SOUTH ISLAND PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT

Proposed Minutes: South Island PSD Commission Meeting May 28, 2024, at the South Island Public

Service District's Conference Room at 2 Genesta St. at 8:02 a.m.

Present: Alan Jackson, Chairman (Zoom) Staff: Papu Tafao

Gary Gaynor Tamara Munson
James Vaughn Eddie Nettles
Pamela Ovens Heather Boggess

John Phalen J.R. Richardson David Martin

Absent: Tom DeMint

Legal: Jon Eggert

1. **Review Minutes of April 23, 2024-** The minutes for the April 23, 2024, meeting were reviewed and upon motion made by Mr. Phalen, and seconded, the minutes were approved unanimously.

- 2. **Finance Committee Report** Mr. Vaughn stated Ms. Munson will review the FY2025 budget that will be voted on at the next meeting. Ms. Munson reviewed the FY25 proposed budget. She stated the complete budget packet could be downloaded online and that a five-year capital plan is also included, which includes the FY25 capital budget. Ms. Munson noted the water rates have a proposed increase of 12% and sewer 8%. She stated this is what has been recommended by the District's rate consultants. She noted most of the increase in operating expenses is from the depreciation expense. Ms. Munson stated not much has changed in the District's non-operating revenues, but non-operating expenses has gone up quite a bit due to the bond interest expense. She noted the District is also planning another bond issuance so the bond issuance costs for the next round is included. She noted really nothing of significance has changed in the budget other than depreciation and bond interest expense. Mr. Gaynor stated the Finance Committee recommends approval of the proposed budget.
- 3. **General Manager Update-** Mr. Tafao stated they are in the process of going through the easement again on the piping project through Sea Pines for parking lots 1 & 2. Mr. Tafao stated the plan is to be through the parking lots before July 4th so they will be available for the holiday. He noted on the Cordillo Pipeline project they are in the process of pulling the pipeline through Pope Avenue and tying in at Shipyard. Mr. Tafao stated the operating permit for the high service pump station at the existing RO was just received. He noted once the Cordillo Pipeline is completed, the District will be able to utilize the high service pump station for that. He stated the cretaceous well is still in the developmental stage.
- 4. **Executive Session-** A motion to enter executive session was made by Mr. Richardson at 8:25 a.m. to discuss legal matters. Mr. Gaynor made a motion to end the executive session at 8:30 a.m. No action was taken.
- 5. **Other Business-** Mr. Martin stated he is celebrating 55 years in business at the Piggly Wiggly in Coligny. The Board of Commissioners congratulated him on this remarkable accomplishment.

There being no further business, Mr. Phalen made a motion that was seconded, to adjourn the

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