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LOS OLIVOS COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT TECHNICAL SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING June 28, 2024 – 8:30 AM St Mark's in the Valley Episcopal Church

Posted: 6-21-2024

2901 Nojoqui Ave, Los Olivos CA 93441
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Subcommittee Members: Director Fayram (Chair), Directors Parks, and General Manager Guy Savage

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MEETING AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Fayram calls the meeting to order at 8:32 AM.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Chair Fayram, Director Parks, GM Savage

Absent: None

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Members of the public may address the Subcommittee on any items of interest within the subject matter and jurisdiction of the Board but not on the agenda today (Gov. Code - 54954.3). The public may also request future agenda topics at this time. Speakers are limited to a maximum of 3 minutes. Due to the requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act, the Subcommittee cannot take action today on any matter not on the agenda, but a matter raised during Public Comments can be referred to District staff for discussion and possible action at a future meeting. Chair Fayram opens the floor to public comment.

No requests to speak.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

All matters listed hereunder constitute an administrative / consent agenda and will be acted upon by a single vote of the Board. Matters listed on the Consent Agenda will be read only on the request of a member of the Subcommittee, in which event the matter may be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered as a separate item. Public may comment on any of the items prior to the vote being taken by the Subcommittee.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

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A. MINUTES APPROVAL

Approval of minutes from April 26, 2024 and May 6, 2024. Chair Fayram opens the floor to public comment.

No requests to speak.

Motion to approve consent agenda.

Motion by: Director Parks; Second: Director Fayram

Voice vote: 3-0

BUSINESS ITEMS:

All matters listed hereunder will be acted upon separately and public comment will be held for each item. As a Subcommittee of the full Board of Directors, Business Items may include one or more recommendations for further discussion or action at a full Board of Directors meeting.

5. DISCUSSION ON REGEN 30% ENGINEERING DESIGN HYBRID COLLECTION FINAL DELIVERABLE

The Subcommittee will discuss the final deliverable from the REGEN contract which provided a 30% engineering design of a hybrid collection solution. Representatives from REGEN may be on hand, via Zoom, to answer questions. The final deliverable is posted online at:

https://www.losolivoscsd.com/files/6436928e3/Los+Olivos+-+Basis+of+Design+Hybrid+Collection+Analysis+Rev+1.1+Final.pdf GM Savage introduces the item, noting that the Technical Subcommittee never really got to review the final deliverable before it was presented at the full Board meeting.

Chair Fayram talks about a desire to have a better breakdown of costs and to make it clearer. Annual costs, maintenance, and other costs should be capitalized so people can make a more informed decision. He adds a comment about on-going ownership of the equipment and whether there are easements. Director Parks comments that he felt REGEN did a good job.

Chair Fayram opens the floor to public comment.

Kathryn Rohrer speaks.

6. GENERAL DISCUSSION OF COLLECTION, TREATMENT, AND DISPOSAL OPTIONS

The Subcommittee will discuss options for the collection, treatment, and disposal of wastewater for the District. Given the Regen contract, this discussion will focus heavily on Treatment options, including Membrane Bioreactor (MBR), connection to Solvang's treatment plant, and other solutions previously brought up by members of the public.

GM Savage notes that this is a standing item.

Director Parks asks about speaking to REGEN about treatment options. Chair Fayram asks about speaking to Cloacina as well, potentially getting new numbers from them related to use of effluent collection as opposed to gravity fed.

Chair Fayram opens the floor to public comment.

Kathryn Rohrer speaks.

7. DISCUSSION ON GROUNDWATER MONITORING WELLS GRANT AND WELL INSTALLATION AND TESTING

The Subcommittee will discuss progress of the grant and/or implementation of the groundwater monitoring project and subsequent sampling/testing. Test results from the May 16, 2024 sampling have not been received as of the posting of this agenda – if they are received prior to the meeting an addendum will be published.

GM Savage notes that an addendum was posted on Monday, June 24, 2024 – which is even before required Brown Act timelines.

Director Parks asks continuing split level testing, GM Savage responds that the District agreed to provide testing twice a year, for nitrates only, and not to do split level testing.

Chair Fayram opens the floor to public comment.

Kathryn Rohrer speaks.

Director Fayram asks about action levels for nitrates. GM Savage responds that the CCRWQCB has said that they look at any community over 1, with 10 being the MCL. Director Parks comments that he asked REGEN about the nitrate levels, REGEN commented that they know of a company that also can suggest some testing approaches.

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8. DISCUSSION RELATED TO THE UPCOMING AUGUST 21, 2024 COMMUNITY WORKSHOP ON COLLECTION AND TREATMENT OPTIONS

The Subcommittee will discuss the upcoming August 21, 2024 workshop and potential content for the workshop. The General Manager will provide an update on actions already taken. He will also seek input from the Subcommittee on areas he still needs help defining.

GM Savage notes that much of the coordination for the meeting has been completed. He says that he is hoping the subcommittee can help him define the content of the meeting a little better.

Director Fayram suggests that the item be added to the full Board meeting on July 10 as well. He adds that having a second workshop on treatment. He comments that having something that shows how it pieces together will be helpful. Director Parks adds that it isn't a "final" decision making discussion, more just an informational and starting workshop.

Chair Fayram opens the floor to public comment.

Kathryn Rohrer and Michelle de Werd.

GM Savage responds to public comment regarding property owner vote (Proposition 218), noting that it will be on the agenda for July. Chair Fayram further responds to public commentary stating that he wants to be careful to not overload the workshop. GM Savage responds that the public and subcommittee commentary is helpful to help set the agenda for the workshop. Director Parks comments about the community's desire to have final costs.

9. DISCUSSION REGARDING POSSIBLE LOCSD CONNECTION TO THE CITY OF SOLVANG'S WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT AND RELATED INFRASTRUCTURE

The LOCSD Board of Directors wrote a letter to the City of Solvang expressing interest in connecting to the City's wastewater infrastructure. The City concurred that exploring a potential connection by the LOCSD to the City's wastewater treatment plant and related infrastructure makes sense at its January 22, 2024 City Council meeting. See the January 10, 2024 Regular Meeting agenda of the LOCSD Board of Directors for more details: https://www.losolivoscsd.com/files/2d9f1238c/2024-1-10+Packet+Los+Olivos+CSD+Regular+Meeting.pdf
The Subcommittee will discuss potential connection to the City of Solvang, including technical issues raised by connection.

Director Parks wonders aloud about what a homeowner would pay. Subcommittee members discuss the costs related to connecting to the City of Solvang. GM Savage notes that he likes to compare LOCSD to SYCSD as they are both non-City entities.

Chair Fayram opens the floor to public comment.

Kathryn Rohrer speaks

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

All matters listed hereunder are informational only, no action will be taken, and public comment not received.

10. SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

Subcommittee members will give reports on any meetings that they attended on behalf of the Subcommittee and/or choose to comment on various Subcommittee activities. Subcommittee member requests for future agenda items may also be made at this time.

Director Parks – none Chair Fayram – none GM Savage – Comments about issues he

11. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 9:24 AM.

Motion by: Director Parks; Second: Director Fayram

Voice vote: 3-0

Respectfully submitted:
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Guy W. Savage
General Manager – Los Olivos Community Services District
Approved:
Chair – Director Tom Fayram