

**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE  
HEBER PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
1078 Dogwood Rd., Suite 104  
Heber, CA, 92249**

**Wednesday, December 6, 2017 @ 6:00 p.m.**

**MINUTES of SPECIAL MEETING**

The District recognizes its obligation to provide equal access to those individuals with disabilities. Please contact the District (760-482-2440) two working days prior to the meeting with any special requests for reasonable accommodation.

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting of the Board of Directors of the Heber Public Utility District was held at the District's meeting room and called to order @ 6:00 pm by President Diahna-Garcia Ruiz.

**2. ROLL CALL:**

Director's present at Roll Call: S. Escobedo, M. Nolasco, Jr., T. Sandoval, D. Garcia-Ruiz, & P. Tabarez, Jr. Also present General Manager Laura Fischer, Board Secretary Raquel Carrillo, Finance Manager Graciela Lopez, and General Counsel Steve Walker.

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Garcia-Ruiz

**4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Motion to approve the Agenda as presented was made by Director Nolasco, Jr., seconded by Director Tabarez, Jr.

Motion approved by Roll Call: 5/0

AYES: S. Escobedo, M. Nolasco, Jr., T. Sandoval, D. Garcia-Ruiz,  
P. Tabarez, Jr.

**5. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS/COMMENT: None at present time.**

The Board may set time limits on the amount of time any speaker can use to address the Board. Members of the public are allowed to make comments about anything not listed on the agenda. If the comments concern an agenda item, they must wait until that item is up for discussion. If you wish to address the Board, please fill out a "Request to Speak Form" and hand it to the Clerk of the Board and when recognized by the President of the Board, go to the podium and address the Board. The Board can't take action on any item not on the agenda.

**6. NEW BUSINESS: Discussion and Possible Action**

- A. Support Heber Tamale Cook-Off with an Increase to the Public Outreach Budget in an Amount Not to Exceed \$2,000, and Waive Ordinance 222 Allowing Alcohol to be sold at Tito Park on January 20, 2018 – General Manager.

Mr. & Mrs. Juan Molina approached the Board with plans and ideas for the first Tamale Cook-Off in Heber.

Motion to waive Ordinance 222 for January 20, 2018 for the Heber Tamale Festival; Modify HPUD event calendar to include Tamale Festival; include HPUD as a title sponsor of the event; and ensure 50% of profits from event will be donated to a local non-profit or Heber youth organization, was made by Director Sandoval, seconded by Director Tabarez, Jr.

Motion approved by Roll Call: 4/0 w/1 abstain

AYES: S. Escobedo, M. Nolasco, Jr., T. Sandoval, and P. Tabarez, Jr.

ABSTAIN: D. Garcia-Ruiz

- B. Approve the Applicant's Award Contract between the Heber Public Utility District and the Imperial Irrigation District Local Entity Grant Program to Receive Community Benefit Grant Funds to Construct a Recreation Facility – General Manager

Motion to Approve the Applicant's Award Contract between the Heber Public Utility District and the Imperial Irrigation District Local Entity Grant Program was made by Director Nolasco, seconded by Director Escobedo.

Motion approved by Roll Call: 5/0

AYES: S. Escobedo, M. Nolasco, Jr., T. Sandoval, D. Garcia-Ruiz,  
P. Tabarez, Jr.

- C. Adopt Resolution 2017-13 Reciting the Fact of Election Held on November 7, 2017 Declaring Results and Such Other Matters as Provided by Law – General Manager

Motion to Adopt Resolution 2017-13 Reciting the Fact of Election Held on November 07, 2017 Declaring Results and Such Other Matters as Provided by Law, was made by Director Tabarez, seconded by Director Nolasco, Jr.

Motion approved by Roll Call: 5/0

AYES: S. Escobedo, M. Nolasco, Jr., T. Sandoval, D. Garcia-Ruiz,  
P. Tabarez, Jr.

**7. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:**

Board took a moment @ 6:30 pm to make presentations.

- A. Presentation to Outgoing Board Member – Vice President, Sergio Escobedo

Mr. Escobedo served on the Board from 2009 to 2017.

- B. Presentation to Outgoing Board Member – President, Diahna Garcia-Ruiz

Ms. Garcia-Ruiz served on the Board from 1997-2017

- C. Remarks by Outgoing Board Members

After presentations from a representative from Assembly Member Garcia's Office on behalf of Assemblyman Garcia and Senator Hueso followed by remarks from outgoing Board members the Board reconvened back to meeting at 6:50

**8. INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS:**

A. Board Secretary Administers Oath of Office to:

Re-Elected Board Member Tony Sandoval  
Newly Elected Board Member Moises Cardenas  
Newly Elected Board Member Kaine Garcia

Board Secretary, Raquel Carrillo, administered Oath of Office to Re-Elected and Newly Elected Board members and welcomed them.

**9. BOARD REORGANIZATION:**

A. Nominate and Elect a Board Member to the Office of President  
Director Sandoval Nominated Director Nolasco, Jr. to the Office of President,  
Nomination made by Director Sandoval, seconded by Director Tabarez.

Motion approved by Roll Call: 5/0

AYES: M. Cardenas, M. Nolasco, Jr., T. Sandoval, K. Garcia, and  
P. Tabarez, Jr.

B. Nominate and Elect a Board Member to the Office of Vice-President  
Director Sandoval Nominated Director Tabarez, Jr. to the Office of  
Vice-President. Nomination made by Director Sandoval, seconded by Director  
Cardenas.

Motion approved by Roll Call: 5/0

AYES: M. Cardenas, M. Nolasco, Jr., T. Sandoval, K. Garcia, and  
P. Tabarez, Jr.

C. Nominate and Elect a Board Member to the Office of Treasurer.  
Director Sandoval Nominated Director Tabarez, Jr. to the Office of Treasurer.  
Nomination made by Director Sandoval, seconded by Director Cardenas.

Motion approved by Roll Call: 5/0

AYES: M. Cardenas, M. Nolasco, Jr., T. Sandoval, K. Garcia and  
P. Tabarez, Jr.

**10. ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 pm was made by Director Sandoval, seconded  
by Director Nolasco, Jr.

Motion approved by Roll Call: 5/0

AYES: M. Cardenas, M. Nolasco, Jr., T. Sandoval, K. Garcia, and  
P. Tabarez, Jr.

Reception to be held immediately following meeting in the HPUD board room.