetings of the Board. As written, the Board may change the time and place of its meetings as it shall determine to be appropriate.

Historically, the Board has held four meetings per month with one Board meeting and three Committee meetings. In 2019, the Board began to meet three times a month when staff was directed to conduct the Finance Committee and Legislative & Public Affairs Committee meetings on the same day, eliminating one meeting day per month; however, two notices and agenda packets were still required. Since the Spring of 2020, the District has been holding one Board meeting and one Board of Directors' Committee meeting per month.

Over the past two and a half years, staff has noted that holding two meetings per month has resulted in increased operational efficiency as an agency and greater meeting transparency for our ratepayers. The reduced time in preparing for and attending multiple meetings per month has allowed the Board and staff to more fully engage in the water industry externally, allowing for the flow of innovative and cost-saving ideas between agencies. Holding two meetings per month has not affected participation in meetings; ratepayer attendance has neither increased nor decreased over the past two and a half years.

Staff recommends the Board approve modifying the Procedures for Meetings resolution to hold two regular Board meetings per month, on the second and fourth Wednesday at 4:30 p.m., and to agendize the draft Resolution at the November 15, 2022 Board of Directors' Committee Meeting. This timing would then allow the Board to set the meeting dates for Calendar Year 2023 at the December 14, 2022 Regular Board meeting.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

None.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: Resolution No. 1547

RESOLUTION NO. 1547

RESOLUTION OF THE MESA WATER DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS ADOPTING AMENDED PROCEDURES FOR MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, SUPERSEDING RESOLUTION NO. 1509

WHEREAS, the Mesa Water District (Mesa Water® or District) is a county water district organized and operating pursuant to the provisions of the laws of the State of California (State or California); and

WHEREAS, the Mesa Water Board of Directors (Board) is authorized, pursuant to California Water Code Section 30530, to adopt procedures regarding meetings of the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board has previously adopted Resolution No. 1509, which fixed the time, day, and place of regular meetings of the Board and sets forth the Procedures for Meetings of the Board (as described herein); and

WHEREAS, the Board deems it desirable to update and amend the meeting procedures previously adopted by the Board whilst complying with State law.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MESA WATER DISTRICT DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DETERMINE, AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

- <u>Section 1.</u> The foregoing recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference.
- Section 2. The amended and updated Procedures for Meetings of the Mesa Water District Board, as set forth in Appendix A, attached hereto and incorporated herin by this reference, are hereby adopted, to be effective from and after July 27, 2021.
- <u>Section 3.</u> Resolution No. 1509 shall be superseded by this Resolution upon the adoption hereof.

APPENDIX A

RESOLUTION NO. 1547

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I. <u>GENERAL</u>

- A. <u>Adoption, Application and Purpose</u>. This policy, Meetings of the Board of Directors (Policy), is adopted pursuant to California Water Code (Water Code) Section 30530. The content of this Policy is generally declarative of existing procedures and is intended to be integrated as part of Mesa Water District's (Mesa Water®) policies and directives. The purpose of this Policy is to allow the Mesa Water Board of Directors (Board) to conduct its meetings in an efficient and organized manner.
- B. <u>Compliance with California Law</u>. This Policy is enacted in accordance with existing and applicable California law including, but not limited to, the provisions of the Ralph M. Brown Act (being California Government Code (Government Code) Sections 54950 *et seq.*, Brown Act) and the County Water District Law (being Water Code Sections 3000 et seq.). It is the intention of the Board, by adopting this Policy, to observe the requirements and provisions of the Brown Act. It is the intention of the Board that this Policy shall not conflict with California laws or regulations. Although State laws and regulations are not generally restated in this Policy, it is intended that this Policy will be in addition to, or clarifications of, existing California law. To the extent of future legislative changes or judicial interpretations, applicable hereto, this Policy shall be deemed, or shall actually be, modified accordingly. For purposes of citing particular laws, statutes, or regulations, the phrase "but not limited to" is implied and operative.
- C. <u>Future Amendments</u>. The Board hereby reserves the right to formally amend this Policy in the future as may be determined to be necessary or appropriate due to conditions, circumstances, future legislative changes, judicial interpretations, or laws and regulations, which may affect this Policy.
- D. Exceptions to this Policy. It should be understood that all of the provisions of this Policy are subject to determination(s) by the Board, on a case-by-case basis, and without setting or establishing any precedent, to make exceptions to this Policy where such may be determined by the Board to be necessary or desirable. Such action(s) shall occur at the direction or pleasure of the Board

based upon such circumstances and factors as the Board shall determine to be appropriate.

E. <u>Definitions</u>. Unless otherwise defined herein, the following definitions shall apply for purposes of the interpretation and implementation of this Policy:

Board – shall mean the Board of Directors of Mesa Water.

Board Member – shall mean an elected or appointed Director from one of the five divisions of Mesa Water District, once that person takes office.

Brown Act – shall mean the Ralph M. Brown Act being Government Code Sections 54950 *et seq.*

District Secretary – shall mean the Secretary of Mesa Water as appointed pursuant to Water Code Section 30540(a).

Executive Committee – shall mean a standing committee comprised solely of less than a quorum of the Board of Directors (President and Vice President).

General Manager – shall mean the General Manager of Mesa Water as appointed pursuant to Water Code Section 30540(a).

Immediate Past President – shall mean the person who served the immediately prior term as President of the Board as elected pursuant to Water Code Section 30520.

May – use of the word "may" indicates the referenced action is discretionary.

Mesa Water® - shall mean Mesa Water District, a county water district.

Policy – shall mean this Mesa Water Policy for Meetings of the Board of Directors, as such may be updated or amended from time to time.

President – shall mean the then-currently serving President of the Board as elected pursuant to Water Code Section 30520.

Public – shall mean members of the public as that term is generally defined in the Brown Act.

Shall – use of the word "shall" indicates the referenced action is mandatory.

Staff – shall mean staff members of Mesa Water including the General Manager, District Secretary and District Treasurer (or equivalent officers if designated with different titles).

Teleconferencing – shall mean a meeting of the Board, or a committee of the Board, the members of which are in different locations, connected by electronic means, through either audio or video, or both.

Vice President – shall mean the then-currently serving Vice President of the Board as elected pursuant to Water Code Section 30520.

F. References to action(s) of the Board shall generally mean action by, or concurrence of, a majority of the Board (i.e., at least three Board Members).

II. TIME AND PLACE OF BOARD MEETINGS

- A. <u>Regular Meetings</u>. Pursuant to Water Code Section 30521, the time and place for regular meetings of the Board shall be established by resolution adopted by the Board. Regular Board meetings will be held on the second Wednesday of each month at 4:30 p.m. at Mesa Water's office located at 1965 Placentia Avenue, Costa Mesa, California. The Board may change the time and place of its meetings as it shall determine to be appropriate.
- B. <u>Open Public Meetings</u>. Pursuant to Water Code Section 30529, all meetings of the Board, except as may be permitted under the Brown Act, shall be open to the public. It shall be the general policy of the Board that regular Board meetings shall adjourn by 7:30 p.m.
- C. <u>Workshop Meetings</u>. The Board may conduct workshop meetings on an asneeded basis. Such workshop meetings are Board meetings and action items can and shall be considered at such meetings. The date, time and place for such workshop meetings shall be set by the Board. Workshop meetings may be conducted as regular meetings, adjourned regular meetings or special meetings of the Board.
- D. <u>Adjournment</u>. Any regular meeting, adjourned regular meeting, or special meeting of the Board may be continued to a later date or time by adjournment to a date, time, and place designated as provided for in the Brown Act, including meeting at other locations within Mesa Water's service area. Any such adjournment shall be at the discretion and pleasure of the Board.
- E. <u>Special Meetings</u>. Special Board meetings may be called by the President or a majority of the Board consistent with the requirements of Government Code Section 54956. Notice of the time, place, and date for a special Board meeting shall conform to the requirements of the Brown Act.
- F. <u>Emergency Meetings</u>. The Board reserves the right to call and conduct emergency meetings as provided for pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.5 under such circumstances as are described in that statute.

- G. <u>Closed Sessions</u>. The Board reserves the right to conduct closed sessions, at such meetings as it is determined to be appropriate and as permitted under the Brown Act.
- H. <u>Adjourn or Recess</u>. The Board reserves the right to adjourn or recess any meeting with the purpose of maintaining or restoring order, or where other circumstances make it appropriate, and reserves its rights pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.9.
- I. <u>Teleconferencing</u>. The Board reserves the right to conduct meetings involving a teleconference. All Board meetings which involve one or more teleconferences shall conform to the requirements of Government Code 54953, or other applicable provisions of the Brown Act.
- J. <u>Lack of Quorum</u>. In the event that a quorum of the Board is not present at the time and place scheduled for a meeting, the Board Members present may adjourn such meeting to a time, place, and date specified. If all of the Board Members are absent from a regular or adjourned regular Board meeting, the District Secretary shall adjourn the meeting pursuant to Government Code Section 54955.

III. STRUCTURE OF BOARD MEETINGS

- A. <u>Order of Business</u>. The Executive Committee shall determine the general order of business for Board meetings, which generally includes these items:
 - 1) Call to Order
 - 2) Pledge of Allegiance
 - 3) Public Comments (see paragraph (B), below)
 - 4) Items to be Added, Removed, or Reordered on the Agenda (see paragraphs C, D, and E, below)
 - 5) Consent Calendar Items
 - Board Schedule
 - 6) Presentation and Discussion Items
 - 7) Action Items
 - 8) Reports
 - 9) Information Items
 - 10) Closed Session(s)
 - 11) Adjournment
- B. Public Comments.
 - 1. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.3(b), the Board hereby determines that reasonable limitations on public comments are necessary in order for the Board to conduct its business within a reasonable time

frame. The right of the public to make comments to the Board must be balanced with the Board's need to have adequate time to consider and take action(s) on the items before it.

- 2. The following procedures shall apply to public comments:
 - a. Public comments shall be made from the podium provided (unless a physical disability prevents a member of the public from using the podium).
 - b. Public comments shall be limited to three minutes per speaker (unless the President grants additional time to a speaker with consensus of the majority of the Board).
 - c. Public comments presented at the beginning of the meeting on items not appearing on that meeting's agenda will be limited to no more than 30 minutes total for all speakers (subject to the Board granting additional time as the Board may determine).
 - d. Additional time for public comments regarding items not appearing on the posted agenda may be provided at the end of the Board meeting, if time permits and with consensus of a majority of the Board.
 - e. Public comments regarding items appearing on that meeting's agenda will be limited to no more than 60 minutes total for all speakers. This time limit may be extended by the President with consensus of a majority of the Board.
- 3. The following notations, which may be changed from time to time, shall be set forth on meeting agendas:

<u>Items Not on the Agenda</u>: Members of the public are invited to address the Board regarding items which are not appearing on the posted agenda. Each speaker shall be limited to three minutes. The Board will set aside 30 minutes for public comments for items not appearing on the posted agenda.

<u>Items on the Agenda</u>: Members of the public shall be permitted to comment on agenda items before action is taken, or after the Board has discussed the item. Each speaker shall be limited to three minutes. The Board will set aside 60 minutes for public comments for items appearing on the posted agenda.

C. <u>Items to be Added to the Posted Agenda</u>. The Board may add an item to the agenda for a regular or adjourned regular meeting of the Board after the

agenda has been posted, only if the following two conditions are determined by the Board to be true:

- 1. The Board determines that there is a need for immediate action on an item which cannot reasonably wait for the next regularly scheduled meeting or a special meeting of the Board; and
- 2. The Board determines that the need for immediate action came to the attention of the Board or staff after the applicable agenda had been posted.

The foregoing determinations require the vote of four of the Board Members or, if four or more of the Board Members are not present, by a unanimous vote of those Board Members present for the item to be placed on the agenda for the applicable meeting of the Board. Items may not be added to the agenda in the case of a special meeting of the Board.

Upon making the foregoing determinations, the Board may then choose to consider or take action(s) on the referenced item at such point in the agenda as the Board shall direct.

- D. <u>Items to be Removed from the Agenda</u>. Any Board Member or the General Manager may remove any item of business from a Board meeting agenda, unless a majority of the Board objects.
- E. <u>Reordering of the Agenda</u>. Any Board Member may request a change to the order of business at any time during the meeting, which shall be granted unless a majority of the Board objects.
- F. <u>Consent Calendar</u>. Any item of business may be removed from the Consent Calendar by any Board Member, the General Manager or member of the public to permit separate discussion. Such discussion and voting shall take place during the period for Consent Calendar items.
- G. <u>Continue or Table Items</u>. The Board may, by action of a majority of its members, continue or table action on any particular item for a period of one year.
- H. <u>Resolved Items</u>. Any item, which has previously been reviewed, discussed, and acted upon by the Board, by way of motion, resolution, ordinance, or assigned and completed by staff shall not appear on the agenda for a Board meeting for reconsideration for the period of one year, unless the Executive Committee places such items on an agenda or such items are placed on an agenda by action of a majority of the Board.

- I. <u>Adding Items to the Agenda</u>. The District Secretary shall maintain, and present to the Board on a regular basis, an advance schedule of Board meeting topics. The Executive Committee and staff shall determine the agenda for each Board meeting. Any request for the inclusion of an item(s) to a Board meeting agenda by any Board member or member of the public shall be addressed to the Board President who shall bring the item(s) to the Executive Committee for scheduling. Such item(s) shall be scheduled for the next available Board meeting unless the Executive Committee determines otherwise and notifies the Board member of the reason. The Board specifically reserves the right to change that schedule, or to direct that an item be placed on the agenda of a particular Board meeting. Placing any item on the agenda for the Board's consideration is subject to override by majority action of the Board.
- J. <u>Reports From Closed Session</u>. The Board reserves its right to conduct closed sessions as permitted by the provisions of the Brown Act. The Board also reserves its right to give directives and make decisions in closed sessions as permitted by the Brown Act. Notwithstanding paragraph K below (Closed Sessions Regarding Personnel Matters), it shall be the policy of the Board to make reports of decisions made in closed sessions in open session as permitted and/or required under the provisions of the Brown Act. For matters or issues where decisions cannot be made in closed session, or where the Board so determines, such decisions shall be made in open session. Where reports are made from closed session pursuant to the Brown Act, or where action(s) is taken in open session, a record of such report(s) shall be made, or action(s) taken, which shall be set forth in the minutes of such meeting.
- K. <u>Closed Sessions Regarding Personnel Matters</u>. It shall be the policy of the Board that matters relating to Mesa Water personnel generally shall not be discussed in open session in regard to performance evaluations and reviews, personnel records, disciplinary proceedings and similar matters. In the event the Board conducts a closed session pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Brown Act for the evaluation of performance, or similar matters relating to staff, Mesa Water will not make a report from closed session in regard to such personnel matters unless, and until, required under State law.
- L. <u>Minutes</u>. The Board hereby directs that minutes of all Board meetings (except for closed sessions during which no minutes shall be taken unless otherwise directed by the Board) shall be prepared by the District Secretary. Such minutes shall include a record of all votes of the Board pursuant to Water Code Section 30526. Upon completion, minutes of all such meetings shall be returned to the Board for review and approval.
- M. <u>Transcribing Minutes</u>. The Board hereby finds that additional means of preparing and transcribing the minutes, including recordings, may be used by the District Secretary. It is hereby the directive and determination of the Board

that such recordings are not, and shall not be considered to be, the official minutes or transcripts of such Board meetings.

Any such recordings of any Board meeting made by Mesa Water shall be subject to the provisions of Government Code Section 54953.5(b), or any successor section thereto.

Further, it shall be the directive and policy of the Board that any recordings made by Mesa Water which are used to assist the District Secretary in transcribing the minutes of Board meetings shall be erased or destroyed after 30 days have elapsed since the date of the meeting at which such recording was made.

IV. RULES OF ORDER

- A. <u>President</u>. It shall be the policy of the Board that the President shall preside over meetings of the Board where the President is present. The public, Board Members, the General Manager, and staff shall direct questions and comments to, or through, the President.
- B. <u>Determination of Acting President</u>. In the absence of the President, the Vice President shall preside over the meeting. In such case, the Vice President shall be the acting President and shall have all powers vested in the President.

In the absence of both the President and the Vice President at a Board meeting, where a meeting includes a quorum of the Board, the Immediate Past President shall act as the acting President for purposes of that Board meeting. The Immediate Past President will have the power of acting President for that meeting. If the Immediate Past President is not present at such meeting, the Board members in attendance shall determine which of their members shall act as President for such meeting.

- C. <u>Actions of the Board</u>. Pursuant to Water Code Section 30523, the Board shall take formal action by way of ordinance, resolution or motion. The Board may also act informally as to matters of procedure, scheduling and similar matters by directive to staff or by concurrence of the Board with Board or staff recommendations. Voting on all matters by the Board shall conform to the requirements of the Brown Act and secret balloting or voting shall not be permitted. Unless a vote is unanimous on an item with all Directors present and voting, the votes for, against, abstain or absent as to a matter shall be recorded and listed in the minutes for such Board meeting as required under Water Code Section 30526.
- D. <u>Rosenberg's Rules of Order</u>. The Board hereby references, without adopting, Rosenberg's Rules of Order as a general guide for procedural matters where

such rules may help it more efficiently conduct business at meetings of the Board. However, these Rules of Order shall not be binding on the proceedings of the Board.

V. DOCUMENTATION

- A. <u>Posting Agendas</u>. Pursuant to the requirements of Government Code Section 54954.2, the District Secretary shall post, or cause to be posted, notices of Board meetings and/or agendas for all regular, adjourned regular and special meetings of the Board at Mesa Water's business office located at 1965 Placentia Avenue, Costa Mesa, California. The District Secretary may also post agendas, as time permits, at other publicly accessible locations within Mesa Water's service area. Board meeting agendas will also be posted to the Mesa Water website consistent with the requirements of State law.
- B. <u>Disability-Related Modifications or Accommodations</u>. The following notations shall be set forth on the agendas for all Board meetings open to the public:

"In compliance with California law and the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you need disability-related modifications or accommodations, including auxiliary aids or services in order to participate in the meeting, or if you need the agenda provided in an alternative format, please call the District Secretary at (949) 631-1205. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable Mesa Water District (Mesa Water®) to make reasonable arrangements to accommodate your requests."

"Members of the public desiring to make verbal comments using a translator to present their comments into English shall be provided reasonable time accommodations that are consistent with California law."

- C. <u>Distribution of Documentation</u>. Documentation and other materials relating to the Board meeting agenda items shall be distributed to all Board Members in advance of the Board meeting whenever possible. In such regard, Mesa Water shall comply with the requirements of Government Code Section 54957.5.
 - 1. The following notation shall be set forth on the agendas for all meetings open to the public:

"Agenda materials that are public records, which have been distributed to a majority of the Mesa Water Board of Directors (Board), will be available for public inspection at the District Boardroom, 1965 Placentia Avenue, Costa Mesa, CA and on Mesa Water's website at www.MesaWater.org. If materials are distributed to the Board less than 72 hours prior or during the meeting, the materials will be available at the time of the meeting." 2. It shall be the general policy of the Board that documentation furnished to any one Board Member shall also be furnished to, or offered to, all of the remaining Board Members.

Documentation furnished to Board Members relative to agenda items may be furnished without cost to members of the public upon request. However, the Board specifically reserves the right, in accordance with California Law, including Government Code Sections 6257 and 54957.5, to impose reasonable and necessary charges relative to the furnishing of such documentation at such time as the Board determines that it is appropriate or necessary to do so.

- D. <u>Introduced Documents</u>. On occasion, a member of the public or a Board Member may introduce a document during a Board meeting. To the extent that it is possible and reasonable to do so, the Board may, at its discretion, after consulting with the District Secretary, provide for copying and redistribution of such document(s) to other interested members of the public during such meeting. However, it is specifically noted that redistribution of such documentation may not be feasible or practical during such meeting. The Board reserves its right, by way of a majority vote of the Board, on a case-by-case basis, to take such action or to make such documentation available after the conclusion of such meeting pursuant to Mesa Water's Public Records Act Policy.
- E. <u>Public Records Requests</u>. In the event that the District receives a request for public records at a Board meeting, it is the District's policy to respond in a reasonable manner and to comply with the provisions of the California Public Records Act. Further, it is the finding and determination of the Board that Mesa Water's business needs be conducted in an efficient manner in terms of allocation of staff time and other resources.

Confidential or privileged records that by law may not be disclosed are <u>not</u> subject to disclosure under the California Public Records Act.

- F. Disclosure of Closed Session Information.
 - 1. Confidential information (e.g., all hand-written, printed, copied, electronic files or documents, and data, as well as spoken information) received, acquired by, or made available to anyone that pertains to closed sessions held pursuant to the Brown Act, shall not be disclosed to anyone not entitled to receive it pursuant to Government Code Sections 1098 and 54963.
 - 2. Any Board or staff member shall not willfully and knowingly disclose for pecuniary gain, to any other person, confidential information acquired by

him or her in the course of his or her official duties as set forth in Government Code Section 1098.

ADOPTED, SIGNED, AND APPROVED this 27th day of July, 2021, by a roll call vote.

AYES: DIRECTORS: Atkinson, Bockmiller, Fisler, Dewane, DePasquale NOES: DIRECTORS: ABSTAIN: DIRECTORS: ABSENT: DIRECTORS:

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Marice H. DePasquale President, Board of Directors

Denise Garcia District Secretary