

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
OF THE GOLETA WEST SANITARY DISTRICT
UCSB CAMPUS, PARKING LOT 32, SANTA BARBARA, CALIFORNIA
JANUARY 30, 2024**

In-person and remote attendance per amended agenda

POSTING OF THE AGENDA

The agenda notice for this meeting was posted in the display case outside the administrative office of the Goleta West Sanitary District and on the District's website at least 24 hours in advance of this special meeting. An amended agenda was posted and distributed via email on January 30, 2024 at 11:23 AM due to a Director's request to attend remotely pursuant to the process outlined by AB 2449.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Director Bearman called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM

2. ROLL CALL: BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

David Bearman M.D.
David Lewis
Eva Turenchalk
Robert Thomas – attended remotely

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Craig Geyer

STAFF PRESENT

Brian McCarthy – General Manager/Board Clerk-Secretary
Jena Acos – District Counsel
Austin Catlin – Environmental Compliance Specialist

OTHERS PRESENT

Sharon Rose – Director, GSD

3. REQUEST FOR REMOTE PARTICIPATION UNDER AB 2449

Director Thomas, attending via Zoom, requested remote participation for medical reasons. Counsel asked Director Thomas questions and determined that he was eligible to participate remotely under provisions provided for in AB 2449. The three Directors attending in-person unanimously voted to allow Director Thomas to participate remotely via Zoom. Director Thomas joined the meeting at 5:33 PM in his capacity as a Director.

4. APPROVE THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA

No changes were made to the order of the agenda.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

6. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF JANUARY 16, 2024

(24-01-11)

Upon a motion by Director Lewis, seconded by Director Turenchalk, the Board approved the minutes of the January 16, 2024 Regular Board Meeting as presented by a 4-1 vote with Director Geyer being absent.

7. **GENERAL MANAGER UPDATES**

The General Manager provided a report.

8. **LEGAL COUNSEL UPDATES**

No report.

9. **CONSIDER ISSUING CONSIDER RESOLUTION NO 24-823 DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO CONTRACT WITH TIERRA CONTRACTING, INC. AND NEWTON CONSTRUCTION & MANAGEMENT AND TAKE ALL OTHER NECESSARY ACTIONS TO ADDRESS THE EMERGENCY**

(24-01-12)

The General Manager provided a report, photos, and video during the General Manager Updates. He answered questions from the Board and provided additional information. District Counsel summarized that due to a leak on the 18-inch forcemain between pump station 1 immediate action was required. Counsel went on to explain that if adopted, Resolution No. 24-823 would find that an emergency condition exists, authorize the General Manager to proceed with emergency work, and determine that the work is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act. Upon a motion by Director Turenchalk, seconded by Director Thomas, the Board made a finding declaring an emergency that requires immediate action and to authorize the General Manager to take all necessary measures to repair the 18-inch sewer forcemain and adopt Resolution No. 24-823 the by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Lewis, Bearman, Thomas, Turenchalk
NOES:	None
ABSTAIN:	None
ABSENT:	Geyer


10. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Director Thomas requested that the Engineering Committee meet to consider changes to current professional services for the remaining District Headquarter Building Improvements Projects.

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, President Bearman adjourned the meeting at 6:02 PM.

APPROVED


Brian McCarthy, Board Clerk-Secretary


David Bearman, M.D., Board President