MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF ROCKWALL

ROCKWALL COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 7

The Board of Directors (the "Board") of Rockwall County Municipal Utility District No. 7 (the "District") met in special session, open to the public, on Tuesday, August 15, 2023 at 5:30 p.m., at 1549 Laguna Drive, Rockwall, Texas 75087, an official meeting place outside the boundaries of the District. The roll was called of the members of the Board to-wit:

Larry Christensen President
Sandy Sinks Vice President
Michael W. Skinner Secretary

Terry Jones Treasurer/Assistant Secretary

Martha Ann Cook Assistant Secretary

All members of the Board were present at the commencement of the meeting. Also present were: Mr. Ishmael Machoka of LJA Engineering; Ms. Sam Jones of Robert W. Baird & Co. Inc.; Ms. Stefani Chastain of Dye & Tovery, LLC ("D&T"); and Mr. Ross Martin, attorney, and Ms. Genny Lutzel, paralegal of Winstead PC. Mr. Michael Poole of Lennar Homes participated by audio conference.

- 1. <u>Call to Order</u>. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.
- 1. <u>Public Communications and Comments</u>. Mr. Martin opened the meeting for public communication and comment. Mr. Martin presented to and reviewed with the Board a copy of a letter from Mayor David Billings, City of Fate, Texas regarding property tax exemptions, a copy of which is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit "A"</u>. No other public comments were heard. Following a discussion, Director Christensen moved that the Board close the public comment session. Director Skinner seconded said motion, which carried unanimously.
- 2. <u>Minutes of April 25, 2023 Board of Directors Meeting</u>. Following a discussion, Director Christensen moved to approve the minutes of April 25, 2023, as transcribed. Director Skinner seconded said motion, which carried unanimously.
- 2. 2023 Certified Tax Roll and Resolution Authorizing Tax Rate Calculation Services. Ms. Jones confirmed receipt of the 2023 tax roll, and recommended that the Board authorize Rockwall Central Appraisal District ("RCAD") to perform required tax rate calculations on behalf of the District for 2023 in accordance with Section 26.04 of the Texas Tax Code. Following a discussion, Director Jones moved that the Board acknowledge receipt of the 2023 Tax Roll, and authorize RCAD to perform required tax rate calculations on behalf of the District. Director Cook seconded said motion, which carried unanimously.

- 3. Review 2023 Tax Rate Recommendation from Financial Advisor; approve proposed tax rate for 2023; adopt Notice of Water District Hearing on Tax Rate; and authorize publication of same. The Board next recognized Ms. Jones who presented to and reviewed with the Board the 2023 tax rate calculations and recommendations from RW Baird, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "B". The total tax rate recommendation is \$0.75 per \$100 of net taxable value composed of a maintenance tax rate of \$0.26 per \$100 of assessed valuation, and a utility debt service tax rate of \$0.16 per \$100 of assessed valuation, and a road debt service tax rate of \$0.33 per \$100 of assessed valuation. Following a discussion, Director Jones moved that the Board (i) set the public hearing on the proposed 2023 tax rate for September 12, 2023, at 5:30 p.m.; and (ii) authorize publication of a Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Rate. Director Cook seconded said motion, which carried unanimously.
 - 4. <u>Engineer's Report</u>. No formal report was heard.
- 5. <u>Developer Report</u>. Mr. Poole provided an update to the Board regarding the construction of single-family homes, noting that the development will be completely built out by the end of calendar year 2024. No formal action was taken by the Board.
- 6. <u>Bookkeeping Report</u>. Ms. Chastain reviewed with the Board copies of a Bookkeeper's Report, an updated list of depositories, and a draft budget for fiscal year ending August 31, 2024, copies of which are attached hereto as <u>Exhibit "C"</u> and <u>Exhibit "D"</u>. Following a discussion, Director Jones moved that the Board approve the bookkeeping report, authorize payment of bills presented by checks drawn on the District's accounts, and approve the budget as presented. Director Skinner seconded said motion, which carried unanimously.
- 7. <u>Annual Renewal of Insurance and Bonds</u>. Mr. Martin discussed the matter with the Board, a copy of the summary page is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit "E"</u>. Following a discussion, Director Jones moved to approve the renewal of insurance and bonds effective October 18, 2023. Director Skinner seconded said motion, which carried unanimously.
- 8. Resolution Setting Limit on Fees of Office. Mr. Martin discussed recent changes to Section 49.060, Water Code relative to fees of office for performing the duties of Director. Mr. Martin noted that the Board may elect to increase the fees of office not greater than the amount of per diem set by the Texas Ethics Commission for members of the legislature under Section 24a, Article III, Texas Constitution. Following a discussion, Director Jones moved that the Board (i) authorize an increase in per diem fees for Board members to \$221; and (ii) approve the Resolution related thereto, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "F". Director Skinner seconded said motion, which carried unanimously.
- 9. <u>Adjourn</u>. There being no further business to conduct, Director Jones moved that the meeting be adjourned at 5:49 p.m., and until further call. Director Christensen seconded said motion, which carried unanimously.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 13th day of September, 2023.

(DISTRICT SEAL)



Secretary

Board of Directors