

## MINUTES

### GARDEN GROVE SANITARY DISTRICT

A regular meeting of the Garden Grove Sanitary District Board of Directors was called to order in the Council Chamber of the Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Avenue, on Tuesday, April 26, 2005, at 7:35 p.m.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: (5) PRESIDENT DALTON, MEMBERS KREBS, LEYES, NGUYEN, ROSEN

ABSENT: (0) NONE

ALSO PRESENT: General Manager, Matthew Fertal; Deputy General Manager, Les Jones; Finance Director, Kingsley Okereke; Public Works Director, Keith Jones; Legal Counsel, John Shaw; and Deputy Secretary, Priscilla Stierstorfer.

#### ORAL COMMUNICATIONS - PUBLIC

There were no public oral communications relevant to the District.

#### RECESS

At 8:45 p.m., President Dalton declared a recess.

#### RECONVENE

At 9:00 p.m., the meeting was reconvened with President Dalton and all Board members in attendance.

#### STATUS REPORT ON THE SANITARY DISTRICT OPERATIONS WITHIN THE CITY (F: S-128.3)

Staff report dated April 26, 2005, was introduced, reviewing the status of the Garden Grove Sanitary District activities for the past month.

It was moved by Member Krebs, seconded by Member Rosen, and carried by unanimous vote, that the Status Report on the Sanitary

District activities within the city from mid-March through mid-April 2005, be and hereby is received and ordered filed.

MINUTES (F: Vault)

It was moved by Member Krebs, seconded by Member Rosen, and carried by unanimous vote, that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Sanitary District held March 22, 2005, be and hereby are approved.

PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION REVISING  
THE DEVELOPER SEWER CONNECTION FEE SCHEDULE

(F: S-60.1) (XR: S-55.12)

Staff report dated April 26, 2005, was introduced, noting that due to inflation, the existing connection fees no longer reflect the fair share cost of new development to connect to and use the sewer system.

President Dalton declared the public hearing opened and asked if anyone wished to address the District Board on the matter.

Charles Mitchell commented that people are concerned that the City is raising fees. He noted that this is not a tax increase. This is an issue of what the City needs to do to bring the sewers up to the standard of what the City needs. New developments have overloaded the system. He noted that the system has to be built up for the growth of the city.

Ray Littrell commented that the fees should be increased for parks. He was not in favor of putting in sewers; although, the developer that causes the problem should pay the entire cost.

Bob Owens commented that a sewer fee is a tax increase. The problem can be solved by not having any more development.

There being no further comments from the audience, the public hearing was declared closed.

Member Leyes commented that the connection fee is a one-time fee that is charged on the development. It makes some sense to increase these fees. They appear to be too low. He inquired as to where a new hotel would fall in the new schedule. Zeki Kayiran, AKM Consulting Engineers, responded that the range is based on the user size. A new hotel fee will be based on the water meter use, which would place it on the upper range of the calculations.

Member Rosen commented that the rates are similar or lower than most cities. It brings the hook-up fees in line, and it is a one-time fee, which is assessed on new development and not current residents. The City should bring its costs and services for new development in line to deal with the new restrictions from the Water Quality Board. Those restrictions are unfounded mandates.

President Dalton commented that the increases are in line with what other cities are charging.

Member Leyes commented that the idea to stop any further building is not practical, noting that people have a right to build on their property. Developers should pay their share to expand the system to accommodate the impact from the project.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 3678

Member Rosen moved, seconded by Member Krebs, that full reading of Resolution No. 3678 be waived, and said Resolution entitled A RESOLUTION OF THE GARDEN GROVE SANITARY DISTRICT AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 3675 RELATING TO DEVELOPER SEWER CONNECTION CHARGES, be and hereby is adopted. Upon the following vote:

AYES:	MEMBERS:	(4)	KREBS, LEYES, ROSEN, DALTON
NOES:	MEMBERS:	(1)	NGUYEN
ABSENT:	MEMBERS:	(0)	NONE

Resolution No. 3678 was declared adopted.

#### AWARD OF CONTRACT TO PERFORM CLEANING AND CLOSED CIRCUIT TELEVISION INSPECTION OF THE SEWER SYSTEM (F: S-55.18)

Staff report dated April 26, 2005, was introduced.

It was moved by Member Krebs, seconded by Member Rosen, and carried by unanimous vote, that Empire Pipe Cleaning & Equipment, Inc., be and hereby is determined to be the lowest acceptable bidder in connection with the cleaning and closed circuit television (CCTV) inspection of the sewer system; that contract for said project be and hereby is awarded to said company in the sum of \$308,441.95, in accordance with the terms of the City's plans and specifications and the bid submitted by said company; that all other bids be and hereby are rejected; and the General Manager and Secretary are authorized to execute said contract.

REPORT FROM ORANGE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE  
(F: S-128.4)

President Dalton noted that on Wednesday, April 27, 2005, the Orange County Sanitation District will be voting to increase the sewer fee by 15%, which will be added onto the property tax. He encouraged everyone to attend the meeting, which begins at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:25 p.m., the meeting was declared adjourned.

PRISCILLA STIERSTORFER  
DEPUTY SECRETARY