

Del Rey Community Services District
Minutes of the
Board of Directors
Regular Board Meeting
June 19, 2025
7:00 p.m.

President Ramirez called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

A-1 Roll Call

Directors present: Daniel Ramirez, Joaquin Nunez, Stephanie Garza, Maria Cisneros

Directors absent: N/A

A-2 The Board leads in the Pledge of Allegiance.

A-3 Approval of Agenda

DM Arias would like to change item D-3 to Discussion/Direction rather than Action/Consideration. LC - worded as direction but can be discussed as action. President Ramirez opens the item to the public for comment. No public comment. Garza makes a motion to approve the agenda with the change. Cisneros seconds the motion. All in favor; four ayes: Ramirez, Nunez, Cisneros, Garza. All Absent; none absent. Motion passed.

B. SCHEDULED AND UNSCHEDULED COMMUNICATIONS:

Public member 1 asks if there is anything that can be done about her alley. She states it's dry, and it can be a fire hazard. The only person that has tried helping is Carlos. She asks who cleans the sidewalks. The roads are beautiful, but the sidewalks are a mess. She suggests public member Reyna's family live there. Public member Reyna states she has family that lives there, but whatever happens in that household has nothing to do with her. Public member CRLA asks for clarity on the increase of trash. She is wondering if it is coming from the contract with IWS. DM Arias explains it is, it went up 3% for inflation that is from the State. Public member Rinaldo Reyna asks if the District is still collecting 25% from trash fees. DM Arias says it is the overhead that is charged. They pay to do that. Public member Rinaldo Reyna reads an excerpt from the rate study. CRLA member Leticia suggests a breakdown of the 25% overhead charge. DM Arias states he can explain it to him if he would like to come to the office. Discussion.

C. CONSENT CALENDAR:

C-1 Approve payments for vendors for West America Bank – May 2025, a Total Amount of \$69,409.92.

C-2 Approve payments for vendors for West America Bank – June 9, 2025, a Total Amount of \$73,820.43.

C-3 Approval of Minutes of May 15, 2025, Regular Board Meeting.

Board member Nuez compliments the minutes - job well done. President Ramirez opens the item to the public for comment. Garza makes a motion to approve items C-1 to C-3. Cisneros seconds the motion. All in favor; four ayes: Ramirez, Nunez, Cisneros, Garza. All Absent; none absent. Motion passed.

D. PUBLIC HEARINGS (DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS):

D-1 Discussion/Approval of Budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026. Dictos explains the increase from last year's and gives a breakdown of the budget numbers. Move \$100,000 from the lighting fund as there is a balance now of \$150,000, and it should be moved to the general fund to pay expenses. Discussion. Dictos left the Engineer's fees blank as it is being covered by grants. Water testing fee cannot be avoided. The small tools account hasn't been used in a while, so he left it at zero. Solid waste went up 3% so made the adjustment. CRLA member Leticia asks what the membership fee of \$6,000 is for. DM Arias states he has explained it to her before - it covers the memberships the District is a part of, such as Special Districts Association, etc. CRLA member Leticia asks why the liability insurance went up. DM Arias explains there

was a legal issue, so the insurance went up. President Ramirez asks if it can go down eventually if it is resolved. DM Arias states it can. Public member Rumaldo Reyna states someone came to him that might be able to provide batteries for the plant and directed him to the District Manager. DM Arias states nobody has talked to him regarding this yet but will look forward to it. CRLA member Leticia asks if not all commercial accounts are on meters. DM Arias responds that not all commercial accounts are on meters but pay a different fee than residential. Discussion. Garza makes a motion to approve the budget. Cisneros seconds the motion. All in favor; four ayes: Ramirez, Nunez, Cisneros, Garza. All Absent; none absent. Motion passed.

D-2 Presentation by District Manager of report describing each affected parcel and the amount of delinquent charges for each affected parcel for the year for the possible future placement of delinquent charges on the County tax roll; discussion and direction for providing notice of public hearing for the adoption of a resolution authorizing the placement of delinquent charges on the County tax roll. Arias explains that there have been issues with residents paying their bills. He found out Malaga adds the billing to the tax roll. Take delinquent accounts, with notice to a public hearing. The first part of the process is here tonight. The report that is presented tonight is what the County is requesting to begin the process. Discussion. Ramirez recommends bringing this item back next month.

D-3 Action/Consideration to place cameras at the park, the District Office, and the Wastewater Plant. Arias brought this because it has been brought to his attention that there has been vandalism at the plant. He states if they are going to be added at the park, they should be added at the District Office and the plant. Nunez asks if the prices will be brought to the next meeting. DM Arias responds, if he is directed to do so, then he will look around and get estimates. Nunez explains he would like for DM Arias to look and see what is affordable for the District. The rest of the Board agrees.

E. DIRECTOR COMMUNICATIONS/AGENDA ITEMS

Ramirez states he spoke to Carlos last month about the way the kid's playground has some boards that are missing and loose and asked that to be taken care of. DM Arias states it will be done. He adds that a group, including POM Wonderful, are working to get a new playground. It is not guaranteed, but it is being discussed. Ramirez adds he is disappointed that the landmark was torn down. Garza states the streets are looking nice.

F. DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS

DM Arias reports that the AC unit mini split has been added at the plant. It works perfectly, and the guys are happy.

F-2 Report of District Counsel (Report by Michael Linden)

LC Linden states there is nothing to report.

F-3 Report of District Engineer (Report by AM Consulting)

Manrique gives updates on projects.

F-4 Report of District Accountant (Report by Paul Dictos)

Dictos presents financial statements for the month of May.

G. ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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