# RECLAMATION DISTRICT NO. 1000 BOARD OF TRUSTEES ACTION SUMMARY September 9, 2016 1633 Garden Hwy Sacramento, CA 95834

| Trustees Present:    | Avdis, Barandas, Christophel, Harris, Jones and Smith               |
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| Trustees Absent:     | Gilbert   |
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| Staff in Attendance: | General Manager Devereux, Secretary Figueroa, Foreman Del Castillo, |
|                      | Attorney James Day, and PR Consultant Karen Pardieck.               |

#### President Christophel Presided at the meeting.

#### 1. Approval of the Minutes – August 12, 2016 and August 17, 2016

It was moved by Trustee Harris to adopt the minutes of August 12 and August 17 as presented. The Motion was seconded by Trustee Smith, duly put and carried by a unanimous vote.

#### 2. Administrative Items

#### A. Treasurer's Report for August 2016

Fund Balances for August 2016 are as follows:

| Checking:         | \$ 845,683.19    |
|-------------------|------------------|
| Money Market:     | \$ 817,416.73    |
| County Treasurer: | \$ 3, 276,727.27 |
| LAIF:             | \$ 1,718,942.90  |
| City Pool A:      | \$ 1,010,751.96  |

Motion by Trustee Harris to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. The motion was seconded by Trustee Jones, duly put and carried by a unanimous vote.

#### B. Expenditure Report for August 2016

The expenditures for the month of August 2016 were \$236,100.14. Expenditures from the various funds are as follows: Operation and Maintenance - \$231,100.12, Capital - \$4,980.02.

#### **3. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### A. SAFCA Representatives

Trustee Barandas reported on the SAFCA Executive Committee meeting. The Committee discussed the Federal appropriations bills and the status of the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA). The WRDA may pass by the end of the year. The current WRDA version changes the language for transfer of credits from one project to another. The current law says the Corps of Engineers COULD allow credits from one project to be used toward another, the new language will be the Corps of Engineers WILL allow the credit transfer. GM Devereux noted this would allow credits from the work in Natomas that has been done to be applied to the local share for the Folsom Dam raise.

Trustee Barandas also reported it appears the Federal Government will not pass a FY 2017 budget and will be working on a Continuing Resolution, which affects available funding for the Natomas project. The project may continue, but the FY 2017 funds in the proposed budget may not be available. The Corps needs a portion of those funds to award the first construction contract for the slurry wall construction on Garden Highway from Gateway Oaks to Northgate Blvd. Most of the right of way needed in the area is complete with the exception of 4 parcels/driveways. Construction is scheduled to begin in April 2017.

He noted FEMA has prepared draft guidelines on the implementation of Executive Order (EO) 13690 which discusses new rules for federal funding of projects in floodplains. Comments are due by October 21, 2016. GM Devereux and Counsel will review the order to determine if the District should comment. Trustee Jones stated she would like to review the EO as well.

## **B.** Executive Committee

Trustee Christophel reported the Executive Committee met on August 31 to review the Agenda for the September 9 Board meeting. In attendance at the meeting were Trustees Christophel, Barandas and General Manager Devereux, Trustee Harris participated via telephone. A copy of the minutes of the Executive Committee was included in the Board packet.

# 4A. Approve Easement Agreement for Access Road between Demmon Natomas LP, SAFCA and RD 1000 – Natomas Levee Project near Natomas Park Driver (Creekside Apartment Project)

General Manager Devereux reported the District currently has no access to the landside toe of the Garden Highway levee between Natomas Park Drive and I-5. This levee is being improved as part of the Federal Natomas Levee Improvement Project. The parcel where the levee improvements, including a proposed access easement, are located is being developed into a large apartment complex. SAFCA has negotiated and acquired the necessary right of way to accommodate the future levee footprint enlargement by the Corps of Engineers. The non – exclusive easement included in the Board packet will provide reasonable access from Natomas Park Drive for future operations and maintenance activities of this reach of the levee.

It was moved by Trustee Avdis to authorize the General Manager to execute the Easement Agreement for Access Road with SAFCA and Demmon Natomas LP on a portion of APN 274-0410-026. The motion was seconded by Trustee Harris, duly put and carried by a unanimous vote.

## 4B. Pumping Plant #8 Security Fencing Contract – Soto Construction

General Manager Devereux reported the Security Fence at Plant No. 8 has been completed and a notice of completion has been issued as of August 26, 2016 which initiates a one year warranty period. During construction the District approved three change orders with a net cost increase of \$4,873.32, resulting in a total contract amount of \$60,079.32.

It was moved by Trustee Avdis to accept the Soto Construction Security Fence Contract at Plant No. 8 as completed. The motion was seconded by Trustee Jones, duly put and carried by a unanimous vote.

#### 4C. Approve Reclamation District No. 1000 Flood Emergency Action Plan

General Manager Devereux reported the District's Emergency Action plan has been included in the Board packet. This plan was prepared with funds from a regional flood preparedness grant by the State Department of Water Resources to the City of Sacramento, County of Sacramento, American River Flood Control District and Reclamation District No. 1000. This EAP meets the flood safety plan requirements of Section 9650 of the California Water Code and is compliant with the California Standardized Emergency Management System (SEMS), the National Incident Management System (NIMS).

GM Devereux and Attorney Day have made some red-lined changes to the EAP including recognizing Sutter County's role in the District EAP. The plan will be reviewed and updated annually by the General Manager and brought to the Board at least every five years for review and approval. The EAP will be distributed to partner flood agencies in the Sacramento Region as well as the State Department of Water Resources and the Central Valley Flood Protection Board. Next month GM Devereux will also be bringing a resolution to the Board authorizing the GM to enter into contracts during an emergency

The Board discussed the draft EAP and requested the final plan with the red-lined changes included along with the proposed emergency contracting resolution be brought back at the October Board meeting for action.

#### 4D. 2016-17 CSDA Transparency Certification

Administrative Services Manager Figueroa reported the District has complied with and received a renewal of the Transparency Certification for 2016-17.

#### 5. Items Schedule for information and Discussion – General Manager's Report

#### A Regional Flood Control Issues

GM Devereux noted Trustee Barandas has covered regional flood control issues in his SAFCA report.

#### **B.** Flood Season Preparations

GM Devereux reported the District's annual pre-flood season levee inspections will start September 19 using our consulting engineer team. Letters will go out to Garden Highway property owners today. As part of our flood season preparations, he reported the pump station testing will be completed. Staff will be participating in the Flood fight exercise and a pre-flood meeting with the State. The latest forecast is for a likely ENSO neutral year, which historically has resulted in below normal precipitation.

# C. Corps Design Progress Natomas Levee Improvements and Rights of Way Issues (update)

General Manager reported there is not much new to report; the COE is still on schedule to award the first levee contract in 2017. They will be removing trees that are in the first contract footprint between Gateway Oaks and Northgate Blvd. The second contract will be the levee improvements between the Arden Garden Connector and SAFCA's pump plant on the Natomas East Main Drain Canal (Reach H) scheduled for 2018. They are also designing the Pumping Plant 4 project and Vestal Drain relocation for 2018. Trustee Smith asked if he District has any input into the Plant 4 options. GM Devereux replied we are working with the Corps of Engineers with assistance from Mead & Hunt. Trustee Avdis asked the status on the design of Reach H, with a 60% design have they figured out the real estate take line? GM Devereux replied it is still in flux but is becoming clearer. The full proposed take line should be known soon.

## **D.** Encroachment Permits

General Manager Devereux reported he has received an encroachment permit for 2493 Garden Highway for a fence and vegetation. New owners of 3051 want to add a second story and remodel the existing house. The owner went through the Sacramento County permitting process but were just recently advised to talk to the District.

## E. North Precinct Project (Sacramento County) Staff briefing

General Manager Devereux reported he will be meeting with the developer and Sacramento County on the proposed North Precinct development project east of Highway 99 between Elverta Road and Elkhorn Blvd. The plan proposes a new drainage concept with wide floodway corridors rather than the current narrow drainage canals. The developer will provide an informational briefing to the Board at the October meeting.

## F. Strategic Plan Implementation update

General Manager Devereux reported Grace Consulting is working with staff on desk procedures for the Admin Services Manager and Admin Assistant position and he is still working on the succession plan.

# G. Update Homeless coordination with stakeholders

General Manager Devereux reported he will be meeting with the Urbanization Committee on the September 21<sup>st</sup>. However there has been no positive feedback from ARFCD on the proposed memorandum of understanding regarding the homeless camping situation in the floodways.

## H. Update On SWIF Document – Comments from Corps of Engineers

GM Devereux reported staff and our consultants are working with the Corps on issues to be included in the Draft System-wide Improvement Framework or SWIF. The draft SWIF should come to the Board after the first of the year

## I. Amorosa Ranch Project – Meeting with the City of Roseville

General Manager Devereux reported he met with representatives from the City of Roseville, Sutter County and SAFCA about our concerns on increased runoff from this and other projects on the Natomas Cross Canal watershed. Roseville has agreed to look at implementing mitigation detention in a phased approach; however, they are also open to downstream projects in Sutter County that would be more beneficial to mitigate flood impacts. A working group will be established to develop options and make a recommendation.

## 6) Trustee's Reports

None to report

## 7) Public Outreach Report – Karen Pardieck

Ms. Pardieck reported on Monday Vision Launchers will be starting the interviews for the video. Ms. Pardieck and GM Devereux met with Natomas School District and showed them the flood model. There were excited about it and would like to incorporate it into the curriculum. Ms. Pardieck is completing the newsletter and will meet with the Urbanization Committee for review. On Saturday September 17<sup>th</sup> GM Devereux and Ms. Pardieck will be set up at the Pops in the Park event. Ms. Pardieck will be transmitting the CSDA Transparency certification announcement to ACWA news and N Magazine.

#### 8) District Counsel's Report

Attorney Day reported on activity of his firm on behalf of the District for August 2016.

## 9) Superintendent's Report

District Forman DelCastillo reported on the work staff and done in the month of August. A copy of the Superintendent's report was provided in the Board packet.

The Board held a discussion on the pros and cons of using sheep and goats for levee maintenance.

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned.

President

Secretary