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**MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Tuesday, May 1, 2018 – 3 p.m.
7811 University Avenue, La Mesa, CA 91942-0427**

1. President Hedberg called the special board meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. The roll call showed a quorum of the board present: Directors Hedberg, McMillan, Scalzitti, Verbeke and Gracyk.

Staff present: Lugo, Olney, Tomasulo, Miller, Janzen, Lundy, Annett and Garuba.

Others present: City of La Mesa Councilmember Guy McWhirter.

2. Vice President McMillan led the Pledge of Allegiance. No invocation was provided.

3. General Manager Carlos V. Lugo reported there were no additions or deletions to the agenda. The motion to approve the agenda carried unanimously.

Motion: Verbeke

Second: Gracyk

Vice President McMillan requested the Water Fix be placed on a future agenda with speakers from both sides to provide a balanced presentation.

4. President Hedberg provided opportunity for members of the public to address the board on any item under the subject matter jurisdiction of the district. There were no public comments. President Hedberg welcomed Councilmember Guy McWhirter of the city of La Mesa.

5. In preparation for the Harry Griffen Park Steering Committee Joint Powers Authority meeting, the board discussed the history of Harry Griffen Park, construction of the reservoir, funding through 17 grants, the joint powers authority's eight amendments, funding challenges, the district's maintenance, contribution and revenue, fiscal year 2017-18 cost allocations, permit data and staff recommendations.

Following a PowerPoint presentation by Director of Operations Kevin D. Miller, General Manager Carlos V. Lugo and Facilities Manager Joseph J. Garuba, the board reached consensus to draft a letter for the Harry Griffen Park Joint Powers Authority May 8, 2018

meeting. The letter is to be signed by the board requesting an amendment to the agreement to include an allocation of 30 percent this year, followed by a 25 percent allocation next year and a 20 percent allocation the following year. General Manager Carlos V. Lugo also reported talking points would be provided for Director Gracyk. President Hedberg requested the letter be reviewed by Harry Griffen Park District Representative Gracyk prior to utilizing the board member's electronic signatures.

President Hedberg thanked Councilmember McWhirter for his participation in the discussion. Councilmember McWhirter reported the city of La Mesa has generously supported the park and requested caution in regards to new park signage.

6. The board discussed and reviewed the El Monte riverbed transient camp cleanup efforts. Director of Operations Kevin D. Miller provided a PowerPoint presentation and answered all questions with the assistance of General Manager Carlos V. Lugo and Director of Engineering James A. Tomasulo.

President Hedberg left the boardroom at 4:49 p.m.

President Hedberg returned to the boardroom at 4:53 p.m.

Following a brief discussion the board agreed to bring the item back to a future board meeting to evaluate land options.

ADJOURNMENT

7. President Hedberg adjourned the meeting at 4:58 p.m.


Kathleen Coates Hedberg, President

ATTEST:


Sandra L. Janzen, Board Secretary