#### SUNBELT FRESH WATER SUPPLY DISTRICT

#### MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

## **April 17, 2025**

The Board of Directors (individually referred to as "Directors," collectively, the "Board") of Sunbelt Fresh Water Supply District (the "District") met in a regular Bookkeeping and Management Session, at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 17, 2025, at 410 West Gulf Bank Road, Houston, Texas, pursuant to notice of said meeting posted in accordance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code; whereupon the roll was called of the members of the Board, to-wit:

Nathan Wade President
Sandra Jaramillo Vice President
Elizabeth Santiago Secretary

Lynda Powell Assistant Secretary

Ruben Salazar Director

All Board members were present, except for Director Jaramillo, thus constituting a quorum. Also attending were LaDonna Smith and Mary Jane Mendoza, employees of the District; Barbara Nussa of Republic Services of Houston ("Republic"); Susan Hill of Governmental Financial Reporting, LLC ("Bookkeeper"); Greg Dubiel of Municipal Operations and Consulting, Inc. ("Operator" or "MOC"); Eric Hanson, Redi Kanani, and Eboni Williams of Ergos Technology; Elliot M. Barner, attorney, of Radcliffe Adams Barner PLLC ("Attorney" or "RAB").

The President, after finding that the notice of the meeting was posted as required by law and determining that a quorum of the Board was present, called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and declared it open for such business as may regularly come before it.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

The President then opened the meeting to public comment.

As no public comments were offered, the President directed the Board to proceed with the agenda.

# SOLID WASTE COLLECTION REPORT

Ms. Nussa presented Republic's Solid Waste Collection Report.

## **MINUTES**

The President next directed the Board to consider the approval of the minutes of the regular meeting held on February 20, 2025.

Upon a **motion** by Director Santiago, seconded by Director Powell, after full discussion and with all Directors present voting aye, the Board approved the minutes of the regular meeting held on February 20, 2025, as presented.

#### BOOKKEEPER'S REPORT

Ms. Hill then presented the Bookkeeper's Report, a copy of which is available upon request.

Ms. Hill next reviewed with the Board the District's current bills and financial statements and responded to questions from the Board.

Ms. Hill next presented the Quarterly Investment Report for the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) quarter of the Fiscal Year Ending ("FYE") June 30, 2025.

Upon a **motion** by Director Santiago, seconded by Director Powell, after full discussion and with all Directors present voting aye, the Board: 1) approved the Bookkeeper's Report, as presented; 2) authorized payment of current bills; and 3) approved the Quarterly Investment Report for the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) quarter of the FYE June 30, 2025, as presented.

Ms. Hill exited the meeting at this time.

# **WORKSHOP TO REVIEW DRAFT BUDGET FOR FYE JUNE 30, 2026**

The Board next discussed scheduling a special meeting to review the District's budget for FYE June 30, 2026. It was the consensus of the Board to hold such meeting on May 6, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

# **OPERATOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Dubiel presented the Operator's Report to the Board, a copy of which is available upon request, and reviewed with the Board the general operations, maintenance and repairs that occurred within the District, including water and wastewater operations and water accountability for the District's service areas.

Mr. Dubiel then reported Blower No. 1 at the Wastewater Treatment Plant ("WWTP") in the Woodland Oaks Service Area is not working and has been pulled for repairs by STP Services ("STP"). Mr. Dubiel further reported that RAS pumps nos. 1 and 4 are not working.

Mr. Dubiel then reported that Booster Pump No. 1 at the Woodland Oaks Water Plant No. 1 has been pulled for repairs and once reinstalled, Booster Pump No. 2 will be pulled. Mr. Dubiel then reported that Booster Pump No. 3 is leaking and MOC is waiting on spillage container for the liquid ammonium sulfate ("LAS") tanks.

Mr. Dubiel next reported on the WWTP in the Heather Glen Service Area, relating to Lift Pump Nos. 1 and No. 2 not working, stating suction broke in both lines. Mr. Dubiel further stated the seal on the gearbox bar screen was broken and leaking oil.

Mr. Dubiel next reported that MOC continues waiting to receive an alternator for the Heather Glen Water Plant, while such water plant continues operating on two (2) pumps.

Mr. Dubiel next reported on Water Plant No. 1 in the High Meadows Service Area. Mr. Dubiel stated that Well No. 2 is back up and running while generator was still down. Mr. Dubiel further stated that STP is working on it.

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Mr. Dubiel next reported on the High Meadows Marquita Water Plant. Mr. Dubiel stated the well is tripping. Mr. Dubiel stated that MOC found an underground leak and has called STP for repairs.

Mr. Dubiel next reported that Water Plant No. 2 in the High Meadows Service Area was online for one (1) week but tripped over the weekend.

Mr. Dubiel next reported on the WWTP in the Oakwilde Service Area. Mr. Dubiel stated that Pump No. 1 has a bad check valve and Pump No. 2 has locked up. Mr. Dubiel further stated that STP still has a non-potable pump ready to be installed.

Mr. Dubiel next reported that Water Plant No. 2 in the Oakwilde Service Area is still offline and under construction.

Mr. Dubiel next reported that Harris County Precinct No. 2 ("Precinct No. 2") contacted the District relating to a sink hole issue on Harrow Street, between Merrimac Street and Monitor Street. Mr. Dubiel stated that Precinct No. 2 placed crushed limestone on the area and covered it with a steel plate. Mr. Dubiel stated that after removing the plate and initiated excavating, dye was observed entering the nearby manhole at multiple points. Mr. Dubiel further stated the line was televised and upon review of the CCTV Footage, a decision to slip-line or full excavation will be determined.

Upon a **motion** by Director Salazar, seconded by Director Powell, after full discussion and with all Directors present voting aye, the Board approved the Operator's Report, as presented.

### **OFFICE REPORT**

Ms. Mendoza then presented the Monthly Revenue and Water Accountability Report, a copy of which is available upon request.

Ms. Smith then reviewed the Door Tag Report and Returned Check Report for March 2025. Ms. Smith further stated that 96 accounts were disconnected last month.

Next, Ms. Smith presented the Meter Reread Report and updated the Board on the number of re-reads for the previous billing cycle.

Ms. Smith then presented to the Board a proposal from Ergos Technology ("Ergos") in the amount of \$18,922.84 for a server replacement. It was the consensus of the Board to approve the proposal from Ergos.

Upon a **motion** by Director Salazar, seconded by Director Powell, after full discussion and with all Directors present voting aye, the Board: 1) accepted the Office Report, as presented; and 2) accepted the proposal presented by Ergos, subject to Attorney's review of the agreement.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD, the meeting was adjourned.

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# PASSED AND APPROVED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2025.



Elizabeth Santiago, Secretary
Sunbelt Fresh Water Supply District