

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

Lincoln City Hall, Third Floor Council Chambers 600 Sixth Street, Lincoln, CA 95648

December 08, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.

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Board of Directors

<u>CITY OF LINCOLN</u> Dan Karleskint, Chair Holly Andreatta <u>COUNTY OF PLACER</u> Jim Holmes, Vice Chair Shanti Landon

General Manager and Secretary George Barber Legal Counsel Wes Miliband

PRELIMINARY MATTERS

- A. CALL TO ORDER
- B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- C. ROLL CALL
- D. SELECTION OF OFFICERS LiSWA's Joint Powers Agreement requires that the Chair and Vice Chair be appointees of different Members, and the Chair and Vice Chair positions must be held by appointees of alternating Members in alternating years. In the first year, the Chair was held by City of Lincoln Director Karleskint and the Vice Chair was held by County of Placer Director Holmes. For the selection this year, the Chair must be a County of Placer Director and the Vice Chair a City of Lincoln Director.
 - 1.1 Discussion, Nomination and Selection of Chair
 - 1.2 Discussion, Nomination and Selection of Vice Chair
- E. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Any member of the public wishing to address the Board of Directors regarding items not on the Agenda within the Authority's subject matter jurisdiction should do so at this time. With respect to items on the Agenda, the Board will receive public comments at the time



the item is opened for discussions, prior to any vote or other Board action. A three-minute time limit is requested. Please complete a speaker card and submit it to the General Manager at the meeting.

ACTION CALENDAR

- 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES 11/17/23 Regular Meeting
- 2. CONSENT ITEMS

It is recommended by the General Manager that these items, which are expected to be routine in nature and without controversy, be received and acted upon by the Board without discussion. If any Board member or interested party requests that an item be removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion, it will be considered separately. The consent calendar may be approved by a single motion to approve, followed by a second and then a call for vote.

None.

- 3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT AND UPDATE A written and verbal report.
- 4. OPERATIONS REPORT AND UPDATE A written and verbal report.
- 5. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH AUBURN RAVINE RANCH FOR FARM MANAGEMENT SERVICES – Consider adoption and authorization for the General Manager to execute the amendment to the agreement with Auburn Ravine Ranch extending the agreement 1 year and subject to renewals – A written and verbal report.
- FINAL REVIEW OF THE BYLAWS AND POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL FOR LISWA

 Consider adoption of the Bylaws and the Policies and Procedures Manual previously provided to the Board and public for input.
- 7. LEGAL REPORT Counsel will provide a verbal report.
- 8. DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS PROVIDED TO ASSIST WITH PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA): In compliance with the ADA, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting or other services in conjunction with this meeting, please contact the Lincoln City Clerk's Office at (916) 434-2490. The meeting room is wheelchair accessible and disabled parking is available. Notification at least 24 hours prior to the meeting or time when services are needed will assist staff in assuring reasonable arrangements can be made to provide accessibility to the meeting or service.

Agenda Availability: The main posting location of the LiSWA Agenda is on the public kiosk outside the entrance of Lincoln City Hall, 600 6th Street, Lincoln, California. Agenda Packets are available for review at the Lincoln City Clerk's Office, 600 6th Street, Lincoln, California.



Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

November 17, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.

PRELIMINARY MATTERS

- A. CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am.
- B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE- The pledge was led by Legal Counsel.
- C. ROLL CALL

Dan Karleskint, Chair Jim Holmes, Vice Chair Holly Andreatta, Director Shanti Landon, Director Staff present: George Barber, General Manager and Board Secretary Wes Miliband, Legal Counsel

D. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There were no public comments on non-agenda items.

ACTION CALENDAR

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – 10/13/23 Regular Meeting

Motion to approve by Director Andreatta, Second by Director Landon, Approved 4-0

2. CONSENT ITEMS

2.1 APPROVAL AND AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT FOR MUNICIPAL FINANCE ADVISORY SERVICES WITH DEL RIO ADVISORS, LLC.

Motion to approve by Director Holmes, Second by Director Andreatta, Approved 4-0

- 3. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT AND UPDATE A written and verbal report was provided discussing Operation RFQ, DMV, and website.
- 4. OPERATIONS REPORT AND UPDATE A written and verbal report was provided by Gary Hengst, Chief Operator, Board questions were answered as he discussed projects and operations.
- 5. CANCEL REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR FEBRUARY 9, 2024 AND WWTRF OPERATIONS CONTRACT INTERVIEWS AND SET A SPECIAL MEETING DATE FOR THE FOLLOWING WEEK - Motion to approve the cancellation and to set the date for



the following Friday, February 16, by Director Holmes, Second by Director Andreatta, Approved 4-0

6. CLOSED SESSION CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION – Closed session conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation Significant Exposure to Litigation (Government Code § 54956.9(d)(2)) – One potential case.

Board of Directors adjourned to closed session at 10:18 am

RECONVENE FROM CLOSED SESSION AND PROVIDE REPORT(S), IF APPLICABLE

Board of Directors reconvened from closed session at 10:35, Legal Counsel announced there was no reportable action from closed session.

7. LISWA UNIT DEFINITION FOR COST OF SERVICE CALCULATION AND REPORTING POLICY – Consider and potentially adopt changes to the policy as set forth in staff report.

It was discussed to maintain communication with any impacted customers. Quarterly reporting to the Board will be provided. Motion to approve by Director Landon, Second by Director Andreatta, Approved 4-0

- 8. DRAFT POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL -The General Manager and Legal Counsel presented the current draft of policies, input was provided by the Board.
- 9. LEGAL REPORT Counsel had nothing additional to report.
- 10. DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS-There were no Director's comments.

ADJOURNMENT Meeting was adjourned at 11:10 am



Lincoln-SMD1 Wastewater Authority

Memorandum

To:Board of DirectorsFrom:George Barber, General ManagerDate:12/08/23 Regular Board MeetingAgenda Item #3SUBJECT:SUBJECT:General Manager's Report

- My focus has been on reviewing proposals for the WWTRF Operations Contract, continuing work on financials, and the conservation easement.
- We received six proposals for review and have passed copies to the committee members and the City and County staff assisting me with the review. There is a lot of information to review, and I certainly appreciate all the effort of those helping in the process.
- The conservation easement closed escrow on November 27, 2023. LiSWA received \$1,282,000 from the escrow and the City of Lincoln transferred the \$500,000 in deposits to LiSWA they previously had received.
- I have been in communication with the County Auditor and Controller to get the assets moved into the financials correctly.
- I had a kickoff meeting with Ken Dieker from Del Rio Advisors, and it went well. We are preparing for bond funding but exploring other options as well.
- I will resume the development of the connection fee analysis after work on the RFQ and once the initial process thoughts are developed, I will work with the TAG and the Treasurer to seek input on the analysis.
- Working with Attorney Wes Miliband on the Policy and Procedure Manual.
- DMV vehicle transfers are complete.
- Billing process is completed, and we are issuing bills.
- I am in regular communication with Gary about operations.
- The PGE accounts have been transferred and the PGE loan for the Oxidation Ditch Project is has been executed. Finalizing Details.
- The timeline for the Operations RFQ is shown below as the process continues.

RFQ Development

LiSWA WWTRF Project Phase I

George Barber

12/1/2023

Project start date: 07/14/23

Milestone description	Assigned to	Progress	Start	Days
Project development Develop RFQ Draft RFQ for Board Input Finalize RFQ Final RFQ for Board Approval		100% 100% 100% 100%	7/14/2023 8/11/2023 9/1/2024 9/8/2023	23 1 20 1

RFQ Evaluation Period

LiSWA WWTRF Project Phase I

George Barber and Selection Team TBD

Project start date: 11/22/23

Milestone description	Assigned to	Progress	Start	Days
RFQ Response Period				
Issue RFQ		100%	9/18/2023	32
RFQ Response due date		100%	11/22/2023	1
Evaluate RFQ Responses		10%	11/22/2023	30
Selection Committee Meets		0%	1/11/2024	1
Interview Top 2		0%	2/15/2024	2
Update Presented to Board		0%	2/16/2024	1

Contract Finalize & Execute

LiSWA WWTRF Project Phase I

Wes Miliband/ George Barber

Project start date: 02/12/24

Milestone description	Assigned to	Progress	Start	Days
Negotiate and Finalize Negotiate Contract Contract Presented to Board Crossover Period if Needed		0% 0%	2/19/2024 3/8/2024 3/8/2024	21 1 115

ltem	Status	Working with	Notes- Green Complete Yellow New
Current Projects			
Reclaimed Water Cost Study			
Connection Fee Analysis	In process		Discussed w/ TAG, developing
Operations RFQ	In process		Proposals Received
Phase I Improvements	In process		Engineering in process
Website	In process		Moved to LiSWA.com while getting .gov approval
Board Compensation Policy	In process		On Agenda
Procurement Policy	In process		On Agenda
Investment Policy	In process		In review
Reserve Policy	In process		In review
NPDES Permit	Renewal in Process		Providing comments
Financial		-	
Develop and Approve Budget	Completed	Lincoln Finance	Completed
Develop process for paying bills with Placer County Treasurer/Auditor	Completed	Placer	Paying Invoices and Billing
Set Charge per WWTRU	Completed	Lincoln/Placer	Approved
Transfer Funds to County	Completed	Lincoln /Placer	Completed
West Yost Billing approval process	Completed		Approved through County Process
Select Municipal Financial Advisor	Completed		Contract on Agenda
Obtain Insurance	Completed		Delivery of Information ongoing
Property Transfers			
Wastewater Treatment Plant	Completed	Lincoln Admin/County Counsel	
Conservation Easement	Completed	Lincoln Admin/County Counsel	Agreement executed
Vehicles	Completed	Lincoln PW	Received form, DMV next
Business Property	Completed	Lincoln Admin	Inventory list and Bill of Sale
Equipment	Completed	Lincoln PW	Inventory list and Bill of Sale
Fixtures	Completed	Lincoln PW	Inventory list and Bill of Sale
Supplies	Completed	Lincoln PW	Inventory list and Bill of Sale
Operations Transfers			
Stantec Operations Agreement	Completed	Lincoln Admin	
Solar Star Power Purchase Agreement	Completed	Lincoln Admin/County Counsel	

Solar Star Site Lease Agreement	Completed	Lincoln Admin/County Counsel	
Machado Recycled Water Agreement	Completed	Lincoln Admin/County Counsel	
Farm Management of Effluent Disposal Lands Auburn Ravine Ranch	Completed	Lincoln Admin/County Counsel	
Western Placer Waste Management Authority Agreement	Completed	Lincoln Admin/County Counsel	
Radmall Lease	Completed	Lincoln Admin/County Counsel	
Utility Services	Completed	Lincoln Admin	
Alarm systems	Completed	Lincoln Admin/County Counsel	
Ensure proper transfer of SMD1 duties	Completed	Stantec/Placer	
Other			
City of Lincoln Admin/IT and Public Works services	Completed		Approved by the Board
Logo, Letterhead, etc.	Completed		
Policies and Procedures			
Debt Management Policy	Completed		Approved
Establish WWTRU Policy	Completed	Lincoln/Placer	Approved

Vendor	VA Expense De Date	etail FY 2023/202 Invoice #	24	Amount	G/L	G/	L BEGINNING BALANCE	(G/L ENDING BALANCE
G/L ACCOUNTING 52040: COMMUNICATION SERVICES EXPENSE		I			52040	ć	12,000.00	\$	12,000.00
Total G/L 52040: COMMUNICATION SERVICES EXPENSE			\$		52040	\$ \$		ې \$	•
G/L ACCOUNTING 52080: INSURANCE			Ş	-		Ş	12,000.00	Ş	12,000.00
Alliant Insurance Services	07/03/23	2353180	\$	169.22	52080	\$	330,000.00	\$	329,830.78
Total G/L 52080: INSURANCE			\$	169.22		\$	330,000.00	\$	329,830.78
G/L ACCOUNTING 52160: FLEET MAINTENANCE City of Lincoln		1	-		52160	\$	20,000.00	\$	20,000.00
Total G/L 52160: FLEET MAINTENANCE			\$		52100	\$	20,000.00	ې \$	20,000.00
G/L ACCOUNTING 52170: FUEL AND LUBRICANTS			Ş	-		Ş	20,000.00	Ş	20,000.00
City of Lincoln - Supplemental June 2023 Invoice	09/06/23	650344	\$	1,288.85	52170	\$	18,000.00	\$	16,711.15
Total City of Lincoln			\$	1,288.85		4			
Total G/L 52170: FUEL AND LUBRICANTS G/L ACCOUNTING 52240: MEMBERSHIP DUES			\$	1,288.85		\$	18,000.00	\$	16,711.15
-,					52240	\$	1,000.00	\$	1,000.00
Total G/L 52240: MEMBERSHIP DUES			\$	-		\$	1,000.00	\$	1,000.00
G/L ACCOUNTING 52360: PROFESSIONAL AND SPECIAL SERVICES - GE Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo	NERAL (SC2940) 07/31/23	688821	\$	18,589.44	52360	\$	100,000.00	\$	81,410.56
Anison, Andelson, Loya, Rudu & Romo	08/31/23	691987	\$	14,032.72	52360	Ş	100,000.00	\$	67,377.84
Total Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo (SC2940)			\$	32,622.16					
Fieldman, Rolapp & Associates	08/04/23	28541	\$	1,047.00	52360	\$	531,000.00	\$	597,330.84
Total Fieldman, Rolapp & Associates (SC2940)	/ /		\$	1,047.00					
West Yost Associates West Yost Associates	06/30/23 07/31/23	2054509 2054801	\$ \$	36,879.89 1.793.00	52360 52360	<u> </u>		\$ \$	560,450.95 523,571.06
West Yost Associates	07/31/23	2054802	\$	35,968.23	52360			\$	521,778.06
West Yost Associates	08/31/23	2055174 2055755	\$ \$	44,910.26	52360 52360	<u> </u>		\$ \$	485,809.83 440,899.57
West Yost Associates Total West Yost Associates (SC2940)	09/30/23	2000/00	\$ \$	39,751.05 159,302.43	5236U	+		Ş	440,899.57
City of Lincoln - Supplemental June 2023 Invoice	09/06/23	650344	\$	10,835.00	52360	\$	50,000.00	\$	440,313.52
Total City of Lincoln			\$	10,835.00					
Sonitrol	07/01/23	5239949	\$	19.96				\$	(19.96)
Sonitrol Sontirol	08/01/23 09/01/23	5241860 5243790	\$ \$	1,161.94 1,161.94				\$ \$	(1,181.90) (2,343.84)
Sonitrol	10/01/23	5245769	\$	1,224.28				\$	(3,568.12)
Total Sonitrol (SC3010) \$1,200 per month \$5,600 Maint/Repairs									
			\$	3,568.12					
Total G/L 52360: PROFESSIONAL AND SPECIAL SERVICES - GENERAL (S			\$	207,374.71		\$	681,000.00	\$	473,625.29
G/L ACCOUNTING 52380 - PROFESSIONAL AND SPECIAL SERVICES TEC City of Lincoln	HNICAL, ENGINEE	RING & ENVIRONME	NTA	L (SC3310)	52380	\$	100,000.00	\$	100,000.00
Total Engineering			\$	-					
Stantec Stantec	07/21/23 07/21/23	2108384 2108385	\$ \$	237,102.00 186,513.63	52380 52380	\$	5,496,263.00	\$ \$	5,359,161.00 5,172,647.37
Stantec	08/27/23	2122422	\$	234,651.00	52380			\$	4,937,996.37
Stantec	08/27/23	2122423	\$	209,474.16	52380			\$	4,728,522.21
Stantec Stantec	09/19/23 09/19/23	2132066 2132067	\$ \$	286,865.00 203,791.27	52380 52380			\$ \$	4,441,657.21 4,237,865.94
Stantec	10/19/23	2146150	\$	237,430.25	52380			\$	4,000,435.69
Stantec Total Stantec	10/19/23	2146151	\$ ¢	385,320.04 1,981,147.35	52380			\$	3,615,115.65
Total G/L 52380: PROFESSIONAL AND SPECIAL SERVICES TECHNICAL, E				1,981,147.35		\$	5,596,263.00	\$	3,615,115.65
G/L ACCOUNTING 52400 - PROFESSIONAL AND SPECIAL SERVICES - I/T		WINDIMIENTAL	Ş.	1,561,147.33		Ş	3,390,203.00	Ş	3,013,113.03
						\$	100,000.00	\$	100,000.00
Total G/L 52400 - PROFESSIONAL AND SPECIAL SERVICES - I/T			\$		_	\$	100,000.00	\$	100,000.00
G/L ACCOUNTING 52450 - SHORT TERM RENTS & LEASES Western Placer WMA	07/01/23	CI124294	\$	4,978.13		\$	57,400.00	\$	52,421.87
Western Placer WMA	08/01/23	C124883	\$	4,978.13				\$	47,443.74
Total G/L 52450 - Short Term Rents & Leases			\$	9,956.26		\$	57,400.00	\$	47,443.74
G/L ACCOUNTING 52510: JPA BOARD MEMBERS (\$200/MEMBER/MTO	G/MO)	1	_			\$	9,600.00	\$	9,600.00
Total G/L 52510: JPA BOARD MEMBERS (\$200/MEMBER/MTG/MO)			\$	-		\$	9,600.00	\$	9,600.00
G/L ACCOUNTING 52570: ADVERTISING/OUTREACH			Ş	-		Ş	3,000.00	Ş	3,000.00
						\$	7,500.00	\$	7,500.00
Total G/L 52570: ADVERTISING/OUTREACH			\$	-		\$	7,500.00	\$	7,500.00
G/L ACCOUNTING 52800 (SC4340) - UTILITIES PG&E	08/03/23	2023-08-03	\$	488.78		\$	1,745,000.00	\$	1,744,511.22
		2023-09-01		459.26		Ė	,	\$	1,744,051.96
PG&E	09/01/23		\$			1		\$	1,743,268.12
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Organization	CO260 Lincoln Sewer Maintenance District 1 Wastewater Authority
Periods	FY2024 : Jul - Jun
Ledger	Actuals
Accounting Worktag	FD32606 Lincoln Sewer Maintenance District 1 Wastewater Authority Fund
Company Currency	USD
Translation Currency	USD
Run	11/30/2023 09:00 AM

Consolidation Data

Ledger Account	Beginning Balance	Debit Amount	Credit Amount	Ending Balance
10010:Cash in Treasury - Unrestricted	5,215,650.73	12,744,034.28	10,231,162.13	7,728,522.88
10099:Cash - Conversion	0.00	4,947,752.00	4,947,752.00	0.00
10250:Accounts Receivable - Customers In System	0.00	7,712,094.27	2,372,181.45	5,339,912.82
10330:Investment Interest Receivable	16,100.54	0.00	16,100.54	0.00
20020:Vouchers Payable	(1,172,991.27)	3,645,345.09	2,472,353.82	0.00
30120:Unassigned Fund Balance	(4,058,760.00)	0.00	0.00	(4,058,760.00)
30121:Fiduciary Net Position	0.00	785,000.00	0.00	785,000.00
30210:Assigned Fund Balance	0.00	0.00	785,000.00	(785,000.00)
42010:Investment Income	0.00	16,100.54	64,060.84	(47,960.30)
46230:Sanitation Services	0.00	0.00	2,082,681.85	(2,082,681.85)
46240:Sanitation Services - Other	0.00	0.00	1,635,931.00	(1,635,931.00)
46345:Miscellaneous Agency Collections	0.00	0.00	2,197,319.07	(2,197,319.07)
48030:Miscellaneous	0.00	972.10	4,480,836.34	(4,479,864.24)
49120:Long Term Debt Proceeds	0.00	0.00	1,038,273.06	(1,038,273.06)
49130:Principal and Interest On bonds	0.00	1,635,931.00	1,635,931.00	0.00
52080:Insurance	0.00	169.22	0.00	169.22
52170:Fuels & Lubricants	0.00	1,288.85	0.00	1,288.85
52360:Professional and Special Services - General	0.00	208,536.65	1,161.94	207,374.71
52380:Professional and Special Services - Technical, Engineering and Environmental	0.00	1,981,147.35	0.00	1,981,147.35
52450:Short-Term Rents and Leases - Buildings & Improvements	0.00	9,956.26	0.00	9,956.26
52800:Utilities	0.00	272,307.43	0.00	272,307.43
53190:Taxes and Assessments	0.00	110.00	0.00	110.00
Total	0.00	33,960,745.04	33,960,745.04	0.00

November 2023 WWTRF Operations Report

12-8-23

<u>Highlights</u>

- 138.582 Million Gallons (MG) of influent, 2.654 MG was sent to reclamation and 129.369 MG of effluent flow was sent to Auburn Ravine.

-The Outfall mag meter replacement was completed, calibrated and back in service on November 17th. Photo 1.

-We evaluated a new Hach turbidimeter on tertiary filter cell #5 for a couple months and found it works great and another trusted reference agreed. Photo 2. It replaced the original turbidimeter at this location. The 5 other filter cell turbidimeters are recommended for replacement in the next budget cycle.

-After taking DAF #1 and #2 out of service, we found that both pressure tanks are rapidly degrading. We patched the current holes and they can be used on a limited basis when needed. They need to be replaced with either new tanks or other technology. Photo 3&4.

Compliance

No compliance issues.

Major Eq	uipment Out o	of Service				
Equipment	Failure Date	Redundancy	Problem	Solution	Estimated Repair Cost	Estimated Return to Service Date
Influent pump 1B	4/5/2023	1 of 6	Motor winding problem.	Pump is at H&M getting repaired.	\$38,000	11/30/2023
DAF Pressure Tank 1 and 2.	11/27/2023	2 of 2	Tanks are rotted out. Repairs have been made. Recommend limited use only.	Replace with new or consider other technology.	?	?



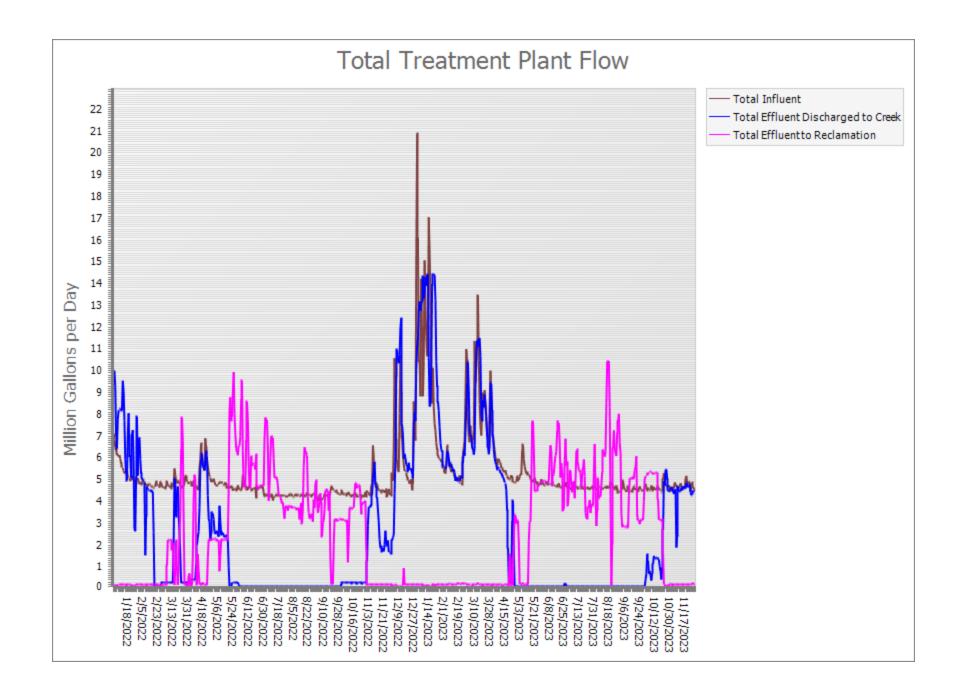
Photo 1: New Outfall Magmeter installation.

Photo 2: New Filter Cell #5 Effluent turbidimeter





Photo 3&4: DAF Pressure Tank #1 outside and inside.



LiSWA WWTRF Operation and Maintenance Budget FY 2023-2024 Report Month: October	Current Period Project to Date Project to Date Total Annual Budget										
Month: # 4	Actual	Budgeted	Variance	Actual	Budgeted	Variance	% Budget	Actual	Budgeted	Budget Remaining	% Budget
DIRECT PERSONNEL (Stantec O&M Labor)											
Reg Labor Direct (223.000)	251423.75	249255.25	2168.50	981315.75	997021.00	-15705.25	98%	981315.75	2991063.00	2009747.25	33%
Over Time (223.001)	2293.00	25000.00	-22707.00	6387.75	100000.00	-93612.25	6%	6387.75	50000.00	43612.25	13%
Standby Pay (223.006)	1988.00	11850.00	-9862.00	8736.00	47400.00	-38664.00	18%	8736.00	23700.00	14964.00	37%
R&R Labor(223.007)		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00	
DIRECT PERSONNEL (Stantec Labor)		0.00		0.00							
Groundwater Testing Labor (223.004)	1750.00	5500.00	-3750.00	3437.50	22000.00	-18562.50	16%	3437.50	11000.00	7562.50	31%
223.003 & 223.003.1 & 223.003.2 & 223.003.3 &	2750.00	50000.00	-47250.00	19274.00	200000.00	-180726.00	10%	19274.00	100000.00	80726.00	19%
Sub Total	260,204.75	341,605.25	-81,400.50	1,019,151.00	1,366,421.00	347,270.00	75%	1,019,151.00	3,175,763.00	2,156,612.00	
WWTRF DIRECT EXPENSES											
Operating Supplies	1991.85	1916.67	75.18	5397.40	7666.67	-2269.27	70%	5397.40	23000.00) 17602.60	23%
Maintenance Supplies	1801.12	2083.33	-282.21	7282.54	8333.33	-1050.79	87%	7282.54	25000.00) 17717.46	29%
Chemicals	34042.11	41666.67	-7624.56	213838.77	166666.67	47172.10	128%	213838.77	500000.00	286161.23	43%
Laboratory Supplies	234.91	666.67	-431.76	1046.44	2666.67	-1620.23	39%	1046.44	8000.00	6953.56	13%
Outside Lab Services	6462.00	6666.67	-204.67	28897.00	26666.67	2230.33	108%	28897.00	80000.00	51103.00	36%
Safety Supplies	1850.11	416.67	1433.44	4445.43	1666.67	2778.76	267%	4445.43	5000.00	554.57	89%
Repair Parts	9524.81	20833.33	-11308.52	74889.49	83333.33	-8443.84	90%	74889.49	250000.00) 175110.51	30%
Outside Services	65330.85	29166.67	36164.18	197308.93	116666.67	80642.26	169%	197308.93	350000.00	152691.07	56%
Equipment Rental-Outside	0.00	125.00	-125.00	0.00	500.00	-500.00	0%	0.00	1500.00	1500.00	0%
Telephone	550.00	416.67	133.33	1200.00	1666.67	-466.67	72%	1200.00	5000.00	3800.00	24%
Postage & Freight	13.20	83.33	-70.13	73.63	333.33	-259.70	22%	73.63	1000.00	926.37	7%
Vehicle Expense/Mileage	926.30	125.00	801.30	2081.32	500.00	1581.32	416%	2081.32	1500.00	-581.32	139%
Utilities/Plant Diesel Fuel	0.00	666.67	-666.67	0.00	2666.67	-2666.67	0%	0.00	8000.00		0%
Uniform Expense	1625.05	1500.00	125.05	7413.19	6000.00	1413.19	124%	7413.19	18000.00	10586.81	41%
Tools	80.41	250.00	-169.59	80.41	1000.00	-919.59	8%	80.41	3000.00	2919.59	3%
Taxes & Licenses	0.00	750.00	-750.00	0.00	3000.00	-3000.00	0%	0.00	9000.00	9000.00	0%
Training	0.00	500.00	-500.00	0.00	2000.00	-2000.00	0%	0.00	6000.00		0%
Computer Expense	1087.35	291.67	795.68	1087.35	1166.67	-79.32	93%	1087.35	3500.00		31%
Ground Water Monitoring	0.00	1500.00	-1500.00	4743.00	6000.00	-1257.00	79%	4743.00	18000.00		26%
Biosolids Disposal	65021.89	66666.67	-1644.78	271427.08	266666.67	4760.41	102%	271427.08	80000.00		34%
Membership & Certificates	0.00	416.67	-416.67	0.00	1666.67	-1666.67	0%	0.00	5000.00	5000.00	0%
UV Maintenance	52578.68	8333.33	44245.35	52578.68	33333.33	19245.35	158%	52578.68	10000.00		53%
R&R Outside Labor and Expenses (223.007)	114993.47	57083.33	57910.14	281661.31	228333.33	53327.98	123%	281661.31	685000.00		41%
Contingency	0.00	8333.33	-8333.33	1247.61	33333.33	-32085.72	4%	1247.61	100000.00		1%
Sub Total	358,114.11	250,458.33	107,655.78	1,156,699.58	1,001,833.33	154,866.25	115%	1,156,699.58	3,005,500.00		
WWTRF Total	\$ 618,318.86	\$ 592,063.58	26,255.28	\$ 2,175,850.58	\$ 2,368,254.33	-192,403.75	92 %	\$ 2,175,850.58	\$ 6,181,263.00	\$ 4,005,412.42	35%



Lincoln-SMD1 Wastewater Authority

Memorandum

To:Board of DirectorsFrom:George Barber, General ManagerDate:12/08/23 Regular Board MeetingAgenda Item #5SUBJECT:Auburn Ravine Ranch Farm Management Agreement

As discussed previously, there is some inconsistencies in the agreement with Auburn Ravine Ranch that do not clarify well when the agreement ends. I have communicated to the owner Bert Lefty that we would be presenting an amendment for Board consideration to clarify these.

Since Western Placer Waste Management Authority (WPWMA) is still planning for their upcoming use of this property we lease from them, it is appropriate to make this a year-to-year amendment. I have confirmed from WPWMA that the property is available for the 2024 year.

Staff Recommendation:

"Approval of the amendment to the agreement with Auburn Ravine Ranch and authorize the General Manager to execute."

FIRST AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT FOR FARM MANAGEMENT OF CITY-OPERATED EFFLUENT RECLAMATION LANDS

THIS FIRST AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT FOR FARM MANAGEMENT OF CITY-OPERATED EFFLUENT RECLAMATION LANDS ("First Amendment") dated as of the later of this Agreement being fully-executed ("Effective Date"), is entered into by and between Lincoln-SMD 1 Wastewater Authority ("LiSWA") and Auburn Ravine Ranch, Inc. ("Farmer"). LiSWA and Farmer may each be referred to herein as "Party" or collectively as "Parties."

RECITALS

A. The City of Lincoln ("City") and Farmer entered into that certain Agreement for Farm Management of City-Operated Effluent Reclamation Lands on October 22, 2013 ("Agreement") and set forth, among other things, terms regarding the use of recycled tertiary wastewater effluent ("Effluent") that is received and treated at what is now LiSWA's wastewater treatment and reclamation facility ("WWTRF").

B. Some of the Effluent is utilized by Farmer for ordinary farming operations to irrigate the land for crops and grazing, with Farmer paying for rental of the land and use of the Effluent, all of which are more particularly described in the Agreement and specifically Attachments B through E.

C. With the creation of LiSWA and the resulting transfer and assignment of real and personal property, including related contracts, from LiSWA member agencies, such as the City, to LiSWA, the Parties wish to undertake this First Amendment to confirm the Agreement exists and that LiSWA has assumed the role of the City as set forth in the Agreement.

D. In the Agreement, the second recital says that the Agreement terminates on November 1, 2023, however, various terms such as those at Sections 10, 11, and most specifically Section 16 do not set an expiration date. The Parties wish to confirm the term of the Agreement.

NOW THEREFORE, LiSWA and Farmer hereby agree as follows:

AGREEMENT FOR FIRST AMENDMENT

1. <u>Term of the Agreement:</u> As set forth at Section 16 of the Agreement, the Agreement shall be in full force and effect until terminated.

2. <u>Amendment to Section 17</u>: Section 17 of the Agreement is modified to reflect the following:

"Payment and notices under the terms of THIS AGREEMENT shall be made to:

Lincoln-SMD 1 Wastewater Authority 1245 Fiddyment Road ATTN: General Manager, George Barber Lincoln, CA 95648"

3. <u>Agreement in Full Force and Effect:</u> Except as set forth by this First Amendment, the Agreement remains in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have executed this First Amendment as of the Effective Date.

LINCOLN-SMD 1 WASTEWATER AUTHORITY

Approved:

Approved as to Form:

George Barber General Manager Date:_____

Wes Miliband General Counsel

Date:_____

Auburn Ravine Ranch, Inc.

By:_____

Bert Lefty

Manager

AGREEMENT FOR FARM MANAGEMENT OF CITY-OPERATED EFFLUENT RECLAMATION LANDS

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into on October <u>22</u>, 2013, by and between the City of Lincoln, located in Placer County, California (hereinafter referred to as "City"), and Land Reclamation Farmer Auburn Ravine Ranch, Inc., their heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assignees (hereinafter referred to as "Farmer"), under the following circumstances:

WHEREAS, the City and Farmer have entered into a prior, similar Agreement for Farm Management, dated May 9, 2008, which will terminate and be superseded by THIS AGREEMENT, on the effective date of THIS AGREEMENT; and

WHEREAS, the terms of THIS AGREEMENT shall commence on the effective date of THIS AGREEMENT and terminate on November 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the City proposes to recycle tertiary treated wastewater effluent (hereinafter referred to as "Effluent") from the City's treatment reclamation facility (WWTRF) by means of generally agronomic applications of the Effluent on portions of historically farmed parcel(s) of real property, owned and/or operated by the City and described in Attachments A through E, attached hereto and incorporated herein (hereinafter referred to as "Land"); and

WHEREAS, Farmer wishes to manage the ordinary farming operations required to irrigate said Land with said Effluent in return for beneficial use of the resulting crop and grazing lands, pursuant to the terms of THIS AGREEMENT. Farmer shall pay the City for rental of the Land and for the Effluent provided at rates described in Attachments B through E.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is mutually agreed by and between the City and Farmer as follows:

1. The City intends to deliver to said Land a minimum of five-(5) acre feet of Effluent per irrigable acre of Land over the period of time beginning approximately April 1 through October 31 of each year commencing in the spring of 2014 through 2023, unless said delivery is prevented by unforeseeable natural events or by order of a higher governmental authority. Said Effluent will be delivered to the irrigation facilities on said Land by facilities provided, operated, and maintained by the City. Farmer shall at its expense be responsible for the normal seasonal field preparation, seeding, fertilizing, and routine equipment maintenance. Farmer shall also at its expense repair all City facilities damaged as a result of its farming operations. The City may request Farmer to perform maintenance or repairs to City facilities that are in addition to normal seasonal items discussed in THIS AGREEMENT and will reimburse Farmer for said services as provided for by prior written authorization. The delivery of irrigation water specified above does not apply to the Grazing area described in Attachment D.

2. Farmer agrees to manage the farming operations in a manner consistent with the terms of THIS AGREEMENT and all applicable laws, regulations, and orders, and shall be entitled to retain any profits from the sale of crops raised or the grazing of animals on said Land.

3. Water quality of the Effluent provided by the City shall conform to the following:

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(a) All waste discharge quality standards set forth by the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board referenced in Order No. R5-2005-0040-01, NPDES No. CA 0085103, Master Reclamation Permit for City of Lincoln, Placer County, attached as Attachment F.

(b) The Effluent may show some color but will not have an offensive odor, as determined by the California Department of Public Health.

(c) The Effluent shall be better than or of such state as to comply with the California Department of Health Care Services Title 22, Wastewater Reclamation Criteria, Article 3, CCR section 60304 (excerpted as Attachment G). As described in said Article 3, the Effluent shall be suitable for uses particular to the reclamation area specified in Attachments B through E.

4. The City shall be responsible for complying with all monitoring and reporting programs that may be required for meeting water quality, or water reclamation and reuse limitations, if established and enforced by regulatory bodies. The City shall make available to Farmer all water quality-related monitoring data that may be taken, whether required to be reported by the regulatory bodies or not, in a timely manner. Farmer at its cost shall perform soil and plant tissue analyses and provide the results to the City as required by the permit.

5. Farmer and the City agree to meet the conditions with respect to application of the Effluent on the Land as directed in Attachments F through G, and both shall comply with the following:

(a) Discharge of Effluent off the Land, especially to surface waters, water drainage courses, or any point of public contact is prohibited. The City shall bear the costs of improving irrigation and recapture system to conform to the requirements of Attachments F through G. The City shall not require Farmer to apply Effluent in a manner that exceeds the capacity of the recapture system. Farmer shall irrigate in such a manner that the capacity of the recapture system is not exceeded and shall bear the costs of maintaining the recapture ditches. The City shall bear the costs to operate and maintain the recapture return pump(s).

(b) Public contact with the Effluent shall be precluded through such means as fences, signs, and other acceptable alternatives. Signs with appropriate wording of sufficient size shall be placed at areas of access and around the perimeter of all areas where Effluent is applied, to alert the public of the use of reclaimed water. The City shall bear the costs associated with installing appropriate fences and signage. Farmer shall be responsible for maintaining such fences and signage.

(c) Temporary, portable, or reusable irrigation system components, not including portable pumping required for normal operation of the irrigation supply or recapture system, shall be provided and maintained at the sole cost of Farmer. Permanent or non-reusable components in the fields, such as alfalfa valves and mechanical sprinkler systems, shall be provided by the City but once installed shall be routinely maintained by Farmer.

(d) Farmer shall provide normal ground preparation and planting which include such items as spraying existing vegetation, renovating pasture ground, pulling strip checks, reseeding and fertilizing, cleaning out blackberries, repairing existing interior fencing and gates, keeping access roads mowed, and spraying return system ditches to keep them weed free.

(e) Farmer, at its cost, agrees to commence with emergency repairs to failures of the irrigation or recapture facilities, not including items maintained by the City, within 24 hours of notice by the City. If the repairs are not attended to in a timely manner, the City may complete the repairs at Farmer's expense.

6. The City does hereby grant permission to Farmer and its duly authorized agents or representatives to enter upon the aforesaid Land in order to perform any necessary labor, inspection, or installation of facilities deemed necessary or desirable to carry out the intent of THIS AGREEMENT. Such entry shall be subject to 72-hour prior notification to the City by Farmer at the start and end of each growing season. The City understands that once access is granted, and the Land is dry enough for Farmer to prepare, a minimum of 20 days may be required by Farmer before Effluent is applied.

7. Farmer agrees to apply said Effluent flow, which may vary from approximately five-(5) to seven-(7) acre feet per acre, depending on ground conditions, and subject to WWTRF operations and weather, over the period of April 1 to October 31 ("Growing Season") of each year. Delivery of the Effluent shall be in accordance with a mutually agreed upon schedule. Farmer understands that it is the intent of the City to deliver Effluent on a continuous, uninterrupted basis for 24 hours to 72 hours at a time at approximately seasonal agronomic rates. Farmer understands that the amount of Effluent may vary from time to time because of weather conditions, operations of the WWTRF, and scheduling of Effluent deliveries to other reclamation areas. However, the City intends to first provide Farmer with Effluent necessary to maintain viability of the crops before it is used for other purposes or discharge. Farmer agrees to manage the irrigation, harvesting, grazing, and fertilizing cycles in order to maximize the agronomic uptake of the crops.

By April 30 of each year, Farmer shall provide the City with documentation of its 8. expenditures on seed, soil amendments, fertilizer, and ground preparation labor. These costs constitute "Sunk Costs." For expenditures on seed, soil amendments, fertilizer, and ground preparation labor that will benefit the crops for more than one year, Farmer will report the expenditures on an amortized basis. If, for any reason the City is required to apply Effluent to the Land in excess of agronomic rates, or is unable to deliver enough water to meet minimum crop requirements, and the crop is lost or damaged, the City shall compensate Farmer for the loss of Sunk Costs for that Growing Season plus twenty percent (20%) of Sunk Costs for that Growing Season (together, "Sunk Cost Payment"), not to exceed a total payment of \$150,000. If the City provides notice by July 1 of the prior Growing Season that it will apply Effluent to certain parcels of the Land in excess of the agronomic rates, or will be unable to deliver enough water to meet minimum crop requirements of certain parcels of the Land for the following Growing Season, the City shall not pay Farmer the Sunk Cost Payment for the affected parcels. If the City applies Effluent to the Land in excess of agronomic rates, or is unable to deliver enough water to meet minimum crop requirements, and the crop is lost or damaged, Farmer would not pay the annual rent to the City for the affected parcels.

9. The City is responsible for obtaining all necessary permissions and permits, providing all necessary notices as may be required by law for normal farming practices and other work authorized by the City, and the application of Effluent on said Land. The City is responsible for determining the existence and extents, and clearly delineating any areas that are off limits to, or protected from, normal farming operations or other work authorized by the City, due to

species protection or other state and/or federal regulation. Farmer shall not be responsible for any identification or delineations of such protected areas. Farmer is responsible for instructing its agents on avoiding work in City-identified, clearly delineated protected areas, and reasonable safety precautions required during Effluent irrigation operations and working in close proximity to City WWTRF and County WPWMA facilities.

10. Farmer acknowledges that the City is currently in the process of starting up new recycled water facilities, which may necessitate the modification of THIS AGREEMENT. If the City does acquire the additional farming reclamation parcels, and if the City decides to have the parcels managed in a manner that is similar to THIS AGREEMENT, it is understood that the City shall offer Farmer the first opportunity to enter into similar agreements to manage such additional parcels as they are acquired. Furthermore, if the total number of acres of the Land available for irrigation under THIS AGREEMENT falls below 80 acres, Farmer may terminate THIS AGREEMENT. It is understood THIS AGREEMENT will be reviewed on an annual basis and may be extended if the parties agree upon mutually agreeable amendments.

The City may terminate THIS AGREEMENT for any reason upon giving 20 days' 11. notice to Farmer. In the event such termination causes loss of a viable crop, the City shall pay Farmer the Sunk Cost Payment for that Growing Season. If the City provides Farmer notice by July 1 of the prior Growing Season that the City plans to terminate THIS AGREEMENT during the following Growing Season, the City shall not pay Farmer the Sunk Cost Payment for the following season. If Farmer has constructed improvements to the Land that are authorized by the City pursuant to Attachments B, C, D, and E, and the improvements are specifically identified by the City as being reimbursable by crediting documented expenses against future rent monies due, the City shall compensate Farmer for the remaining balance of monies due. Likewise, if there are any remaining documented, amortized annual Sunk Costs which have not been fully utilized, the City shall compensate Farmer for the remaining balance of monies due. If regulatory changes significantly impact the ability of Farmer to perform under the terms of THIS AGREEMENT it must notify the City of its desire to terminate THIS AGREEMENT for that cause within 60 days. If, for any other reason Farmer is not willing or unable to perform under THIS AGREEMENT, the City shall have the right to immediately terminate THIS AGREEMENT with no compensation to Farmer.

12. Farmer shall maintain public liability and property damage insurance acceptable to the City in the amount of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence, which shall also name the City and its agents as insureds on a primary basis

13. Neither the City nor any officer or employee thereof is responsible for any damage, liability, claim, loss, cost, or expense (including attorneys' fees and litigation costs) arising out of or by reason of any alleged violation or anything done or omitted to be done by Farmer under or in connection with Farmer's obligations pursuant to THIS AGREEMENT. It is understood and agreed that Farmer shall fully defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the City from all liability, claim, damage, loss, cost, or expense (including attorneys' fees and litigation costs) occurring by reason of any alleged violation by Farmer or anything done or omitted to be done by Farmer.

14. Neither Farmer nor any officer or employee thereof is responsible for any damage, liability, claim, loss, cost, or expense (including attorneys' fees and litigation costs) arising out

of or by reason of any alleged violation or anything done or omitted to be done by the City under or in connection with City's obligations pursuant to THIS AGREEMENT. It is understood and agreed that the City shall fully defend, indemnify, and hold harmless Farmer from all liability, claim, damage, loss, cost, or expense (including attorneys' fees and litigation costs) occurring by reason of any alleged violation by the City or anything done or omitted to be done by the City with regard to the City's obligations under THIS AGREEMENT. The City shall defend and hold harmless Farmer for any alleged injury or environmental degradation of the Land, surrounding land or groundwater resulting from the activities permitted under THIS AGREEMENT and carried out according to its terms, in accordance with all applicable laws, regulations, and orders.

15. The City shall be responsible for any possessory interest tax levied as a result of Farmer's interest under THIS AGREEMENT in accordance with California Revenue Code section 107.6.

16. THIS AGREEMENT shall be in full force and effect from the date hereof until terminated.

17. Rent, in yearly amounts as specified in Attachments B through E, shall be due and payable in two equal installments. The first installment is due by April 30, and the balance is due by November 30, for each and every year of THIS AGREEMENT, unless otherwise noted in Attachments B through E. Receipts and documentation of authorized repairs and/or permanent improvements, up to the amounts authorized in writing by the City, or its agents, may be presented in lieu of monies due for rent. Payment and notices under the terms of THIS AGREEMENT shall be made to:

City of Lincoln 600 Sixth Street Lincoln, CA 95648 ATTN: Development Services Director

18. In the event any action is brought by either party against the other party for the enforcement of any right or remedies in or under THIS AGREEMENT or for the breach of any covenant or condition of THIS AGREEMENT, then in that event the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover, and the other party agrees to pay, all fees and costs to be fixed by the court including, but not limited to, attorneys' fees.

"City" City of Lincoln

By: _ Mark Miller, Development Services Director

By: Jim Estep, City Manager

ATTEST:

Patricia Avila L

City Clerk

"Farmer" Auburn Ravine Ranch, Inc.

By: _(Bert Lefty, Manager

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)

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PLACER COUNTY

On this _____ day of October, 2013, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public for the State of California, with principal office in Placer County, duly commissioned and qualified, personally appeared Mark Miller, Development Services Director, City of Lincoln, whose name and title are subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged having executed the same on behalf of City of Lincoln, and is known to me to be such entitled person.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Official Seal the day and year first above written.

Notary Public for the State of California with principal office in Placer County

My Commission Expires:

Attachments to this Agreement are as follows:

Attachment A - RECLAMATION AREAS MAP

Attachment B - RECLAMATION AREA 1 – WARM SPRINGS, DESCRIPTION AND SPECIAL CONDITIONS

Attachment C - RECLAMATION AREA 2 – ANTONIO MOUNTAIN RANCH, DESCRIPTION AND SPECIAL CONDITIONS

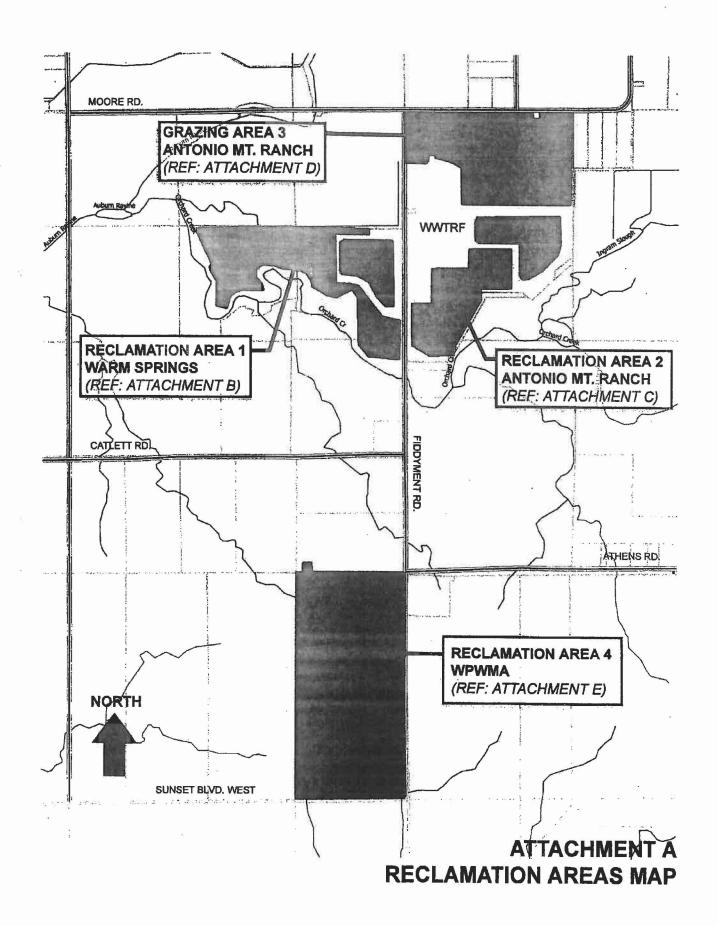
Attachment D - GRAZING AREA 3 – ANTONIO MOUNTAIN RANCH, DESCRIPTION AND SPECIAL CONDITIONS

Attachment E - RECLAMATION AREA 4 – WPWMA, DESCRIPTION AND SPECIAL CONDITIONS

Attachment F – MASTER RECLAMATION PERMIT FOR CITY OF LINCOLN

Attachment G – EXCERPT FROM CCR 60304 (TITLE 22), RECYCLED WATER USE STANDARDS

Attachment A - RECLAMATION AREAS MAP



ATTACHMENT B - RECLAMATION AREA 1 – WARM SPRINGS DESCRIPTION AND SPECIAL CONDITIONS

Description:

Approximately 115 useable acres, flood irrigated, with run-off containment berms. Portion of APN 021-282-003-000,

Portion of APN 021-282-005-000,

Portion of APN 021-140-032-000.

This Area is located on the WWTRF site, west of Fiddyment Road, westerly and southerly of the WWTRF Maturation Ponds.

Allowed Usage:

Irrigated fodder crops suitable for application of disinfected secondary-23 recycled water. Harvested crops may be stockpiled north of the Maturation Ponds with the approval of WWTRF staff.

Rent:

\$17,250/year, (\$150/acre/year). Includes recycled water delivered on a mutually agreed schedule at approximately 2,000 gallons per minute and use of land under terms of this Agreement. The first rent installment is due 30 days after execution of this agreement.

Utilities:

Electric power is required to operate the run-off recapture system pumps and recycled water control facilities.

The City shall pay all electric utilities.

No potable water is available in this area.

Repair and Maintenance:

Farmer agrees to perform routine maintenance and repair of the fencing, run-off containment ditches, and field valves. Farmer shall work with WWTRF staff operating and monitoring the recapture system pumping facilities. The City will maintain and repair the recapture pumping facilities.

Special Restrictions:

No grazing cattle permitted.

This area is subject to periodic flooding from Orchard Creek – no claims against the City for Farmer's losses due to such flooding will be permitted.

Farmer understands there may be minor disruptions in the operation of the main recapture pumping facility as a self-cleaning mechanical screening system is installed by the City.

Farmer is advised field run-off from Reclamation Area 2 is directed to the recapture system on this area.

Authorized permanent improvements/repairs:

No permanent repairs are currently authorized in this Area. Farmer must secure prior written authorization from the City for any work that may result in requests for reimbursement.

ATTACHMENT C - RECLAMATION AREA 2 – ANTONIO MOUNTAIN RANCH DESCRIPTION AND SPECIAL CONDITIONS

Description:

Approximately 70 useable acres, flood irrigated, with run-off containment berms. Portion of APN 021-283-002-000, Portion of APN 021-282-003-000.

This Area is located on the WWTRF site, east of Fiddyment Road, westerly of the tertiary storage pond and southerly of the main WWTRF. The southerly field in this area serves as a peak run-off attenuation (storm) basin on Ingram Slough and may flood during high flow conditions, no claims against the City for Farmer's losses due to such flooding will be permitted.

Allowed Usage:

Irrigated fodder crops suitable for application of disinfected secondary-23 recycled water. Harvested crops may be stockpiled in and around the existing barn on the westerly side of this area, with the approval of WWTRF staff.

Rent:

\$5,600/year, (\$80/acre/year). Includes recycled water delivered at approximately 2,000 gallons per minute and use of land under terms of this Agreement. The first rent installment is due 30 days after execution of this agreement.

Utilities:

Electric power is required to operate the run-off recapture system pumps and recycled water control facilities. The recapture system pumps for the Area are located in Reclamation Area 1. Field run-off is directed by gravity flow across Fiddyment Road. The City shall pay all electric utilities. No potable water is available in this area.

Repair and Maintenance:

Farmer agrees at its cost to perform routine maintenance and repair of the fencing, runoff containment ditches, and field valves. Farmer shall work with WWTRF staff operating and monitoring the recapture system pumping facilities. The City will maintain and repair the recapture pumping facilities and storm basin facilities.

Special Restrictions:

No grazing cattle permitted.

Field run-off is directed by gravity flow across Fiddyment Road application of recycled water may need to be coordinated with applications in Area 1 so as to not over tax the recapture pumping system.

A building materials recycling facility is located north of this area and uses an access road for truck traffic. Farmer may not encumber the use of said access road during facility operating hours. The City shall coordinate with the recycling facility to install culvert pipes and restore the northerly field tail-water collection ditch system that was disrupted by the construction of the access road. The recycling facility is installing a landscape buffer that may extend approximately ten (10) feet past the fence line. Farmer shall limit herbicide use so as to not damage the landscape buffer.

Authorized permanent improvements/repairs:

Farmer agrees to perform the following initial maintenance work to prepare the area for flood irrigation and reclamation use in this Area on a time and expense basis, not to exceed \$30,000, without written authorization, which shall be deducted from rent payments due upon submittal of receipt documentation and approval of the work by City WWTRF operations staff.

The work needed is summarized as follows:

Land leveling of the irrigated fields and repair of construction related grade changes to laser precision to achieve efficient operation for the production of flood irrigated fodder crops with minimal ponding.

Application of soil amendments in the excavated bottom of the storm basin as top soil was removed during excavation of the storm basin.

ATTACHMENT D - GRAZING AREA 3 – ANTONIO MOUNTAIN RANCH, DESCRIPTION AND SPECIAL CONDITIONS

Description:

Approximately 137 useable acres. Portion of APN 021-282-003-000. This Area is located on the WWTRF site, east of Fiddyment Road, northerly of the main WWTRF. The City intends to establish an environmental vernal pool preserve in this Area that will rely on grazing cattle as a vital part of vernal pool maintenance. No irrigation water is to be applied in this area.

Allowed Usage:

Cattle grazing in concert with the City's vernal pool maintenance plan for this area.

Rent:

\$3,836/year, \$320/mo, (\$28/acre/year). The first rent installment is due 30 days after execution of this agreement. (On December 13, 2011 the City Manager executed an agreement for the purchase and assignment of a conservation easement by and between the City of Lincoln and Lincoln Land Holdings, LLC (AKA Lewis Operating Group. Grazing Area 3 must remain on a month to month lease until Lincoln Land Holdings takes ownership of the property, or the lease expiration date of November 1, 2023. Also see attached Resolution NO. 2012-026)

Utilities:

No electric utility usage is anticipated in this area. The City shall provide potable water for cattle watering.

Repair and Maintenance:

Farmer agrees at its cost to perform routine maintenance and repair of the fencing and gates and provide seasonal perimeter firebreaks.

Special Restrictions:

Farmer agrees to provide grazing cattle in accordance with the vernal pool management plan for this area to be developed by the City.

Authorized permanent improvements/repairs:

No permanent repairs are currently authorized in this Area. Farmer must secure prior written authorization from the City for any work that may result in requests for reimbursement.

ATTACHMENT E - RECLAMATION AREA 4 – WPWMA DESCRIPTION AND SPECIAL CONDITIONS

Description:

Approximately 180 useable acres, spray irrigated with two large pivot arm sprinkler assemblies, with run-off containment berms and ponds.

Portion of APN 021-281-001-000,

APN 017-061-065-000,

APN 017-061-066-000,

APN 017-061-067-000.

This Area is located on land leased from Western Placer Waste Management Authority (WPWMA), west of Fiddyment Road, south of the main WWTRF.

Allowed Usage:

Irrigated crops suitable for application of disinfected tertiary recycled water. Harvested crops may be stockpiled in and around the existing open sided barn on the northerly side of this area. Grazing cattle are permitted. Irrigated or dry land farming on 320 ac infill areas

Rent:

\$27,000/year, (\$150/acre/year). Includes recycled water delivered at approximately 1,000 gallons per minute and use of land and open-sided barn under terms of this Agreement. The first rent installment is due 30 days after execution of this agreement.

Utilities:

Electric power is required to operate the pivot arm sprinklers and recycled water control facilities. The recapture system relies on a City provided portable engine driven pump.

The City shall pay all electric utilities and recapture system pump fuel.

No potable water is available in this area. Although, Farmer may at its cost arrange with the farm house tenant for cattle water from the farm house well.

Repair and Maintenance:

Farmer agrees at its cost to perform routine maintenance and repair of the fencing and gates and provide seasonal perimeter firebreaks. Farmer agrees to perform routine maintenance of the pivot arm system including cleaning of the basket screens as needed. Replacement parts and major repairs to the pivot arms shall be paid by the City unless said repairs are for premature failure of the equipment due to Farmer's negligence.

Special Restrictions:

The land is leased from the WPWMA to the City of Lincoln and Farmer shall abide by all restrictions of that lease. In addition to facilities to be utilized by Farmer, the City has rented out use of the enclosed barn and farm house to others. Farmer shall not encumber the use of the enclosed barn or farm house as a result of farming operations. WPWMA may from time to time require access to groundwater monitoring wells located on the westerly side of this Area.

Authorized permanent improvements/repairs:

Farmer may provide temporary irrigation infrastructure to allow farming up to 320 acres of irrigated or dry land farming on infill areas between the pivot systems. Farmer may remove such temporary infrastructure at the termination of the lease. No crops are allowed on wetland areas outside of the containment berms. These improvements will not be deducted from the rent payments. Farmer must secure written authorization for other improvements.

Attachment F – MASTER RECLAMATION PERMIT FOR CITY OF LINCOLN



Lincoln-SMD1 Wastewater Authority

Memorandum

To:Board of DirectorsFrom:George Barber, General ManagerDate:12/08/23 Regular Board MeetingAgenda Item #6SUBJECT:LiSWA Bylaws and Policies and Procedures Manual

We continue to appreciate the review and input provided in the development of the Policy and Procedure Manual.

In order to give ample time for the Treasurer, Municipal Financial Advisor and Bond Counsel to review, as well as giving everyone an opportunity to see it in its near final form, we are providing one more opportunity for review. The opportunity for final approval will be provided to the Board at the January Board meeting.



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Section 1 Introduction

LiSWA was established in November 2022 pursuant to the Joint Exercise of Powers Act, Government Code section 6500 *et seq.*, and the JPA Agreement. The purpose of LiSWA is to own, acquire, expand, manage, maintain, operate, and control facilities for the collection and transmission, treatment, reclamation, recycling, reuse, sale and disposal of water, wastewater, and recycled water.

Section 2 Definitions

Definitions are as set forth in Chapter 1, Section 1.5.

Section 3 Offices

3.1 <u>Principal Office</u>.

The principal office of the JPA shall be located at: 1245 Fiddyment Road in the City of Lincoln, California 95648.

3.2 Additional Offices.

The JPA may also have offices at such other places both within and outside the State, as the Board may from time to time determine or the business of the JPA may require.

Section 4 Board

4.1 Purpose of the Board.

The Board is the legislative body of LiSWA. It operates under the provisions of the Joint Exercise of Powers Act (California Government Code Section 6500, *et seq.*) and all other applicable statutes and laws. It is the power and duty of the Board to manage and conduct the business and affairs of LiSWA pursuant to the JPA Agreement between the Member Agencies.

4.2 <u>Power and Duties of the Board</u>.

The Board shall have the responsibility for the general management of the affairs, property and business of the JPA and may, from time to time, adopt and modify these Bylaws and other rules and regulations for that purpose and for the conduct of its meetings as it may deem proper. The Board may exercise and shall be vested with all powers of the JPA insofar as not inconsistent with law, the JPA Agreement or these Bylaws.

Specifically, the Board shall:

a) Produce and maintain written policies that ensure high quality of governance and clear roles in decision-making between the Board and LiSWA staff and consultants.

b) Hire and discharge, the General Manager, General Counsel, and Board Secretary

and regularly monitor the performance of the General Manager, General Counsel, and Board Secretary.

c) Serve as ambassadors for LiSWA and develop relationships with cooperating entities.

d) Establish policies to guide the General Manager, General Counsel, and staff and consultants.

e) Adopt strategic directives for LiSWA and review them annually.

f) Adopt the LiSWA budget to meet the financial policies and achieve the strategic directives.

g) Direct the preparation and issuance of bonds for capital projects as needed.

h) Adopt an organizational structure and employee policies to support the mission, vision, core values, and goals as identified by the Board.

i) Hold regular meetings to conduct the business of LiSWA in an open and transparent manner consistent with the applicable open meeting laws, including the Ralph M. Brown Act.

j) Authorize the General Manager to perform actions, make decisions, and direct staff and consultants as needed to accomplish the goals, policies, and directives established by the Board.

k) Take such other actions as may be required by law and as needed in furtherance of the purposes of the JPA Agreement including without limitation the powers set forth in the JPA Agreement at Section 4 (Powers of Authority).

4.3 Directors.

Directors of the Board are appointed to serve as Directors of the JPA pursuant to the JPA Agreement at Section 7 (Governance).

4.4 Compensation.

Compensation shall be as set forth below in Chapter 10.

4.5 <u>Regular Meetings</u>.

Regular meetings of the JPA shall be held on the second Friday of each month, currently set for 10:00 a.m. Regular meetings may be cancelled by the JPA's General Manager upon consultation with the Board or if not feasible then with at least the Board Chair. Regular meetings will be held at the JPA's principle office located at 600 6th Street, Lincoln, CA 95648.

At all Meetings of the Board, including Regular Meetings and Special Meetings, the Board and its members should act in an ethical, businesslike, productive, and lawful manner. Board members will strive to avoid even the appearance of impropriety to ensure and maintain public confidence.

Board members shall review each Board Agenda packet and all accompanying materials, reports, and recommendations prior to the Regular or Special Meeting to allow for focused and efficient discussion.

The Board and its members shall at all times perform their respective duties in accordance with applicable laws, LiSWA's Board Member Code of Conduct, and other such codes and policies as the Board may adopt.

4.6 Special, Emergency, and Adjourned Meetings.

Special, emergency, and adjourned meetings of the Board may be called and held in the manner authorized in the Ralph M. Brown Act, Government Code Section 54950, *et seq.*, as may be amended from time to time.

Unless otherwise specified in the notice of a special or adjourned meeting, all such meetings shall be held in the same location as regular meetings. 4.7 <u>Agenda Planning.</u>

The Board shall conduct its meeting pursuant to agendas established and provided to the public in accordance with applicable laws.

Members of the Board, the General Manager, and her or his designees may place matter on Board agendas in accordance with policy and procedures adopted by the Board.

Items may be placed on the agenda on either the consent calendar or the discussion/action item calendar. An item placed on the consent calendar may be moved from the consent calendar to the discussion/action item calendar at the request of any Board member during a Board meeting prior to the vote to approve the consent calendar.

The General Manager shall regularly prepare, conferring with the Board Chair as needed or as appropriate, and issue an agenda for each meeting of the Board. 4.8 Organization.

Each meeting of the Board shall be presided over by the Chair or, in her or his absence, by the Vice Chair. The Secretary, or in her or his absence, any person designated by the JPA's General Manager, shall act as secretary of the meeting.

4.9 Method of Voting.

Except as otherwise required by law, votes on all questions shall be viva voce, orally.

4.10 Ralph M. Brown Act.

All meetings of the Board, including without limitation, regular, adjourned regular, and special meetings, shall be called, noticed, held and conducted in accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act, commencing with Section 54950 of the Government Code.

4.11 Closed Session.

All information received by a Director, or alternate Director attending in the Director's

absence, in a closed session related to the information presented to the JPA Board in closed session shall be confidential. However, a Director may disclose information obtained in a closed session as set forth Chapter 2, Section 4.

4.12 Board – General Manager Relationship.

The Board of Directors governs LiSWA and is the policy-making body of LiSWA. The Board operates under the provisions of the law governing JPAs and all other applicable statutes and laws as well as the JPA Agreement.

a. The Board of Directors shall have the responsibilities as provided for in the JPA Agreement and in this Policies and Procedures Manual adopted by the Board.

b. The General Manager is responsible for the following in implementing Board policy, administration of LiSWA business functions, and proposing new or modified Board policy, subject to periodic review by the Board:

i. Manage all day-to-day operations and business affairs of LiSWA.

ii. Achieve the goals and results established by the Board within the appropriate and ethical standards of business conduct set by the Board.

iii. Regularly prepare and submit to the Board for approval budgets, rules and regulations to achieve the Board's financial policies and strategic directives.

iv. Attend meetings of the Board and report on the general affairs of LiSWA and keep the Board advised on the needs of LiSWA.

v. Prepare and submit to the Board for approval, as needed, organizational designs for LiSWA; manage the employees and consultants of LiSWA, including the hiring and terminating of any and all officers and employees except the General Counsel and Board Secretary; and maintain an Employee Handbook meeting the requirements of law if such a handbook is prepared.

vi. Direct labor negotiations based on Board direction and develop labor contract proposals for Board consideration.

vii. Enforce a code of ethics applicable to all employees, providing clear guidelines for ethical standards of conduct.

viii. Administer LiSWA procurement of goods and services, and treatment of salvage or discard items in accordance with Board policy.

ix. Ensure the smooth and continuous operation of LiSWA in the event of any planned or unplanned absences by the General Manager.

x. Interact with the public and other entities pursuant to policies adopted by

the Board. The General Manager shall assure, in cooperation and consultation with the Board, that LiSWA is appropriately represented in the community.

xi. Perform other responsibilities as they are delegated by the Board, either by resolution or by contract of employment.

4.13 Board – General Counsel Relationship.

The General Counsel provides legal counsel to LiSWA and to the Board. The General Counsel reports to both the Board and to the General Counsel.

The Board of Directors is ultimately responsible for the hiring and terminating of the General Counsel. As a general practice, the Board and General Manager shall participate jointly in the hiring and terminating of the General Counsel.

The General Manager will assist as directed by the Board in preparing performance evaluations, recommendations for compensation as applicable, and review of job duties for the General Counsel.

With respect to the Board, the General Counsel shall:

a. Give her or his legal advice or opinion whenever he or she deems necessary or when required by the Board.

- b. Inform the Board of material legal issues impacting LiSWA or the Board.
- c. Provide legal counsel to the Board with regard to conflict of interest issues.
- d. Provide legal counsel to the Board with regard to other ethical matters.
- e. Assist the Board in complying with applicable statutes and regulations.

f. When necessary, act independently of the General Manager with regard to the foregoing matters.

The General Counsel shall not provide legal counsel to individual Board members except in their role as Board members.

4.14 Board – Secretary Relationship.

The Board Secretary helps the Board fulfill its various responsibilities. The Board Secretary serves under the direction and control of the Board.

The Board of Directors is ultimately responsible for the hiring and terminating of the Board Secretary. As a general practice, the Board and General Manager shall participate jointly in the hiring and terminating of the Board Secretary, or in the case of the General Manager serving also as the Board Secretary then the Board shall determine the hiring and terminating of the Board Secretary.

The General Manager will assist as directed by the Board in preparing performance evaluations, recommendations for compensation, and review of job duties for the Board Secretary.

The General Manager will recommend to the Board the compensation of the Board Secretary, if applicable, but the Board may, at its discretion, provide to the General Manager its decision regarding the Board Secretary's compensation.

The Board Secretary shall:

- a. Maintain all Board records.
- b. Receive and disseminate Board communications.
- c. Act as recording secretary at all Board meetings.

d. Coordinate with LiSWA management and staff and consultants in responding to Board member requests related to LiSWA affairs.

e. Handle all other matters that are properly delegated to the Board Secretary by the Board.

f. Notwithstanding these activities, the Board Secretary is not empowered to instruct or direct LiSWA management, staff, or consultants.

4.15 Delegation of Board Authority to General Manager.

The Board retains all authority to act on behalf of LiSWA. The Board may, except where prohibited by law, delegate responsibility to the General Manager to establish policies, make decisions, take actions, establish practices, and develop activities to further the policies and goals established by the board.

In carrying out her or his role, the General Manager shall at all times serve LiSWA only pursuant to the powers of the General Manager as delegated by the Board of Directors and to the extent authorized by these Policies and Procedures or the General Manager's employment contract.

The Board may change its delegations to the General Manager at any time, subject to applicable law, policies adopted by the Board and any contract with the General Manager, thereby expanding or limiting the authority of the General Manager.

Section 5 Officers

5.1 Appointment and Term of Officers.

The Chair, the Vice Chair, Treasurer, and Secretary of the JPA shall be appointed and serve as set forth in Article 4 of the JPA Agreement.

Section 6 Resignations

6.1 Voluntary Resignation; Notice of Effectiveness.

Any member of the Board or officer of the JPA may, subject to contrary provision in any applicable contract, resign at any time by giving written notice to the Board or to the Chair or to the Secretary of the JPA. Any such resignation shall take effect at the time specified therein or, if the time be not specified, upon receipt thereof; and unless otherwise specified therein, acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.

6.2 Involuntary Resignation; Request.

The Board, in the exercise of its discretion, may request the resignation of any officer elected or appointed pursuant to Section 4 of these Bylaws. Pursuant to such request, but subject to contrary provisions in any applicable laws, regulations, or contracts, such officer shall resign by giving written notice to the Board. Any such resignation shall take effect at the time specified in such request.

Section 7 Vacancies Among Officers

If the office of any officer elected or appointed pursuant to Section 4 of these Bylaws becomes vacant at any time by reason of death, resignation, retirement, disqualification, removal from office, or otherwise, such vacancy may be filled at any time by the Board or as otherwise provided in the JPA Agreement or applicable law.

Section 8 Committees

The Board, by a majority vote, may form standing or temporary committees as set forth in the JPA Agreement, Section 7.7 (Committees) for advice to the Board on matters of interest to the Board. Such vote shall designate the method for appointing committee members, the scope of the duties and responsibility of the committee, whether the committee is a standing or ad hoc committee, and such other matters as the Board may deem appropriate.

Section 9 Amendments

These Bylaws may be modified, amended or repealed, or new Bylaws may be adopted, by the affirmative vote of the Board at any regular or special meeting of the Board.



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CHAPTER 1

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Section 1 General Provisions

1.1 <u>Introduction</u>.

The Lincoln-SMD 1 Wastewater Authority ("LiSWA") is governed pursuant to the Joint Exercise of Powers Act (California Government Code Section 6500, et seq.), a Joint Powers Agreement effective on November 30, 2022 ("JPA Agreement") between the City of Lincoln and the County of Placer ("Member Agencies"), and such other applicable laws, regulations and customs and practices common to a California joint powers authority. The JPA Agreement is fully incorporated by reference and attached hereto as **Exhibit A.** The Board of Directors of the Authority ("Board") is composed of Directors representing each Member Agency. The purpose of LiSWA is to own, acquire, expand, manage, maintain, operate, and control facilities for the collection and transmission, treatment, reclamation, recycling, reuse, sale and disposal of water, wastewater, and recycled water.

LiSWA is authorized to exercise the powers common to the Member Agencies, powers otherwise permitted under the Joint Exercise of Powers Act, and powers necessary to accomplish the purposes of the JPA Agreement. LiSWA is further authorized to do all acts necessary, convenient and appropriate for the exercise of its powers as further described in the JPA Agreement.

1.2 <u>Purpose</u>.

The purpose of this Policies and Procedures Manual is to set forth the major policies and procedures by which the functions of LiSWA are carried out. Other procedures may be set forth in specific laws or regulations, the JPA Agreement, resolutions, or motions of LiSWA's Board of Directors, whether or not included as part of this Policies and Procedures Manual.

1.3 <u>Severability</u>.

It is hereby declared to be the intention of the Board that the sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, and phrases of this Policies and Procedures Manual are severable; and if any phrase, clause, sentence, paragraph, or section of this Policies and Procedures Manual shall be declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid by the valid judgment or decree of a court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality or invalidity shall not affect any remaining phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, and section of this Policies and Procedures Manual. Likewise, if a court of competent jurisdiction determines, for any reason, that any provision or requirement of this Policies and Procedures Manual is invalid or unenforceable as applied to a specific person or entity, such determination shall not affect the applicability of such provision or requirement to other persons or entities.

1.4 <u>Amendments</u>.

This Policies and Procedures Manual and any of its provisions may be amended, supplemented, or repealed from time to time. Such amendment, supplement, or repeal shall be accomplished by adoption of an regulation or resolution of the Board at a duly constituted meeting. The regulation or resolution will provide for the insertion, amendment, or removal of language in the Policies and Procedures Manual. Upon the effective date of the regulation or resolution, the revised or new sections shall be inserted in this Policies and Procedures Manual and those for which they are substituted shall

be removed.

1.5 <u>Definitions</u>.

Except as otherwise provided in specific chapters or sections of this Policies and Procedures Manual, the following words shall have the following meanings:

Board or Board of Directors means the Board of Directors of LiSWA.

<u>General Manager</u> means: (a) the General Manager or interim General Manager of LiSWA as described in the JPA Agreement; or (b) a management level employee or consultant designated by the General Manager to perform certain functions on behalf of LiSWA.

JPA Agreement means that certain Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement effective November 30, 2022, between the City of Lincoln and the County of Placer under which LiSWA was established.

<u>LiSWA, Authority</u> or <u>JPA</u> means the Lincoln-SMD 1 Wastewater Authority, which was established by the JPA Agreement.

Member Agencies means the City of Lincoln ("City") and Placer County ("County").

State means the State of California.

1.6 <u>Posting or Publication of Regulations</u>.

Regulations adopted by the Board shall be published or posted in accordance with Section 36933 of the California Government Code or as otherwise required by law.

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Section 1 General Provisions.

This Code of Conduct is intended to describe the manner in which Board members shall treat one another, LiSWA and member agency staff, and others they come into contact within their representative capacity on behalf of LiSWA. The primary purpose of this Code of Conduct is to entrench with LiSWA's policies a working respect by and between Board members.

The proper operation of LiSWA requires that decisions and policy be made using the proper channels, that the powers held by Board members are not used for personal gain, and that Board members remain objective and responsive to the needs of the public they serve. Accordingly, it is the policy of LiSWA that Board members and LiSWA staff will maintain the highest standard of personal honesty and fairness in carrying out their duties. This Code of Conduct sets forth the basic ethical standards to be followed by the Board of Directors of LiSWA. The objectives of this Code of Conduct are to: (1) provide guidance to Board members in dealing with ethical issues; (2) heighten awareness of ethics and values as critical elements in Board members' conduct; and (3) improve ethical decision-making and values-based management.

Section 2 Rules of Procedure.

In order to maintain a professional and efficiently controlled environment during all Regular and Special Meetings of the Board, the Board shall generally adhere to Rosenberg's Rules of Order.

Section 3 Proper Use and Safeguarding of Authority, Property and Resources.

Except as otherwise authorized, Board members shall not use or permit the use of Authorityowned vehicles, equipment, telephones, materials or property for personal benefit or profit. Board members shall not ask or require LiSWA staff or its consultants to perform services for the personal benefit or profit of a board member or other staff or consultants. Each Board member must protect and properly use any LiSWA asset within her or his control, including information recorded on paper or in electronic form. Board members shall safeguard LiSWA property, equipment, moneys and assets against unauthorized use or removal, as well as from loss due to criminal act or breach of trust.

Section 4 Use of Confidential Information.

A Director is not authorized, without approval of the Board, to disclose information that qualifies as confidential information under applicable provisions of law to a person not authorized to receive it, that: (1) has been received for, or during, a closed session meeting of the Board; (2) is protected from disclosure under the attorney-client or other evidentiary privilege; or (3) is not required to be disclosed under the California Public Records Act and/or the federal Freedom of Information Act. It is within the Board's discretion to allow a Director who serves a member agency of LiSWA to disclose information obtained in a closed session that has a direct financial or liability implication for that member agency, to the following individuals: (1) legal counsel of that member agency for purposes of obtaining advice on whether the matter has direct financial or liability implications for that member agency; or (2) other members of

that member agency that are present in a closed session of that member agency.

This section does not prohibit any of the following: (1) making a confidential inquiry or complaint to a district attorney or grand jury concerning a perceived violation of law, including disclosing facts to a district attorney or grand jury that are necessary to establish the alleged illegality of an action taken by the Authority; (2) expressing an opinion concerning the propriety or legality of actions taken by the Authority in closed session, including disclosure of the nature and extent of the allegedly illegal action; or (3) disclosing information acquired by being present in a closed session that is not confidential information. Prior to disclosing confidential information pursuant to (1) or (2), above, however, a Board member must first bring the matter to the attention of either the Chair of the Board or the full Board, to provide the Board with an opportunity to cure an alleged violation.

A Director who willfully and knowingly discloses for pecuniary gain confidential information received by him or her in the course of her or his official duties may be guilty of a misdemeanor under Government Code Section 1098.

Section 5 Conflicts of Interest.

All Board members are subject to LiSWA's Conflict of Interest Code, as set forth in Chapter 9 of this Policies and Procedures Manual.

Section 6 Soliciting Political Contributions.

Board members are prohibited from soliciting political funds for any reason whatsoever or contributions at LiSWA facilities, or from LiSWA staff. A Board member will not accept, solicit or direct a political contribution from: (a) LiSWA employees, officers, consultants or contractors; or (b) vendors or consultants who have a material financial interest in a contract or other matter while that contract or other matter is pending before the Authority. A Director will not use LiSWA's logo or any other indicia of the Authority's identity, or facsimile thereof, in any solicitation for political contributions contrary to state or federal law.

Section 7 Incompatible Offices.

A Board member shall not serve as an appointed or elected official for another public entity, the duties of which may require action contradictory or inconsistent with Board action. Serving on the governing body of any member agency of LiSWA is not incompatible with serving on the Board of Directors for LiSWA.

Section 8 Improper Activities and the Reporting of Such Activities.

The Board has the primary responsibility for: (1) ensuring compliance with the Authority's Policies and Procedures Manual and ensuring that Board members and staff do not engage in

improper activities; (2) investigating allegations of improper activities; and (3) taking appropriate corrective and disciplinary actions. Board members are encouraged to fulfill their obligations to the public and to LiSWA by disclosing to the Board to the extent not expressly prohibited by law, improper activities within their knowledge. Individual Board members will not interfere with the Chair's responsibilities in identifying, investigating and correcting improper activities.

A Board member shall not directly or indirectly use or attempt to use the authority or influence of her or his position for the purpose of intimidating, threatening, coercing, commanding, or influencing any other person for the purpose of preventing such person from acting in good faith to report or otherwise bring to the attention of the Board any information that, if true, would constitute: a work-related violation by a Board member or LiSWA employee or consultant of any law or regulation; gross waste of LiSWA funds; gross abuse of authority; a specified and substantial danger to public health or safety due to an act or omission of a LiSWA official or employee; use of an Authority office or position or of Authority resources for personal gain; or a conflict of interest of an Authority Board member or employee.

A Board member will not use or threaten to use any official authority or influence to effect any action as a reprisal against an Authority Board member or employee who reports or otherwise brings to the attention of the Board any information regarding the subjects described in this section.

Section 9 Compliance with the Brown Act.

The members of the Board of Directors, and persons appointed but who have not yet assumed office as members of the Board, will fully comply with the provisions of the Brown Act.

CHAPTER 3

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Section 1 Reserving and Investment Policy

The Reserving and Investment Policy of LiSWA is reviewed by staff on a regular basis and when appropriate submitted to the Board of Directors for potential amendment(s) and approval. Unless otherwise amended

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Section 1 Debt Policy Background and Purposes

LiSWA was established under the provisions of the Joint Exercise of Powers Act, being Chapter 5 of Division 7 of Title1 of the California Government Code ("Government Code"), commencing with Section 6500 (the "Act") and a Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement entered into by and between the City of Lincoln ("City") and the County of Placer ("County" and collectively with the City, the "Member Agencies" and each a "Member Agency") for the establishment of the LiSWA (the "Agreement") and setting forth the powers of LiSWA, which include, but are not limited to:

Own, acquire, expand, manage, maintain, operate, and control facilities for the collection and transmission (as defined in this Agreement), treatment, reclamation, recycling, reuse, sale, and disposal of water, wastewater, and recycled water, and any related byproducts.

This LiSWA Debt Management Policy ("Debt Policy") is intended to comply with the requirements of Section 8855 of the Government Code and to set forth various matters for LiSWA financing transactions.

Section 2 Findings

2.1 <u>Debt Management</u>

Unless otherwise directed or determined by the Board, this Debt Policy shall govern all debt issued by, or undertaken by, LiSWA.

LiSWA hereby recognizes that a fiscally prudent Debt Policy is required in order to:

Maintain LiSWA's sound financial position.

Ensure LiSWA has the flexibility to respond to changes in future service priorities, revenue levels, and operating expenses and to respond to the needs of its members.

Protect LiSWA's credit-worthiness and exposure to financial and legal liabilities.

Ensure that all LiSWA debt is structured in order to protect the interests of LiSWA members and ratepayers.

Help ensure that LiSWA's debt is consistent with LiSWA's planning goals and objectives, capital improvement programs or budget, as applicable.

2.2 <u>Disclosure</u>

This Debt Policy is intended to establish and implement the practices and procedures necessary to ensure compliance with applicable federal and State of California ("State") securities laws. The disclosure policies and procedures set forth in this Debt Policy are also to: reduce exposure of LiSWA and its officials and employees to liability for damages and enforcement actions based on misstatements and omissions in LiSWA's disclosure documents; to reduce borrowing costs by promoting good investor relations; and to protect members and ratepayers of LiSWA and other third parties from misstatements or omissions in LiSWA's disclosure documents.

Section 3 Purposes of For Which Debt May be Issued

LiSWA will consider debt financing for the construction, acquisition, rehabilitation, replacement, or expansion of physical assets, including real and personal property, equipment, furnishings and improvements, and any other uses, projects and/or capital programs authorized by the Agreement, for the following purposes:

- a. To finance public facilities, services or programs, including but not limited to short- term borrowing needs, budget shortfalls and access to capital for public improvements and infrastructure.
- b. To assist certain private individuals and entities in financing project(s) or program(s) that produces public benefits related to LiSWA purposes or powers.
- c. To refinance LiSWA outstanding debt in order to (i) produce debt service savings, (ii) to restructure debt for other benefits such as refinancing a bullet payment or a spike in debt service, or (iii) to provide or produce other public benefits
- d. To finance a project or program, consistent with LiSWA's purposes which are intended to provide public benefits to any local community, including its residents, business, or institutions, including but not limited to promoting economic development.

Section 4 Authorized Types of Debt

The following types of debt are permitted under this Policy:

- a. Obligations issued by governmental agencies (SRF, WIFIA, IBank);
- b. Conduit revenue bonds or notes;
- c. Bond or grant anticipation notes;
- d. Municipal leases, installment sale or purchase agreements, certificates of participation;
- e. Revenue bonds; and
- f. Any other type of debt permitted under the Agreement and authorized by law.

For purposes of this section, the term "bonds" may include notes, warrants, leases, installment purchase agreements, certificates of participation, financing agreements, loan agreements, or any other evidence of an obligation to pay or repay money.

LiSWA may from time to time find that other types of debt would be beneficial to further its purposes and may approve such debt without an amendment of this Policy.

This Debt Policy includes all debt that must ultimately be approved by the LiSWA Board. This Debt Policy is not intended to address inter-fund borrowing; interagency borrowing; or authorized investment activities of the LiSWA Treasurer ("Treasurer") including, but not limited to, reverse repurchase agreements and securities lending.

Section 5 Relationship to Capital Improvements Program or Budget, Planning Goals And Objectives

LiSWA's goal is to undertake programs that advance its purpose, and this Debt Policy provides flexibility for LiSWA to obtain financing to provide wastewater treatment and reclamation services including

financing programs to further its purpose.

LiSWA is committed to long-term financial planning, maintain appropriate reserve levels and employing prudent practices in governance, financial management and budget administration. LiSWA intends to issue debt for the purposes stated in this Debt Policy and to implement policy decisions in the annual operations budget.

It is LiSWA's goal to utilize conservative financing methods and techniques to obtain the highest practical credit ratings and the lowest practical borrowing costs.

LiSWA will comply with state and federal law as it pertains to the maximum term of debt, and any applicable procedures for setting and imposing any related assessments, rates and charges.

Section 6 Debt Administration

Debt management will be the responsibility of General Manager (GM) and the Treasurer as follows:

6.1 <u>Reviewing and recommending debt Financing – GM & Treasurer</u>

The GM and Treasurer will be responsible for reviewing, analyzing and recommending new issue debt financing when appropriate and consistent with these policies. The Board will review and approve proposed debt financing proposals.

6.2 Leading the process of issuance – GM, Treasurer and LiSWA Counsel

Officials will work together to select municipal advisors, underwriters, bond counsel, disclosure counsel and other members of a financing team. Officials will review all bond documentation including official statements and will review them for material errors or omissions before such documents can be deemed final.

6.3 Internal control procedures regarding use of debt proceeds; fiscal agent – Treasurer

Whenever reasonably possible, proceeds of debt used to finance capital improvements will be held by a third-party banking institution (trustee, fiscal agent or similar) and LiSWA will submit written requisitions for such proceeds. The Treasurer will execute each such requisition. The Treasurer will be responsible for selecting the banking institution associated with bond issues. To the extent recommended by bond counsel, the rating agencies or any bond insurer, the Treasurer will serve as LiSWA's fiscal agent on its debt transactions.

6.4 <u>Continuing Annual Disclosure – Treasurer, Auditor, and GM</u>

The Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") requires that underwriters obtain promises in writing from municipal debt issuers to provide specified financial and operating information on an annual basis

for all public offerings. This promise for continuing annual disclosure is set forth in a separate agreement between the issuer and the underwriter who purchases LiSWA's bonds. The GM will oversee the preparation of annual disclosure reports as required under federal law and regulations, and consistent with the continuing disclosure agreement pertaining to that financing. Such reports will be reviewed in the manner of initial official statements. Under continuing disclosure requirements LiSWA is obligated to provide ongoing disclosure of material events, including those that are specifically enumerated in the agreement for its public offerings.

6.5 <u>Arbitrage administration-Treasurer</u>

The Treasurer is charged with responsibility for establishing and maintaining, either directly or through contract, a system of record keeping and reporting to meet the arbitrage rebate compliance requirements of the federal tax code. This effort includes tracking investment earnings on bond proceeds, calculating rebate payments in compliance with tax law, and remitting any rebate earnings to the federal government in a timely manner in order to preserve the tax- exempt status of LiSWA's outstanding debt issues.

6.6 <u>Covenant Administration-GM</u>

The GM will establish and maintain a system for monitoring the various covenants and commitments established within the documentation of a bond issue and ensuring that staff or consultants take such actions as required to comply with the various covenants of a financing.

6.7 <u>Small Lease-purchases</u>

LiSWA, or any sub-unit of LiSWA, shall not enter into any obligation or indebtedness, of more than \$50,000 without the express approval of the Board.

6.8 Investing Bond Proceeds-Treasurer

The Treasurer is responsible for investing all bond proceeds held by LiSWA and directing the investment of all funds held by the relevant banking institution under the terms of the applicable securities issuance document(s). Such investments shall also be consistent with applicable State and federal law.

Section 7 Debt Structure Considerations

7.1 <u>Rapidity of Debt Repayment</u>

Borrowing by LiSWA should be of a duration that does not exceed the economic life of the improvement that it finances. The debt repayment term should be not be longer than the improvement's projected useful life in an effort to improve LiSWA's credit profile through early retirement of debt, and to recapture debt capacity for future use. LiSWA may choose to structure debt repayment on any particular transaction so as to consolidate or restructure existing obligations or to achieve other financial planning goals.

7.2 Capitalized Interest

LiSWA may include within its borrowings additional funds to pay interest on the obligation during an initial period to secure an improved financing structure for strategic management of cash flow.

7.3 Short-term Financing

LiSWA will consider issuing Bond Anticipation Notes or Grant Anticipation Notes or other short-term instruments, as appropriate, to the extent such securities expedite the meeting of LiSWA's goals.

7.4 Variable Rate Obligations and Interest Rate Swaps

LiSWA will not consider variable rate debt or interest rate swaps. The general preference of LiSWA is to issue fixed-rate debt.

Section 8 Method of Sale

There are generally three ways bonds can be sold, through a competitive, negotiated sale or a direct placement. The following outlines the basis by which LiSWA will determine the appropriate method of sale for a given financing.

8.1 <u>Competitive Process</u>

With a competitive sale, any interested underwriter is invited to submit a proposal to purchase an issue of bonds. The bonds are awarded to the underwriter{s) presenting the best bid according to stipulated criteria set forth in the notice of sale. LiSWA, as a matter of policy, will seek to issue its debt obligations through a competitive process unless it is determined in consultation with the Treasurer that such a sale method will not produce the best results for LiSWA. This type of sale process is also significantly more likely to give LiSWA higher market exposure which creates an awareness of LiSWA credit that increases market interest in future debt issues of LiSWA.

8.2 <u>Negotiated Sale</u>

Under this method of sale, securities are sold through an exclusive arrangement between the issuer and an underwriter or underwriting syndicate. At the end of successful negotiations, the issue is purchased by the underwriters for sale to their purchasers. Negotiated underwriting may be considered if it fits one or more of the following criteria: extremely small issue size; complex financing structure or nature of the project being financed (i.e., variable rate financing, new derivatives, and certain revenues issues, etc.); compromised credit quality of LiSWA or the issue; other issue or market factors which lead the GM and Treasurer to conclude that a competitive sale would not be effective. When determined appropriate by the GM and Treasurer, and approved by the Board, LiSWA may elect to sell its debt obligations through a negotiated sale.

8.3 Direct Placement

When determined appropriate, usually in the case of a very small issue, and/or short financing term, LiSWA may elect to sell its debt obligations through a direct placement or a limited public offering. Selection of a placement agent will be made pursuant to selection procedures developed by the GM and Treasurer. Any direct placements should be handled through the distribution of a term sheet to multiple lenders. The selection of a lender should be made in consultation between the GM, Treasurer, Municipal Advisor and Placement Agent, based upon the best terms provided by the respective lenders.

Section 9 Refunding of LiSWA Indebtedness

The LiSWA GM will monitor LiSWA's existing indebtedness and will initiate the refunding of such obligations if it would generate a reasonable level of savings. The following guidelines will be used in determining whether a refunding would be appropriate.

9.1 <u>Debt Service Savings - Advance Refunding</u>

LiSWA may issue advance refunding bonds (as defined by federal tax law) when advantageous, legally permissible, financially prudent, and net present value savings, expressed as a percentage of the par amount of the refunded bonds, equal or exceed 5.00%. The LiSWA Board may approve a lower savings threshold to the extent that such a threshold is appropriate given the specific conditions of the proposed refunding. Under current federal law, advance refundings of tax-exempt securities result in federally taxable refunding securities.

9.2 <u>Debt Service Savings - Current Refunding</u>

LiSWA may issue current refunding bonds (as defined by federal tax law) when advantageous, legally permissible, and financially prudent, and net present value savings equal or exceed 3% of the outstanding amount of refunded bonds.

Section 10 Interpretation, Amendment

This Debt Policy is intended to be interpreted in a manner consistent with LiSWA's existing policies and program guidelines and shall be subject to any contrary provisions thereof. The Board may, by resolution, waive any provision of this Policy, with respect to a particular debt issue.

The Board reserves the power to amend this Debt Policy in the future, by Resolution, as it may determine, from time to time.

Section 11 Disclosure Policies

11.1 Disclosure Coordinator

The Treasurer shall be the disclosure coordinator of LiSWA (for purposes of this Debt Policy, the "Disclosure Coordinator"). It is the policy of LiSWA that the Disclosure Coordinator will regularly consult with the GM and LiSWA Counsel with respect to the disclosure matters described in this Policy.

11.2 Outside Professionals

It is LiSWA's policy to establish continuing working relationships with professional advisors with expertise in the area of public finance and federal securities laws applicable to the issuance of securities by LiSWA. Subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission's ("SEC") Independent Registered Municipal Advisor Rule ("IRMA"), LiSWA may hold a contract with one or more independent registered municipal advisor firms.

11.3 <u>Review and Approval of Official Statements</u>

The Disclosure Coordinator shall review any Official Statement prepared in connection with any debt issuance by LiSWA in order to ensure there are no misstatements or omissions of material information in any sections that contain descriptions of information prepared by, or on behalf of, LiSWA.

In connection with its review of any such Official Statement, the Disclosure Coordinator shall consult with third parties, including outside professionals assisting LiSWA, and all members of LiSWA staff, to the extent that the Disclosure Coordinator concludes that they should be consulted so that each such Official Statement will include all "material" information (as defined for purposes of federal securities law).

In connection with its review of the Official Statement, the Disclosure Coordinator shall also consult with representatives of the Member Agencies to the extent necessary.

As part of the review process, and prior to submitting any Official Statements to the Board for approval, the Disclosure Coordinator shall submit all Official Statements to the GM and LiSWA Counsel for their review.

The GM shall review the Official Statement and shall take primary responsibility for those sections of the Official Statement describing the operations of LiSWA.

LiSWA Counsel shall review the Official Statement and shall draft for the Official Statement descriptions of (i) any material current, pending or threatened litigation, (ii) any material settlements or court orders and (iii) any other legal issues that are material information for purposes of the Official Statement.

The Treasurer shall review the Official Statement to identify any material difference in presentation of financial information from LiSWA's financial statements and ensure there are no misstatements or omissions of material information in any sections that contain descriptions of information prepared by the Treasurer (or the Treasurer's staff) or of relevance to the finances of LiSWA. In addition, the Treasurer shall determine whether LiSWA's then-available Financial Statements are appropriate to be included in the Official Statement and whether to seek the consent of LiSWA's outside auditor to including the Financial Statements in the Official Statement.

The GM is responsible for ensuring that the key LiSWA staff and consultants participate in preparation of the Official Statement. After receiving feedback from the GM, the Treasurer and LiSWA Counsel, the Disclosure Coordinator shall submit an Official Statement to the Board for approval.

The Board shall undertake such review as deemed necessary by the Board, following consultation with the Disclosure Coordinator, to fulfill the Board's responsibilities under applicable federal and state securities laws. In this regard, the Disclosure Coordinator shall consult with LiSWA's disclosure counsel to the extent the Disclosure Coordinator considers appropriate.

The Disclosure Coordinator shall retain a record of the actions taken to prepare, check and approve each Official Statement.

11.4 <u>Continuing Disclosure Filings</u>

Under the continuing disclosure undertakings that LiSWA has entered into in connection with its debt offerings, LiSWA is required each year to file annual reports with the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board's Electronic Municipal Market Access ("EMMA") system in accordance with such undertakings. Such annual reports are required to include certain updated financial and operating information, and LiSWA's audited financial statements.

If LiSWA does not have audited financial statements available, the Treasurer shall submit LiSWA's unaudited financial statements in either draft or final form whichever is available to meet the disclosure deadline. In the event draft or unaudited financial statements are submitted, the Treasurer shall submit final audited financial statements as soon as they are available.

LiSWA is also required under its continuing disclosure undertakings to file notices of certain events with EMMA.

The Disclosure Coordinator is responsible for establishing a system (which may involve the retention or one or more consultants) by which:

- i. LiSWA will make the annual filings required by its continuing disclosure undertakings on a complete and timely basis, and
- ii. LiSWA will file notices of enumerated events on a timely basis.

In connection with preparation of annual reports and event filings, the Disclosure Coordinator shall consult with third parties, including outside professionals assisting LiSWA, and all members of LiSWA staff or consultants, to the extent that the Disclosure Coordinator concludes they should be consulted so the annual report and event filings will include all "material" information (as defined for purposes of federal securities law).

As part of the review process, the Disclosure Coordinator shall submit all annual reports and event filings to the GM, the Treasurer and LiSWA Counsel for approval, and shall also consult with representatives of the Member Agencies to the extent appropriate.

The Disclosure Coordinator shall retain a record of the actions taken to prepare, check and approve each continuing disclosure reports and notices.

11.5 <u>Rating Agency Presentations</u>

The Disclosure Coordinator and/or GM along with the financing team assigned to a particular project shall manage the process of preparing rating agency presentations for a financing in the same manner that he or she does for Official Statements, except that approval by the Board shall not be required.

11.6 <u>Continuing Disclosure Filings</u>

Whenever LiSWA makes statements or releases information relating to its finances to the public that reasonably expected to reach investors and the trading markets, LiSWA is obligated to ensure that such statements and information are complete, true, and accurate in all material respects. LiSWA, in consultation with Bond Counsel and Municipal Advisor, will consider posting any such information to EMMA.

LiSWA shall include a disclaimer on LiSWA website:

"No information on the LiSWA's website is intended to be the basis of or should be relied upon in making an investment decision. The information on this website is not posted for the purpose of reaching the investing public, including bondholders, rating analysts, investment advisors, or any other members of the investment community. Because each security issues by the LiSWA or its related entities may involve different sources of payment and security, you should refer for additional information to the official statement and continuing disclosure filings for the particular security, which can be found on the Municipal Security Rulemaking Board's Electronic Municipal Market Access website: <u>https://emma.msrb.org/</u>."

11.7 <u>Training</u>

The Disclosure Coordinator shall ensure that the members of LiSWA staff or consultants involved in the initial or continuing disclosure process and the Board of Directors are properly trained to understand and perform their responsibilities. The General Manager is responsible for ensuring that key LiSWA staff or consultants participate in the training.

The Disclosure Coordinator shall arrange for disclosure training sessions conducted by LiSWA's disclosure counsel. Such training sessions shall include education on these Disclosure Procedures, LiSWA's disclosure obligations under applicable federal and state securities laws and the disclosure responsibilities and potential liabilities of members of LiSWA staff and members of the Board of Directors. Such training sessions may be conducted using a recorded presentation or written communication.

11.8 Updates to Disclosure Procedures

The Disclosure Coordinator shall review the Disclosure's Procedures annually and proposed updates to the Disclosure Procedures to the Program Manager, the GM, the Treasurer and LiSWA Counsel as

needed to address changes, including but not limited to changes in LiSWA's debt management program, financial reporting processes, or organizational structure. In addition, at any time all officers and employees of LiSWA are invited and encouraged to make recommendations for changes to these Disclosure Procedures so that they foster better compliance with applicable law, result in better information to investors, or makes the procedures required by these Disclosure Procedures more efficient. Following receipt of any such recommendation, the Disclosure Coordinator shall consult with third parties, including outside professionals assisting LiSWA and members of LiSWA staff, where appropriate, and shall determine whether such recommendation should be submitted as a proposal to Board of Directors.

11.9 Documenting Compliance

The Disclosure Coordinator is responsible for establishing a system (which may involve the retention or one or more consultants) by which compliance with these Disclosure Procedures is documented.

11.10 Waiver of Procedures

The Disclosure Coordinator may, with the approval of the GM, the Treasurer, LiSWA Counsel and the Program Manager, depart from this Disclosure Policy when he or she is in good faith determines that such departure is in the best interests of LiSWA and is consistent with the duties of LiSWA under Federal and state securities laws.

11.11 Internal Use Only

These Disclosure Procedures are intended for the internal use of LiSWA only and are not intended to establish any duties in favor of or rights of any person other than LiSWA.

CHAPTER 5

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Section 1 Purpose of Policy

This Disclosure Policy is intended to ensure that LiSWA is in compliance with all applicable federal and state securities laws. Although not required by law, the SEC encourages municipal issuers to adopt such a policy to help avoid disclosure problems. The JPA's Board of Directors (Board) shall approve this policy. LiSWA's General Manager shall serve as Disclosure Coordinator for LiSWA and is responsible for ensuring adherence to this policy.

Section 2 Review and Approval of Official Statements

The Disclosure Coordinator shall review any Official Statement prepared in connection with any debt issuance by LiSWA in order to ensure there are no misstatements or omissions of material information in any sections that contain descriptions of information prepared by LiSWA.

In connection with its review of the Official Statement, the Disclosure Coordinator shall consult with any relevant parties to the extent that the Disclosure Coordinator concludes they should be consulted so that the Official Statement will include all "material" information (as defined for purposes of federal securities law).

As part of the review process, the Disclosure Coordinator shall submit all Official Statements to the Board for approval. The cover letter used by the Disclosure Coordinator to submit the Official Statements shall be in substantially the form of approved by legal counsel.

The approval of an Official Statement by the Board shall be agendized as a new business matter and shall not be approved as a consent item. The Board shall undertake such review as deemed necessary by the Board, following consultation with the Disclosure Coordinator, to fulfill the Board's responsibilities under applicable federal and state securities laws. In this regard, the Disclosure Coordinator shall consult with LiSWA's disclosure counsel to the extent the Disclosure Coordinator considers appropriate.

Section 3 Continuing Disclosure Filings

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- (B) LiSWA will file notices of enumerated events on a timely basis.
- (C)

Section 4 Public Statements Regarding Financial Information

Whenever LiSWA makes statements or releases information relating to its finances to the public that are reasonably expected to reach investors and the trading markets, LiSWA is obligated to ensure that such statements and information are complete, true, and accurate in all material respects.

Section 5 Training

The Disclosure Coordinator shall ensure that those involved in the initial or continuing disclosure process and the Board are properly trained to understand and perform their responsibilities.

The Disclosure Coordinator shall arrange for disclosure training sessions conducted by LiSWA's disclosure counsel. Such training sessions shall include education on these Disclosure Procedures, LiSWA's disclosure obligations under applicable federal and state securities laws and the disclosure responsibilities and potential liabilities of members of LiSWA's General Manager and members of the Board. Such training sessions may be conducted using a recorded presentation.

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Section 1 Introduction

1.1 <u>Purpose and Title</u>.

(A) LiSWA deems it necessary to adopt a regulation to set forth the policies and procedures of the JPA for procurement, award and administration of contracts. This Chapter may be referred to as the "JPA's Contract Policies and Procedures Regulation".

(B) The policies and procedures in this Chapter are advisory, not mandatory, and any deviation shall not render any contract of LiSWA void or voidable. Any deviation from the policies and procedures in this Chapter shall be authorized by the General Manager.

Section 2 Basic Requirements and Exceptions

2.1 <u>Definitions.</u>

For the purposes of this Chapter, the following words shall have the following meanings

<u>Emergency</u> means a sudden, unexpected occurrence that poses a clear and imminent danger, where a contract is necessary to prevent or mitigate the loss or impairment of life, health, property, or protection of JPA property or essential public services.

Invitation for Bid (IFB) means a procurement process pursuant to which LiSWA procures goods or services on a low bid basis.

Micro-Purchase means a purchase of supplies and materials and the amount is less than \$10,000.00.

<u>Request for Information</u> or <u>RFI</u> means a formal or informal process to request information and/or ideas from the market.

<u>Request for Proposals</u> or <u>RFP</u> means a procurement process whereby LiSWA seeks proposals and enters into a contract for goods, services, construction or related activities (which may or may not be proceeded by an RFQ or Request for Information). Contracts may be procured on a low bid, best value or method that LiSWA deems to be in the best interest of LiSWA.

<u>Request for Qualifications</u> or <u>RFQ</u> means a procurement process in which LiSWA obtains professional and other services on a qualifications basis that does not consider or considers as only one element, the cost of the services to be provided.

<u>Small Contracts</u> means any contract or other procurement involving expenditures equal to or less than \$200,000.00. Small Contracts are separate and distinct from a Micro-Purchase and can be used for procurements of less than \$10,000.00.

Working Day means any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or holiday for LiSWA.

2.2 Fair and Open Competition Requirement.

The underlying premise of this Chapter is to foster fair and open competition and to obtain needed goods and services on a timely basis and in a cost-effective manner. LiSWA should follow sound business and public policy principles in the procurement of goods and services so that these actions are performed efficiently and in a manner that serves the best interest of LiSWA and the public.

2.3 <u>Use of Non-Competitive Procedures.</u>

Procurement of goods and services without competition is authorized under limited conditions. Procurement of contracts or purchase or equipment and supplies may be made by non-competitive negotiation under the following circumstances:

(A) In case of an Emergency, the Board (acting through the General Manager) may use a non-competitive procedure, as set forth in <u>Section 2.4</u>;

(B) Where LiSWA has advertised the contract as required by this Chapter and has undertaken reasonable efforts to solicit potential contractors and has obtained only one bid or proposal or has otherwise determined that competition is inadequate;

(C) When the goods or services are to be provided by a government or other public entity, or for professional services that ordinarily as a matter of law are not required to have an RFP or similar process;

(D) Where LiSWA wishes to renew or extend the term of the contract and compensation provided pursuant to an existing contract under substantially the same terms and conditions, or the amendment of an existing contract that does not materially alter the terms and conditions of the contract (other than the term of the contract and compensation), provided that such renewal, extension or amendment is authorized or permitted by the contract;

(E) Where, after reasonable investigation, LiSWA determines that there is only a single source of supply available, or only one contractor is qualified to provide the service or product;

(F) Where the equipment to be purchased is of a technical nature and the procurement thereof without advertising is necessary in order to assure standardization of equipment and interchangeability of parts;

(G) Where the item to be purchased is a capital maintenance item that is available only from the original manufacturer or supplier;

(H) Where the contract is for employment services;

(I) Where the contract is one for which only per diem and travel expenses are paid and there is no payment for services rendered;

materials and the amount is less than \$10,000.00;

(K) Where the purchase is pursuant to a joint purchase and similar arrangement whereby another pubic agency procures goods or services on a bulk basis pursuant to procurement policies and procedures applicable to that agency;

(L) A "sole source" award, provided that in advance of the award, the General Manager certifies in writing the sole source status of the provider: (i) based on (the need to utilize a specified material, provider or methodology in the best interest of LiSWA; (ii) which could only be supplied, constructed, or installed by only one contractor or supplier; or (iii) as otherwise allowed by any law; and

(M) When the Board otherwise determines that award of a contract pursuant to competitive procedures identified in this Chapter is either infeasible or would not produce an advantage, which determination shall be supported by written justification.

2.4 <u>Emergency Procedures.</u>

In the case of an Emergency, the Board delegates to the General Manager, the authority to enter into a contract, task orders, change orders and amendments to contracts. The General Manager shall report any action taken pursuant to such authority to the Board at its next meeting, with reasons justifying why the Emergency would not permit a delay resulting from a competitive solicitation for bids specified in this Chapter and justifying why the action taken was necessary to respond to the Emergency.

2.5 <u>Non-Discrimination in Procurement.</u>

Contracts entered into by LiSWA shall contain clauses as required by applicable law prohibiting discrimination against any person or group of persons including on account of race, color, religion, creed, national origin, ancestry, physical handicap, medical condition, age, marital status, sex or sexual orientation in the performance of the contract.

2.6 <u>Types of Procurement Methods.</u>

(A) <u>Micro-Purchases</u>. This method, requiring only one quote, may be used for any purchase of supplies or services that does not exceed \$10,000.00.

(B) <u>Small Contracts (up to \$200,000.00)</u>. This informal procurement method involves obtaining price or rate quotations from an adequate number of qualified sources (generally three unless only two qualified vendors exist) in order to determine a fair and reasonable price and make a contract award. Small Contracts are for items accounted for in the budget previously approved by the Board of Directors or for items qualifying as an Emergency as set forth above in Section 2.4 of this Chapter. Small Contracts shall be reported to the Board periodically on a quarterly basis unless otherwise requested by the Board of Directors or deemed appropriate by the General Manager to provide more frequent updates.

(C) <u>Sealed Bids</u>. A formal competitive sealed bid process involves procurement through an IFB process. Generally, formal bid documents are prepared and advertised and an award is made to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. This method and related procedures are described in more

detail in Section 4.

(D) <u>Competitive Proposals</u>. This competitively negotiated procurement method may be used for purchase of non-professional services (through a Request for Proposal process) or professional services (generally through a Request for Qualifications process). This method and related procedures are described in more detail in <u>Section 5</u>.

(E) <u>Alternative Methods of Procurement</u>. Alternative methods of procurement for progressive or fixed- price design-build or design-build operate/maintain contracts, construction management at-risk contracts and public-private partnerships may be utilized by LiSWA in cases where it may be efficient or advantageous for LiSWA to enter into contracts that include responsibility for design and/or construction services as well as other services that are not appropriate for sealed bidding and or which LiSWA does not wish to use a competitive negotiation procurement process. This method of procurement and related procedures are described in more detail in <u>Section 6</u>.

(F) <u>Non-Competitive Purchases</u>. These are used for the purchase of approved sole source procurements, Emergency procurements, intergovernmental agreements, and other procurements as may be approved by the General Manager or Board of Directors in light of special circumstances that justify this method of procurement as further described and discussed in <u>Section 2.3.</u>

2.7 <u>Purchasing Agent Designation.</u>

The ultimate authority to enter into contracts, execute amendments and change orders to existing contracts and make purchases on behalf of LiSWA rests with the Board. The Board delegates this authority to the General Manager as set forth in this Chapter. The General Manager or her or his designee shall act as purchasing agent for and on behalf of LiSWA consistent with this Chapter. The General Manager or her or his designee is hereby authorized to approve and execute the following contracts, amendments, and change orders on behalf of LiSWA:

(A) Amendments and change orders to Board-approved progressive or fixed price designbuild contracts; provided such amendments and change orders do not exceed the Board-approved contingency for the contract and/or the General Manager's authority.

(B) All other procurements where the contract, amendment or change order (a) is less than \$100,000.00 and is not otherwise consistent with LiSWA's approved and current capital expenditure plan / budget; or (b) is less than \$250,000.00 and is consistent with LiSWA's approved and current capital expenditure plan / budget.

Except as delegated above or by a separate action of the Board, all other contracts, amendments, and change orders shall be approved by the Board.

2.8 JPA to Issue Requests for Proposals, Requests for Qualifications and Invitations for Bids; Exception for RFP, RFQ or IFB Consistent with Approved Budget.

Requests for Proposals (RFP), Requests for Qualification (RFQ) and Invitations for Bids (IFB) shall be prepared by or under the supervision of JPA's General Manager and shall not be released until approved and authorized for release by the Board. The foregoing notwithstanding, an Invitation for Bid, Request

for Proposals or Request for Qualifications may be released without Board approval if the total cost of the goods or services to be procured is estimated by the General Manager or the consultant preparing the IFB, RFQ or RFP to be: (1) less than \$500,000.00; or (2) does not exceed the amount allocated in LiSWA's approved and current capital expenditure plan / budget.

2.9 Existing Contracts.

The policies and procedures contained in this Chapter shall not apply to any contract awarded by LiSWA prior to the adoption of this Chapter. Any amendments to this Chapter are only applicable to contracts entered into after approval of the amendments.

Section 3 Approval and Award of Contracts

3.1 <u>Requirement of Board Approval.</u>

Except as otherwise provided in this Chapter, all procurements and contracts are subject to approval by the Board.

3.2 <u>Small Contracts and Micro-Purchases.</u>

Award of Small Contracts and Micro-Purchases may be authorized by the General Manager without Board approval, subject to the following:

(A) Where the consideration to be rendered under a contract is other than monetary, such consideration must be valued on a monetary basis for the purpose of determining whether approval of the Board is required.

(B) If it is determined by the General Manager that more than one contract may be awarded to a single contractor in any one fiscal year for work normally considered one undertaking and the total of the contracts exceeds \$200,000.00, all contracts awarded following such determination, regardless of amount, shall be submitted to the Board for approval; provided that purchases during a single fiscal year shall not be split into multiple contracts for the purpose of evading the Board approval requirement.

3.3 <u>Rejection of Bids and Proposals.</u>

Procedures for review of and rejection or award of contracts procured by IFB, RFP or RFQ are determined by the procurement document for the specific procurement and take precedence over the general provisions below. Where the procurement document does not set forth such procedures, or for procurements other than by IFB, RFP or RFQ, the following rules apply:

(A) The General Manager may reject all bids and proposals received that are determined to be non- responsive or not within the competitive range, including proposals made by proposers who refuse to execute any required representations and certifications.

(B) General Manager may reject for any one or more of the following reasons:

(1) All otherwise acceptable bids or proposals received exceed the funds budgeted and available for the contract or, in the case of contracts for which payment will be made to LiSWA, offer inadequate compensation;

(2) The bids or proposals were not independently arrived at in open competition, were collusive or were submitted in bad faith; or

(3) Rejection is otherwise determined to be in LiSWA's best interest.

(C) If, after rejecting bids, the General Manager determines and declares that, in her or his opinion, the services, supplies, equipment, or materials may be purchased at a lower price in the open market, LiSWA may proceed to purchase these services, supplies, equipment or materials in the open market without further observance of the provisions regarding contracts, bids or advertisements.

3.4 <u>Contracts Containing Extraordinary Provisions.</u>

Except with respect to Small Contracts and Micro-Purchases, notwithstanding any provision of this Chapter to the contrary, any contract containing any of the following provisions shall be subject to approval of the Board:

(A) Any provision whereby LiSWA agrees to indemnify or hold harmless any party to the contract or any third person against or on account of, any claim, liability, or matter arising out of, or connected with, the contract, other than reciprocal indemnification clauses whereby the indemnifying party indemnifies the other party against liability incurred by such party arising from the acts or failure to act of the indemnifying party.

(B) Any provision whereby LiSWA agrees to assume responsibility for matters beyond its control (e.g., in rental contracts, a promise to assume full responsibility for damage to rented equipment, regardless of the cause of the damage).

(C) Any provision creating a contingent liability against LiSWA (e.g., vendors' boilerplate rental contracts frequently contain clauses obligating the user of rented equipment to assume responsibility for contingent liabilities).

(D) Contracts of a hazardous nature or involving the generation, transportation, disposal or other handling of hazardous or toxic wastes (e.g., contracts for grading, dredging, excavating and handling toxic materials).

(E) Contracts for the sale or purchase of real property.

Section 4 Sealed Bids

4.1 <u>Sealed Bids – Generally.</u>

A competitive sealed bid process shall be used for all procurements except as otherwise provided in

<u>Sections 2.3</u> (Use of Non-Competitive Procedures) and <u>2.4</u> (Emergency Procedures) of <u>Section 2</u> (<u>Definitions</u>) or in <u>Section 5</u> (Competitively Negotiated Contracts Including Professional Services), <u>Section</u> <u>6</u> (Alternative Method for Procurement of Contracts Including Construction and Other Services), or <u>Section 11</u> (Purchase Of Materials, Supplies And Equipment) of this Chapter. A competitive sealed bid process shall be procured through an IFB procurement process.

4.2 <u>Procedures For Sealed Bids.</u>

(A) The notice inviting bids shall be posted at the offices of LiSWA, or other place(s) designated by resolution of the Board, and advertised by public posting to LiSWA's website and in a newspaper of general circulation within the boundaries of LiSWA and other trade publications as deemed appropriate by the General Manager. The notice inviting bids shall set a date for the opening of bids. The first publication or posting of the notice shall be at least 10 days before the date of opening the bids.

(B) The Board may reject any bids presented and re-advertise. If two or more bids are the same and the lowest, the Board may accept the one it chooses. If no bids are received, the Board may utilize the non-competitive procurement procedures set out in this Chapter.

(C) After rejecting bids, the Board may pass a resolution by a majority vote of its members declaring that the project can be performed more economically by day labor, or the materials or supplies furnished at a lower price in the open market. Upon adoption of the resolution, it may have the project done in the manner stated without further complying with this Chapter.

(D) All bids shall be presented under sealed cover and accompanied by one of the following forms of bidder's security: (i) cash; (ii) cashier's check made payable to LiSWA; (iii) a certified check made payable to LiSWA; or (iv) a bidder's bond executed by an admitted surety insurer, made payable to LiSWA. The security shall be in an amount equal to at least 10 percent of the amount bid. A bid shall not be considered unless one of the forms of bidder's security is enclosed with it. If the successful bidder fails to execute the contract, the amount of the bidder's security shall be forfeited to LiSWA except as provided in this Chapter.

(E) The Board may, on refusal or failure of the successful bidder to execute the contract, award it to the next lowest responsible bidder. If the Board awards the contract to the second lowest bidder, the amount of the lowest bidder's security shall be applied by LiSWA to the difference between the low bid and the second lowest bid, and the surplus, if any, shall be returned to the lowest bidder if cash or a check is used, or to the surety on the bidder's bond if a bond is used.

Section 5 Competitively Negotiated Contracts Including Professional Services

5.1 <u>Use of Competitively Negotiated Procurement Procedures</u>.

This <u>Section 5</u> outlines LiSWA's procedures for competitively negotiated procurements, also known as a competitive RFP process, or in the case of the procurement of professional services on a qualifications basis, a competitive RFQ process. The procedures used in this <u>Section 5</u> shall be used for:

(A) Contracts for professional services, consulting services, personnel services, and for other

services that the Board has determined are to be competitively negotiated. These services are not limited to but may include architectural, engineering, legal, legislative advocacy, planning, and accounting services;

(B) Purchases of specialized equipment, computers, telecommunications equipment, microwave equipment and other related electronic equipment and apparatus, if the Board has approved the use of the procedures set forth in this Chapter for a particular procurement.

(C) Other contracts that the Board has determined are to be competitively negotiated.

5.2 <u>Solicitation of Proposals – General.</u>

(A) An RFP or RFQ shall be the solicitation used to communicate LiSWA's requirements to prospective contractors when the negotiated method of seeking competitive proposals is used. LiSWA shall furnish identical information concerning a proposed procurement to all prospective contractors receiving the RFP or RFQ.

(B) In determining sources to solicit, General Manager shall use all means available to ensure that an adequate number of potential qualified proposers receive the solicitation in order to obtain the maximum open and competitive competition. Pre-solicitation announcement notices shall be published on LiSWA website or other manner reasonably likely to attract proposers.

5.3 <u>Proposal Evaluation.</u>

(A) The evaluation factors that will be considered in evaluating proposals shall be tailored to each procurement and shall include only those factors that will have an impact on the source selection decision. The evaluation factors that apply to a particular procurement and the relative importance of those factors are within the broad discretion of the General Manager. All factors that are to be considered in an award of a contract must be identified in the RFP or RFQ and must allow for a fair and equitable evaluation of all proposals. Evaluation criteria could include matters such as previous experience providing similar services, qualifications of team members, satisfaction of previous clients, capacity to provide personnel when needed and approach to providing the services.

(B) The General Manager, in her or his discretion, may establish a formal evaluation panel/committee to evaluate proposals in accordance with the stated evaluation criteria. Following evaluation, the General Manager may either recommend a selection to the Board or, if authorized to do so, itself select the recommended source for contract award.

(C) The most qualified or "shortlisted" firms may be asked to further present their qualifications in an interview or similar process. The shortlist of firms will be determined by the General Manager. The evaluators will consider the results of the interviews in making the selection recommendation.

5.4 <u>Selection and Negotiations</u>.

The methods and procedures for selection and negotiation shall be set forth in the RFP or RFQ. The General Manager may adopt any lawful methods and procedures that he or she determines are in the

best interest of LiSWA. The selection decision is subject to the approval of the Board.

5.5 Special Provisions Applicable To Procurement of Professional Services Contracts.

If the procurement is for professional services listed in California Government Code Section 4525, in addition to meeting the other requirements of this <u>Section 5</u>, the procurement process shall comply with applicable requirements of Government Code Sections 4525 *et seq*. In particular, Government Code Section 4526 states that the procurement procedures for such contracts must:

(A) assure that such services are engaged on the basis of demonstrated competence and qualifications for the types of services to be performed and at fair and reasonable prices to the public;

(B) assure maximum participation of small business firms pursuant to Government Code Section 14837;

(C) specifically prohibit practices which might result in unlawful activity including, but not limited to, rebates, kickbacks, or other unlawful consideration; and

(D) specifically prohibit government agency employees from participating in the selection process when those employees have a relationship with a person or business entity seeking a contract that would subject those employees to the prohibition of Government Code Section 87100.

Section 6 Alternative Method for Procurement of Contracts Including Construction and Other Services

6.1 <u>Purpose</u>.

In certain cases, it may be efficient or advantageous for LiSWA to enter into contracts that include responsibility for construction services as well as other services that are not appropriate for sealed bidding and for which LiSWA does not wish to use a competitive negotiation procurement process. Such contracts could include progressive or fixed- price design-build or design-build operate/maintain contracts (including design services as well as construction services and potentially operations / maintenance), construction management at-risk contracts (including professional services as well as a guarantee of the cost of construction services) and public-private partnerships(which may include professional services, construction services, finance services and/or operation and maintenance services).

6.2 <u>Process</u>.

Procurements under this <u>Section 6</u> shall be conducted in accordance with the terms, conditions, processes, rules and procedures as stated in the procurement documents. To the extent not covered in the procurement documents (and to the extent covered, not inconsistent therewith), the procurement may include any of the following:

(A) Procurement by RFP or RFQ or through a multi-stage process in which LiSWA invites prospective proposers, through a RFI or similar process, to submit statements indicating the potential proposer's approach to the project and interest in proposing;

(B) Prequalification or short listing or a similar process whereby a shortened list of potential proposers are invited to submit proposals;

(C) Final evaluation of proposals based on qualifications and/or best value. For purposes of this section, "best value" means a value determined by objective criteria, including, but not limited to, price, features, functions, life-cycle costs, and other criteria deemed appropriate by LiSWA. LiSWA shall develop and adopt criteria for making that evaluation prior to evaluation of a proposal.

- (D) Negotiations with proposers prior to award.
- (E) Requests for best and final offers from proposers.

(F) Acceptance of unsolicited proposals, with issuance of requests for competing proposals. LiSWA shall not award a contract to an unsolicited bidder without receiving at least one other responsible bid.

6.3 <u>Evaluation and Award</u>.

To the extent not inconsistent with the provisions of the procurement documents:

(A) When evaluating a proposal submitted by the proposer, LiSWA may award a contract on the basis of the proposer's qualifications, the lowest bid or best value.

(B) The proposer shall have the following qualifications:

(1) Evidence that the members of the proposer's team have completed, or have demonstrated the experience, competency, capability, and capacity to complete, a project of similar size, scope, or complexity, and that proposed key personnel have sufficient experience and training to competently manage and complete the design and construction of the project, and a financial statement that ensures that the proposer's team has the capacity to complete the project.

(2) The licenses, registration, and credentials required to design and construct the project, including, but not limited to, information on the revocation or suspension of any license, credential, or registration.

(3) Evidence that establishes that members of the proposer's team have the capacity to obtain all required payment and performance bonding, liability insurance, and errors and omissions insurance.

6.4 <u>Methods and Criteria</u>.

(A) Use of alternative procurement procedures under this <u>Section 6</u> requires Board authorization. The General Manager shall determine the methods, procedures, and criteria for selection. If the Board has authorized the solicitation of such a contract for a particular procurement, LiSWA shall follow the procedures set forth in this <u>Section 6</u> and such other procedures as have been established by the General Manager.

- (B) The procurement documents shall include all of the following:
- (1) A reasonable description of the services to be provided and work to be performed;

(2) A description of the format that proposals must follow and the elements they must contain, including the qualifications and relevant experience of the design professional and the contractor;

(3) A summary of the criteria that will be used in evaluating the submittals; and

(4) The date on which the proposals are due, and the timetable that will be used in reviewing and evaluating the proposals.

6.5 <u>Contracts That Include Professional Services</u>.

If a contract subject to this <u>Section 6</u> includes professional services of the type listed in Government Code Section 4525, the selection process for such contract shall comply with all applicable requirements of Government Code Sections 4525 *et seq.* as described in <u>Section 5.5</u> of this Chapter. The statutory requirement to select contractors based on demonstrated competence and qualifications may be satisfied by a shortlisting step that includes evaluation of the design professional's qualifications.

Section 7 Standard Form Contracts

7.1 <u>Preparation of Standard Form Contracts</u>.

For Small Contracts, Micro-Purchases and other procurements where standard specifications for goods or services to be procured are available, the General Manager shall prepare, or cause to be prepared, standard agreements for procurement of goods and services. The standard agreements, as applicable, shall be approved as to form by LiSWA's general counsel.

7.2 <u>Criteria for Preparation of Contracts</u>.

Each standard agreement and every other contract entered into by LiSWA shall be prepared utilizing the following criteria:

(A) A clear and accurate identification of the parties.

(B) A clear and complete statement of the work, services, or product to be performed, rendered, or provided.

(C) A clear expression of the maximum amount to be paid, if any, and the basis upon which payment is to be made.

(D) A statement of the time for performance or completion of the contract.

7.3 <u>Purchase Orders</u>.

In lieu of a standard agreement form, the General Manager may prepare or cause to be prepared a form of purchase order for the purchase of materials, supplies and equipment procured in accordance with <u>Section 11</u> below.

Section 8 Supporting Documents

8.1 <u>Responses to Solicitations</u>.

Unless the procurement documents make them a part of the contract, bids and proposals received together with documents comprising the solicitation request may, but are not required to, accompany the contract to final approval by the Board.

8.2 Explanation of Failure to Award to Lowest Bidder.

If sealed bidding is provided for in this Chapter and an award is made not to the lowest bidder, a full explanation and justification must accompany the contract for final approval.

8.3 Local Government Entity/Cooperative Agreements.

If deemed necessary or advisable upon consultation with legal counsel, where one of the contracting parties is a county, city, district, or other local public body, the contract shall be accompanied by a copy of the resolution, order, motion, or regulation of the local governing body granting authority to enter into the proposed contract and approving and authorizing execution of the agreement.

8.4 <u>Authorized Signatures</u>.

Authority to execute contracts is limited to the General Manager and members of the Board who have been duly authorized by the Board. The General Manager is duly authorized by the Board to execute on behalf of LiSWA and without formal Board approval, those contracts he or she is authorized to approve pursuant to this Chapter under <u>Section 2.7</u>. LiSWA will maintain a record for audit purposes of all persons who have been authorized to execute contracts on behalf of LiSWA.

8.5 <u>Public Entity Expending JPA Funds Right to Audit</u>.

Every JPA contract wherein a government entity is receiving JPA funds shall require that the government entity place in each of its contracts involving an expenditure of JPA funds in excess of \$250,000.00, a provision which indicates that the contracting parties may be subject to an examination and audit by LiSWA or its designee for a period of not less than three years after final payment under the contract.

8.6 <u>Retention of Evaluations</u>.

Unless otherwise provided in the procurement documents, all proposals and any evaluations and rating sheets regarding such proposal, shall be retained for the period required by law or LiSWA's record retention schedule. Copies shall be made available to the Board upon request, provided that if such documents would thereby become public information, they shall be redacted as appropriate to maintain confidentiality of any information (such as the names of the evaluators and the identity of references contacted) that would not otherwise be required to be disclosed publicly.

Section 9 Modification or Amendment of Contracts

9.1 <u>Contracts Subject to Board Approval.</u>

Contracts subject to the approval of the Board must also have such approval for a modification or amendment thereto, with the exception of the following which may be approved by the General Manager:

(A) Amendments to contracts limited to an extension of the date of completion of performance for a period of one month or less. A contract may only be amended once under this provision.

(B) Amendments that change the amount of the contract, provided that the amendment does not increase the contract amount by more than 10%. Multiple amendments of a contract that in the aggregate increase the contract amount by more than 25%, shall, upon the aggregate amendments exceeding such amount, be subject to Board approval.

(C) Contracts let or awarded on the basis of any law requiring competitive bidding may be modified or amended only if the contract so provides and if authorized by the law requiring competitive bidding.

(D) Modifications within the scope of the General Manager's authority under Section 2.7.

9.2 Modifications or Amendments Taking Contracts Outside Scope of Exemption.

If an amendment to a contract has the effect of taking the contract as amended outside the scope of an exemption from the approval by the Board, such as an increase in monetary amount, or an agreement by LiSWA to indemnify or save harmless any person or entity, the amendment must be approved by the Board.

9.3 <u>Modifications or Amendments Subjecting Contract to Lease/Purchase Analysis Requirements.</u>

If the amendment has the effect of making the contract subject to the lease/purchase analysis requirements contained in <u>Section 10</u> of this Chapter, the provisions of these policies and procedures related to lease/purchase analysis shall be complied with.

Section 10 Contracts for Lease and Rental of Equipment

10.1 Application of Section.

The provisions of this <u>Section 10</u> shall apply to all equipment leased or rented by LiSWA except automobiles provided under the terms of a separate employment agreement.

10.2 <u>Contract Provisions</u>.

Contracts for lease and rental of equipment must clearly provide that LiSWA does not have responsibility for loss or damage to the rented equipment arising from a cause beyond the control of LiSWA. Any provision obligating LiSWA to return the equipment in good condition, subject to reasonable wear and tear, must also except or exclude loss or damage arising from causes beyond the control of LiSWA. The contract must clearly restrict LiSWA's liability for damage or loss to that resulting from the negligent act or omission of LiSWA or the General Manager's officers, staff, or agents acting within the course and scope of their employment with the General Manager. If LiSWA does not elect to maintain the equipment, the contract shall place the obligation on the contractor, as lessor, to keep the equipment in good working order and to make all necessary repairs and adjustments without qualification, with a clear right in LiSWA to terminate or cease payment for repairs and adjustments without qualification, to terminate or cease paying rent should the contractor fail to maintain the equipment properly. For this purpose, the contractor's representatives shall be given full and adequate access to the equipment at reasonable times.

10.3 Renewal Options.

For the purpose of determining whether contracts containing renewal options are subject to approval of the Board, the total cost and term of the rental contract shall be computed by including the cost and term of all renewal options included in the contract.

10.4 <u>Purchase Options</u>.

Approval by the Board of the rental agreement does not include approval for the exercise of the option to purchase. The Board must approve any exercise of the option to purchase equipment in advance.

Section 11 Purchase Of Materials, Supplies and Equipment

11.1 <u>Purchase of Materials, Supplies and Equipment with Unit or System Prices up to \$200,000.00</u>.

In lieu of issuing a written request for bids or proposals, and consistent with the definition of a Small Purchase under <u>Section 2.1</u>, the General Manager may obtain a minimum of three oral or telephone quotations from vendors selected by the General Manager, for acquisition of materials, supplies and equipment having a unit or system price of not more than \$200,000.00 and for which there are standard specifications (e.g., certain paper supplies, building materials). The General Manager shall solicit quotations. Written confirmation shall be obtained from each vendor submitting an oral quotation. Purchases may be documented through purchase orders rather than other standard form or customized contracts.

11.2 <u>Purchase of Materials, Supplies and Equipment with Unit or System Prices of more than</u> <u>\$200,000.00</u>.

Purchases of materials, supplies or equipment having a unit or system price of more than \$200,000.00 should be made in accordance with the sealed bidding, competitive negotiations or alternative procurement processes identified in <u>Sections 2, 4, 5</u> and <u>6</u> of this Chapter. Purchases may be documented through standard or customized contract forms if approved by LiSWA's legal counsel as to form.

Section 12 Protests

12.1 <u>Right to File Protests</u>.

A person that has indicated an interest in proposing or bidding on a contract, or that has timely submitted a bid or proposal in response to any procurement of LiSWA may file, in the case of a protest prior to award of the contract, a protest objecting to the form or content of the RFP, RFQ or IFB within the time periods and in accordance with the procedures outlined in <u>Sections 12.2(A) and (B)</u> below. In the case of a protest filed after award of a contract, the protest shall be filed in accordance with the procedures and within the time periods stated in <u>Section 12.2(C)</u> below. The following procedures apply in the event that the RFP, RFQ or IFB does not contain relevant protest procedures or to the extent that a procedure set forth below is not set forth in the RFP, RFQ or IFB. To the extent that any provision below conflicts or is otherwise inconsistent with a process or procedure set forth in an RFP, RFQ or IFB, the provision in the RFP, RFQ or IFB will prevail. To the extent that a provision of an RFP, RFQ or IFB does not permit protests, that prohibition will prevail over and negate a process permitted below that is inconsistent with that prohibition.

12.2 <u>Requirements for Protests</u>.

(A) For protests filed in advance of submittal of proposals, statements or qualifications or bids, the following procedures shall apply:

(1) Prospective proposers and bidders are encouraged to suggest changes, modifications, and improvements to the RFP, RFQ or IFB. The deadline for submitting suggested changes, modifications, and proposals shall be five Working Days after the pre-proposal conference if any, and if not no later than 20 Working Days prior to the date that submittals are due. Such changes, modifications and proposals shall be made in writing to LiSWA representative identified in the RFP, RFQ or IFB.

(2) If a proposed change, modification, or improvement is accepted by LiSWA, said change, modification or improvement shall be incorporated into the RFP, RFQ or IFB through an addendum sent to all potential proposers or bidders that have received the RFP, RFQ or IFB.

(3) Protests dealing with restrictive specifications or alleged improprieties in solicitation of proposals or bids must be filed no later than ten Working Days prior to the date for submittal of proposals, statements of qualifications or bids. Protests shall be in writing and addressed to the General Manager.

(4) The protest shall contain a statement describing the reasons for the protest and any supporting documentation. Additional materials in support of the initial protest will only be considered if filed within the time limit specified above. The protest shall indicate the ruling or relief desired from the General Manager.

(5) Materials submitted by a protester or bidder will not be withheld from any interested party, except to the extent that the withholding of information is permitted or required by law or regulation. If the protest contains proprietary material, a statement advising of this fact may be affixed to the front page of the protest document and the alleged proprietary information must be so identified wherever it appears. Notwithstanding a designation of material as proprietary, LiSWA or its designee shall have the discretion to determine whether or not such material should be withheld from the other interested parties and if LiSWA or its designee determines that the material should be made available, the protesting potential proposer or bidder waives any claim based on such disclosure.

(B) For protests filed after submittal of proposals, statements or qualifications or bids, but prior to award of the contract, the following procedures shall apply

(1) Except as otherwise provided in this Chapter, proposals will not be opened prior to resolution of the protest, and the General Manager or her or his designee shall follow the review and decision process outline in this Chapter, modified as deemed necessary in the General Manager's sole discretion. Where the protest is filed before award, the Award will not be made prior to resolution of the protest, unless the General Manager determines that:

(a) Items to be procured are urgently needed, or delivery or performance of the contract will be unduly delayed by failure to make Award promptly; or

(b) Failure to make award will cause undue harm to LiSWA.

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(C) For protests filed after award of a contract, the following procedures

shall apply:

(1) The protest shall be filed in writing with the General Manager, by hand delivery, not later than the close of business on the day that is three Working Days after the day on which the Board takes formal action awarding a contract.

(2) The protest shall be filed by an actual bidder or proposer responding to the procurement. No other party has standing to protest.

(3) The protest shall identify the specific procurement involved.

(4) The protest shall identify the specific recommended action or decision being protested.

(5) The protest shall specify in detail the grounds of the protest, the facts supporting the protest and the status of the protester.

(6) The protest shall include all relevant supporting documentation with the protest at the time of submittal.

(D) Except as modified by the procurement documents, if a protest does not comply with the above requirements, the protest will not be considered and will be returned to the protester.

(E) Except with respect to supporting materials the protester asserts contain confidential material or information, the protester shall concurrently file a copy of the detailed statement with the other proposed or, in the case of a protest after award, actual bidders or proposers.

(F) Evidentiary statements, if any, shall be submitted under penalty of perjury. The protester shall have the burden of proving its protest by clear and convincing evidence. Failure to file a protest within the applicable period shall constitute a waiver of the right to protest the determination, authorization or award, as applicable, other than any protest based on facts not reasonably ascertainable as of such date.

12.3 <u>Statements by Other Parties</u>.

Other potential or actual bidders or proposers may file by hand delivery to LiSWA statements in support of or in opposition to the protest within five Working Days of the filing of the protest described in <u>Section</u> <u>12.2</u>. LiSWA shall promptly forward copies of any such statements to the protester. Any evidentiary statements shall be submitted under penalty of perjury.

12.4 <u>Resolution of Protest</u>.

(A) The General Manager or her or his designee will respond to protests within five Working Days of receiving the protest, acknowledging receipt of the protest. A conference on the merits of the protest may be held with the protester and LiSWA will promptly attempt to resolve a properly filed protest or perform additional fact- finding.

(B) If the General Manager or her or his designee is able to resolve the protest at this stage, a letter confirming resolution shall be sent to the protester.

(C) If the General Manager or her or his designee is unable to resolve the protest within ten Working Days after receipt of the protest, he or she may establish an independent team to evaluate the merits of the protest. The General Manager will determine the timeline for such evaluation.

(D) Within ten Working Days of her or his receipt of a recommendation of the evaluation team, the General Manager or her or his designee will review the recommendation and notify the protester in writing of the decision on the protest.

(E) If at any time during this process, additional information is required by LiSWA from the protester, such additional information shall be submitted by the protester as expeditiously as possible, but no later than three Working Days after receipt of a request.

(F) For protests involving award of the contract, if the General Manager's decision is to uphold the protest, a recommendation will be made to the Board to either:

- (1) Reject all proposals or bids, cancel the procurement and solicit new proposals or bids, or
- (2) Proceed with the procurement consistent with the decision in response to the protest.

CHAPTER 7

REAL ESTATE POLICIES

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Section 1 Acquisition and Acceptance of Real Property Interests

1.1 <u>Acquisition</u>.

The General Manager or her or his designee is authorized to negotiate with property owners for acquisition of real property, including real property rights such as easements on behalf of the Authority. The General Manager or her or his designee shall follow State law regarding the acquisition of real property or for any special considerations relating to real property, such as condemnation proceedings. The General Manager or her or his designee is authorized to approve the establishment of an offer of just compensation based on a qualified appraisal, which the General Manager or her or his designee is also authorized to approve, and consistent with LiSWA's approved and current capital expenditure plan or budget. For acquisitions that do not involve potential condemnation proceedings, the General Manager may authorize an alternative method for determining just compensation in lieu of a qualified appraisal. After just compensation is established, the General Manager or her or his designee is authorized to approve and direct payment for acquisition of the property; provided, however that: (1) the payment amount shall not exceed 120 percent of the appraised or estimated value or \$250,000, whichever is greater, or the full satisfaction of court judgments regarding property valuation, notwithstanding the amount; and (2) the amount is consistent with LiSWA's approved and current capital expenditure plan / budget. Subject to the limitations in this section and review as to form by legal counsel, the General Manager or her or his designee is authorized to execute, terminate, or amend all real property transfer documents, including but not limited to, rights of entry, licenses, leases, deeds, easements, purchase and sale agreements, possession and use agreements, stipulated judgments in condemnation, escrow instructions, and certificates of acceptance.

Except as otherwise authorized herein, all final agreements related to the acquisition of real property that require the expenditure of money or transfer of other real property by the Authority shall be approved by the Board and executed through a written contract.

1.2 <u>Acceptance</u>.

The General Manager of the Authority is authorized to accept on behalf of the Authority any deed, grant, or other instrument conveying any interest in or easement upon real property to the Authority for public purposes, and the General Manager is authorized to consent to the recordation of any such deed, grant, or other instrument pursuant to Government Code section 27281.

Section 2 Disposal of Surplus Real Property

2.1 Disposal of Surplus Real Property.

For any real property owned in fee simple by the Authority, the Authority may for valuable consideration sell or lease the property upon terms that appear to the Board to be in the best interest of the Authority. The manner of sale or lease shall be approved by the Board, subject to the notifications and procedures set forth in Government Code Section 54220 et seq. and Government Code Section 65402, if applicable. The General Manager may dispose of or exchange real property not owned in fee simple if it is no longer necessary for Authority purposes and is valued at less than \$10,000.

CHAPTER 8

JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE

The Political Reform Act (Gov. Code § 81000, et seq.) requires state and local government agencies to adopt and promulgate conflict of interest codes. The Fair Political Practices Commission has adopted a regulation (2 Cal. Code of Regs. § 18730) that contains the terms of a standard conflict of interest code, which can be incorporated by reference in an agency's code. After public notice and hearing Section 18730 may be amended by the Fair Political Practices Commission to conform to amendments in the Political Reform Act. Therefore, the terms of 2 California Code of Regulations Section 18730 and any amendments to it duly adopted by the Fair Political Practices Commission are hereby incorporated by reference. This incorporation page, Regulation 18730 (**Exhibit B**) and an appendix, when developed, designating positions and establishing disclosure categories, shall constitute the Conflict of Interest Code of LiSWA.

All officials and designated positions, as applicable, of LiSWA shall file their statements of economic interests with the Board Secretary as the Filing Officer/Official. The Board Secretary shall make and retain a copy of all statements filed by members of the Board of Directors and the General Manager, and forward the originals of such statements to the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Placer. The Board Secretary shall retain the originals of the statements filed by all other officials and designated positions and make all statements available for public inspection and reproduction during regular business hours. (Gov. Code § 81008.)

Board members and General Counsel are encouraged to alert each of potential conflicts of interest as issues or facts arise or members or counsel otherwise become aware of a potential conflict of interest. General Counsel may provide, if desired by the Board, regular training on conflict of interest issues particularly as new laws are developed and set to take effect.

CHAPTER 9

BOARD COMPENSATION POLICY

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Section 1 Compensation and Reimbursement.

The JPA Agreement at Section 7.4 (Compensation) entitles Directors to compensation for attending each Board of Directors ("Board") meeting, as established by resolution of the Board.

The JPA Agreement also provides that each Board member may be reimbursed for reasonable and necessary expenses actually incurred in the conduct of LiSWA's business.

The Board of Directors finds it appropriate for LiSWA to compensate Directors in an amount to be determined at a later time as may be duly decided with a resolution by the Board of Directors for attendance at each regular and special meeting of the full Board, and each regular and special meeting of any Standing Committee.

The Board of Directors of LiSWA therefore resolves that a Board member may request compensation and reimbursement as set forth above.

EXHIBIT A

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<u>EXHIBIT B</u>

§ 18730. Provisions of Conflict of Interest Codes.

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§ 18730. Provisions of Conflict of Interest Codes.

(a) Incorporation by reference of the terms of this regulation along with the designation of employees and the formulation of disclosure categories in the Appendix referred to below constitute the adoption and promulgation of a conflict of interest code within the meaning of Section 87300 or the amendment of a conflict of interest code within the meaning of Section 87300 are substituted for terms of a conflict of interest code already in effect. A code so amended or adopted and promulgated requires the reporting of reportable items in a manner substantially equivalent to the requirements of article 2 of chapter 7 of the Political Reform Act, Sections 81000, et seq. The requirements of a conflict of interest code are in addition to other requirements of the Political Reform Act, such as the general prohibition against conflicts of interest contained in Section 87100, and to other state or local laws pertaining to conflicts of interest.

(b) The terms of a conflict of interest code amended or adopted and promulgated pursuant to this regulation are as follows:

(1) Section 1. Definitions.

The definitions contained in the Political Reform Act of 1974, regulations of the Fair Political Practices Commission (Regulations 18110, et seq.), and any amendments to the Act or regulations, are incorporated by reference into this conflict of interest code.

(2) Section 2. Designated Employees.

The persons holding positions listed in the Appendix are designated employees. It has been determined that these persons make or participate in the making of decisions which may foreseeably have a material effect on economic interests.

(3) Section 3. Disclosure Categories.

This code does not establish any disclosure obligation for those designated employees who are also specified in Section 87200 if they are designated in this code in that same capacity or if the geographical jurisdiction of this agency is the same as or is wholly included within the jurisdiction in which those persons must report their economic interests pursuant to article 2 of chapter 7 of the Political Reform Act, Sections 87200, et seq. In addition, this code does not establish any disclosure obligation for any designated employees who are designated in a conflict of interest code for another agency, if all of the following apply:

(A) The geographical jurisdiction of this agency is the same as or is wholly included within the jurisdiction of the other agency;

(B) The disclosure assigned in the code of the other agency is the same as that required under article 2 of chapter 7 of the Political Reform Act, Section 87200; and

(C) The filing officer is the same for both agencies. [FN1]

Such persons are covered by this code for disqualification purposes only. With respect to all other designated employees, the disclosure categories set forth in the Appendix specify which kinds of economic interests are reportable. Such a designated employee shall disclose in the employee's statement of economic interests those economic interests the employee has which are of the kind described in the disclosure categories to which the employee is assigned in the Appendix. It has been determined that the economic interests set forth in a designated employee's disclosure categories are the kinds of economic interests which the employee foreseeably can affect materially through the conduct of the employee's office.

(4) Section 4. Statements of Economic Interests: Place of Filing.

The code reviewing body shall instruct all designated employees within its code to file statements of economic interests with the agency or with the code reviewing body, as provided by the code reviewing body in the agency's conflict of interest code. [FN2]

(5) Section 5. Statements of Economic Interests: Time of Filing.

(A) Initial Statements. All designated employees employed by the agency on the effective date of this code, as originally adopted, promulgated and approved by the code reviewing body, shall file statements within 30 days after the effective date of this code. Thereafter, each person already in a position when it is designated by an amendment to this code shall file an initial statement within 30 days after the effective date of the amendment.

(B) Assuming Office Statements. All persons assuming designated positions after the effective date of this code shall file statements within 30 days after assuming the designated positions, or if subject to State Senate confirmation, 30 days after being nominated or appointed.

(C) Annual Statements. All designated employees shall file statements no later than April 1. If a person reports for military service as defined in the Servicemember's Civil Relief Act, the deadline for the annual statement of economic interests is 30 days following the person's return to office, provided the person, or someone authorized to represent the person's interests, notifies the filing officer in writing prior to the applicable filing deadline that the person is subject to that federal statute and is unable to meet the applicable deadline, and provides the filing officer verification of the person's military status.

(D) Leaving Office Statements. All persons who leave designated positions shall file statements within 30 days after leaving office.

(5.5) Section 5.5. Statements for Persons Who Resign Prior to Assuming Office.

Any person who resigns within 12 months of initial appointment, or within 30 days of the date of notice provided by the filing officer to file an assuming office statement, is not deemed to have assumed office or left office, provided the person did not make or participate in the making of, or use the person's position to influence any decision and did not receive or become entitled to receive any form of payment as a result of the person's appointment. Such persons shall not file either an assuming or leaving office statement.

(A) Any person who resigns a position within 30 days of the date of a notice from the filing officer shall do both of the following:

(1) File a written resignation with the appointing power; and

(2) File a written statement with the filing officer declaring under penalty of perjury that during the period between appointment and resignation the person did not make, participate in the making, or use the position to influence any decision of the agency or receive, or become entitled to receive, any form of payment by virtue of being appointed to the position.

(6) Section 6. Contents of and Period Covered by Statements of Economic Interests.

(A) Contents of Initial Statements.

Initial statements shall disclose any reportable investments, interests in real property and business positions held on the effective date of the code and income received during the 12 months prior to the effective date of the code.

(B) Contents of Assuming Office Statements.

Assuming office statements shall disclose any reportable investments, interests in real property and business positions held on the date of assuming office or, if subject to State Senate confirmation or appointment, on the date of nomination, and income received during the 12 months prior to the date of assuming office or the date of being appointed or nominated, respectively.

(C) Contents of Annual Statements. Annual statements shall disclose any reportable investments, interests in real property, income and business positions held or received during the previous calendar year provided, however, that the period covered by an employee's first annual statement shall begin on the effective date of the code or the date of assuming office whichever is later, or for a board or commission member subject to Section 87302.6, the day after the closing date of the most recent statement filed by the member pursuant to Regulation 18754.

(D) Contents of Leaving Office Statements.

Leaving office statements shall disclose reportable investments, interests in real property, income and business positions held or received during the period between the closing date of the last statement filed and the date of leaving office.

(7) Section 7. Manner of Reporting.

Statements of economic interests shall be made on forms prescribed by the Fair Political Practices Commission and supplied by the agency, and shall contain the following information:

(A) Investment and Real Property Disclosure.

When an investment or an interest in real property [FN3] is required to be reported, [FN4] the statement shall contain the following:

1. A statement of the nature of the investment or interest;

2. The name of the business entity in which each investment is held, and a general description of the business activity in which the business entity is engaged;

3. The address or other precise location of the real property;

4. A statement whether the fair market value of the investment or interest in real property equals or exceeds \$2,000, exceeds \$10,000, exceeds \$100,000, or exceeds \$1,000,000.

(B) Personal Income Disclosure. When personal income is required to be reported, [FN5] the statement shall contain:

The name and address of each source of income aggregating \$500 or more in value, or \$50 or more in value if the income was a gift, and a general description of the business activity, if any, of each source;
 A statement whether the aggregate value of income from each source, or in the case of a loan, the highest amount owed to each source, was \$1,000 or less, greater than \$1,000, greater than \$10,000, or

greater than \$100,000;

3. A description of the consideration, if any, for which the income was received;

4. In the case of a gift, the name, address and business activity of the donor and any intermediary through which the gift was made; a description of the gift; the amount or value of the gift; and the date on which the gift was received;

5. In the case of a loan, the annual interest rate and the security, if any, given for the loan and the term of the loan.

(C) Business Entity Income Disclosure. When income of a business entity, including income of a sole proprietorship, is required to be reported, [FN6] the statement shall contain:

1. The name, address, and a general description of the business activity of the business entity;

2. The name of every person from whom the business entity received payments if the filer's pro rata share of gross receipts from such person was equal to or greater than \$10,000.

(D) Business Position Disclosure. When business positions are required to be reported, a designated employee shall list the name and address of each business entity in which the employee is a director, officer, partner, trustee, employee, or in which the employee holds any position of management, a description of the business activity in which the business entity is engaged, and the designated employee's position with the business entity.

(E) Acquisition or Disposal During Reporting Period. In the case of an annual or leaving office statement, if an investment or an interest in real property was partially or wholly acquired or disposed of during the period covered by the statement, the statement shall contain the date of acquisition or disposal.

(8) Section 8. Prohibition on Receipt of Honoraria.

(A) No member of a state board or commission, and no designated employee of a state or local government agency, shall accept any honorarium from any source, if the member or employee would be required to report the receipt of income or gifts from that source on the member's or employee's statement of economic interests.

(B) This section shall not apply to any part-time member of the governing board of any public institution of higher education, unless the member is also an elected official.

(C) Subdivisions (a), (b), and (c) of Section 89501 shall apply to the prohibitions in this section.

(D) This section shall not limit or prohibit payments, advances, or reimbursements for travel and related lodging and subsistence authorized by Section 89506.

(8.1) Section 8.1. Prohibition on Receipt of Gifts in Excess of \$590.

(A) No member of a state board or commission, and no designated employee of a state or local government agency, shall accept gifts with a total value of more than \$590 in a calendar year from any single source, if the member or employee would be required to report the receipt of income or gifts from that source on the member's or employee's statement of economic interests.

(B) This section shall not apply to any part-time member of the governing board of any public institution of higher education, unless the member is also an elected official.

(C) Subdivisions (e), (f), and (g) of Section 89503 shall apply to the prohibitions in this section.

(8.2) Section 8.2. Loans to Public Officials.

(A) No elected officer of a state or local government agency shall, from the date of the election to office through the date that the officer vacates office, receive a personal loan from any officer, employee, member, or consultant of the state or local government agency in which the elected officer holds office or over which the elected officer's agency has direction and control.

(B) No public official who is exempt from the state civil service system pursuant to subdivisions (c), (d), (e), (f), and (g) of Section 4 of Article VII of the Constitution shall, while he or she holds office, receive a personal loan from any officer, employee, member, or consultant of the state or local government agency in which the public official holds office or over which the public official's agency has direction and control. This subdivision shall not apply to loans made to a public official whose duties are solely secretarial, clerical, or manual.
(C) No elected officer of a state or local government agency shall, from the date of the election to office through the date that the officer vacates office, receive a personal loan from any person who has a contract with the state or local government agency to which that elected officer has been elected or over which that elected officer's agency has direction and control. This subdivision shall not apply to loans made by banks or other financial institutions or to any indebtedness created as part of a retail installment or credit card transaction, if the loan is made or the indebtedness created in the lender's regular course of business on terms available to members of the public without regard to the elected officer's official status.
(D) No public official who is exempt from the state civil service system pursuant to subdivisions (c), (d), (e), (f), and (g) of Section 4 of Article VII of the Constitution shall, while the official holds office, receive a personal

and (g) of Section 4 of Article VII of the Constitution shall, while the official holds office, receive a personal loan from any person who has a contract with the state or local government agency to which that elected officer has been elected or over which that elected officer's agency has direction and control. This subdivision shall not apply to loans made by banks or other financial institutions or to any indebtedness created as part of a retail installment or credit card transaction, if the loan is made or the indebtedness created in the lender's regular course of business on terms available to members of the public without regard to the elected officer's official status. This subdivision shall not apply to loans made to a public official whose duties are solely secretarial, clerical, or manual.

(E) This section shall not apply to the following:

1. Loans made to the campaign committee of an elected officer or candidate for elective office.

2. Loans made by a public official's spouse, child, parent, grandparent, grandchild, brother, sister, parentin-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, nephew, niece, aunt, uncle, or first cousin, or the spouse of any such persons, provided that the person making the loan is not acting as an agent or intermediary for any person not otherwise exempted under this section.

3. Loans from a person which, in the aggregate, do not exceed \$500 at any given time.

4. Loans made, or offered in writing, before January 1, 1998.

(8.3) Section 8.3. Loan Terms.

(A) Except as set forth in subdivision (B), no elected officer of a state or local government agency shall, from the date of the officer's election to office through the date the officer vacates office, receive a personal loan of \$500 or more, except when the loan is in writing and clearly states the terms of the loan, including the parties to the loan agreement, date of the loan, amount of the loan, term of the loan, date or dates when payments shall be due on the loan and the amount of the payments, and the rate of interest paid on the loan.
(B) This section shall not apply to the following types of loans:

1. Loans made to the campaign committee of the elected officer.

2. Loans made to the elected officer by his or her spouse, child, parent, grandparent, grandchild, brother, sister, parent-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, nephew, niece, aunt, uncle, or first cousin, or the spouse of any such person, provided that the person making the loan is not acting as an agent or intermediary for any person not otherwise exempted under this section.

3. Loans made, or offered in writing, before January 1, 1998.

(C) Nothing in this section shall exempt any person from any other provision of Title 9 of the Government Code.

(8.4) Section 8.4. Personal Loans.

(A) Except as set forth in subdivision (B), a personal loan received by any designated employee shall become a gift to the designated employee for the purposes of this section in the following circumstances:

1. If the loan has a defined date or dates for repayment, when the statute of limitations for filing an action for default has expired.

2. If the loan has no defined date or dates for repayment, when one year has elapsed from the later of the following:

a. The date the loan was made.

b. The date the last payment of \$100 or more was made on the loan.

c. The date upon which the debtor has made payments on the loan aggregating to less than \$250 during the previous 12 months.

(B) This section shall not apply to the following types of loans:

1. A loan made to the campaign committee of an elected officer or a candidate for elective office.

2. A loan that would otherwise not be a gift as defined in this title.

3. A loan that would otherwise be a gift as set forth under subdivision (A), but on which the creditor has taken reasonable action to collect the balance due.

4. A loan that would otherwise be a gift as set forth under subdivision (A), but on which the creditor, based on reasonable business considerations, has not undertaken collection action. Except in a criminal action, a creditor who claims that a loan is not a gift on the basis of this paragraph has the burden of

proving that the decision for not taking collection action was based on reasonable business considerations.

5. A loan made to a debtor who has filed for bankruptcy and the loan is ultimately discharged in bankruptcy.

(C) Nothing in this section shall exempt any person from any other provisions of Title 9 of the Government Code.

(9) Section 9. Disqualification.

No designated employee shall make, participate in making, or in any way attempt to use the employee's official position to influence the making of any governmental decision which the employee knows or has reason to know will have a reasonably foreseeable material financial effect, distinguishable from its effect on the public generally, on the official or a member of the official's immediate family or on:

(A) Any business entity in which the designated employee has a direct or indirect investment worth \$2,000 or more;

(B) Any real property in which the designated employee has a direct or indirect interest worth \$2,000 or more;

(C) Any source of income, other than gifts and other than loans by a commercial lending institution in the regular course of business on terms available to the public without regard to official status, aggregating \$500 or more in value provided to, received by or promised to the designated employee within 12 months prior to the time when the decision is made;

(D) Any business entity in which the designated employee is a director, officer, partner, trustee, employee, or holds any position of management; or

(E) Any donor of, or any intermediary or agent for a donor of, a gift or gifts aggregating \$590 or more provided to, received by, or promised to the designated employee within 12 months prior to the time when the decision is made.

(9.3) Section 9.3. Legally Required Participation.

No designated employee shall be prevented from making or participating in the making of any decision to the extent the employee's participation is legally required for the decision to be made. The fact that the vote of a designated employee who is on a voting body is needed to break a tie does not make the employees' participation legally required for purposes of this section.

(9.5) Section 9.5. Disqualification of State Officers and Employees.

In addition to the general disqualification provisions of section 9, no state administrative official shall make, participate in making, or use the official's position to influence any governmental decision directly relating to any contract where the state administrative official knows or has reason to know that any party to the contract is a person with whom the state administrative official, or any member of the official's immediate family has, within 12 months prior to the time when the official action is to be taken:

(A) Engaged in a business transaction or transactions on terms not available to members of the public, regarding any investment or interest in real property; or

(B) Engaged in a business transaction or transactions on terms not available to members of the public

regarding the rendering of goods or services totaling in value \$1,000 or more.

(10) Section 10. Disclosure of Disqualifying Interest.

When a designated employee determines that the employee should not make a governmental decision because the employee has a disqualifying interest in it, the determination not to act may be accompanied by disclosure of the disqualifying interest.

(11) Section 11. Assistance of the Commission and Counsel.

Any designated employee who is unsure of the duties under this code may request assistance from the Fair Political Practices Commission pursuant to Section 83114 and Regulations 18329 and 18329.5 or from the attorney for the employee's agency, provided that nothing in this section requires the attorney for the agency to issue any formal or informal opinion.

(12) Section 12. Violations.

This code has the force and effect of law. Designated employees violating any provision of this code are subject to the administrative, criminal and civil sanctions provided in the Political Reform Act, Sections 81000-91014. In addition, a decision in relation to which a violation of the disqualification provisions of this code or of Section 87100 or 87450 has occurred may be set aside as void pursuant to Section 91003.

[FN1]

Designated employees who are required to file statements of economic interests under any other agency's conflict of interest code, or under article 2 for a different jurisdiction, may expand their statement of economic interests to cover reportable interests in both jurisdictions, and file copies of this expanded statement with both entities in lieu of filing separate and distinct statements, provided that each copy of such expanded statement filed in place of an original is signed and verified by the designated employee as if it were an original. See Section 81004. [FN2]

See Section 81010 and Regulation 18115 for the duties of filing officers and persons in agencies who make and retain copies of statements and forward the originals to the filing officer.

[FN3]

For the purpose of disclosure only (not disqualification), an interest in real property does not include the principal residence of the filer.

[FN4]

Investments and interests in real property which have a fair market value of less than \$2,000 are not investments and interests in real property within the meaning of the Political Reform Act. However, investments or interests in real property of an individual include those held by the individual's spouse and dependent children as well as a pro rata share of any investment or interest in real property of any business entity or trust in which the individual, spouse and dependent children own, in the aggregate, a direct, indirect or beneficial interest of 10 percent or greater. [FN5]

A designated employee's income includes the employee's community property interest in the income of the employee's spouse but does not include salary or reimbursement for expenses received from a state, local or federal government agency.

[FN6]

Income of a business entity is reportable if the direct, indirect or beneficial interest of the filer and the filer's spouse in the business entity aggregates a 10 percent or greater interest. In addition, the disclosure of persons who are clients or customers of a business entity is required only if the clients or customers are within one of the disclosure categories of the filer.