San Gabriel Valley Mosquito & Vector Control District Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes July 14, 2023

TRUSTEES PRESENT

Henry Aviles (Alhambra)

Sho Tay (Arcadia)

Robert Gonzales (Azusa)

Richard Barakat (Bradbury) Arrived at 7:05 a.m.

Corey Calaycay (Claremont) Margaret Finlay (Duarte) Jerry Velasco (El Monte)

Jackie Doornik (Glendora) Arrived at 7:08 a.m.

Manuel Garcia (Irwindale)
Charlie Klinakis (La Puente)
Becky Shevlin (Monrovia)
Rachel Janbek (Pasadena)
Robert Joe (South Pasadena)
Cynthia Sternquist (Temple City)
Allen Wu (Walnut)
Lloyd Johnson (West Covina)

GUESTS PRESENT

District Counsel, Kelly Alhadeff-Black

TRUSTEES ABSENT

Emmanuel Estrada (Baldwin Park)
Patricia Cortez (Claremont)
Catherine Marcucci (Industry)

Meshal Kashifalghita (La Verne)

VACANT (L.A. County)

Joseph Leon (Monterey Park)

Tim Sandoval (Pomona)

Sandra Armenta (Rosemead)

Ryan Vienna (San Dimas)

Denise Menchaca (San Gabriel) John Capoccia (Sierra Madre)

STAFF PRESENT

Jason Farned
Rose Alba
Tristan Hallum
Gilbert Holguin
Kriztian Luna
Cecilia Contreras

Jerry Mireles

1. Call to Order

Board President Shevlin called the meeting to order at 7:01 a.m. President Shevlin led the Pledge of Allegiance. Clerk of the Board Mireles confirmed a quorum and noted absences.

2. Opportunity for Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items None

3. Consent Calendar

Motion by Trustee Finlay, seconded by Trustee Gonzales and carried by the following vote to approve Items 3.1- 3.7 of the Consent Calendar.

AYES: Aviles, Tay, Gonzales, Barakat, Calaycay, Finlay, Velasco, Doornik, Garcia,

Klinakis, Shevlin, Janbek, Joe, Sternquist, Wu, Johnson

NOES: None ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Estrada, Cortez, Marcucci, Kashifalqhita, Leon, Sandoval, Armenta, Vienna,

Menchaca, Capoccia

4. Presentation



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4.1 West Nile Virus – A Vector Control Districts Perspective

Director of Scientific Programs, Tristan Hallum, delivered a presentation that covered the historical background of the West Nile Virus, its modes of transmission, and the individuals susceptible to it. Additionally, he outlined the actions taken by staff to address the virus, emphasizing the importance of testing mosquitoes for diseases, educating residents, controlling mosquito populations, and providing an update to the Board regarding the current status of the disease.

5. Consider Resolution 2023-04 Authorizing Staff to Access State and Federal Summary Criminal History Information

District Manager Farned provided an overview of the District seeking to enhance its background check process by participating in the Department of Justice (DOJ) Live Scan program. This will authorize the District staff access to local, state, and federal summary criminal history for employment, licensing, and certification purposes.

Motion by Trustee Calaycay, seconded by Trustee Johnson and carried by the following vote to approve Resolution No. 2023-04 Authorizing Staff to Access State and Federal Summary Criminal History Information.

AYES: Aviles, Tay, Gonzales, Barakat, Calaycay, Finlay, Velasco, Doornik, Garcia,

Klinakis, Shevlin, Janbek, Joe, Sternquist, Wu, Johnson

NOES: None ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Estrada, Cortez, Marcucci, Kashifalghita, Leon, Sandoval, Armenta, Vienna,

Menchaca, Capoccia

6. District Administration

6.1 District Update

Mr. Farned reported that the Board received the digital toolkit last month and expressed gratitude to the cities that participated in the outreach. He mentioned the success of National Mosquito Awareness Week with 10 cities using the digital toolkit on social media and 4 cities presenting proclamations during City Council meetings. The District's website had over 960 visits to the national awareness campaign page, and the campaign video received over 45,000 views.

Mr. Farned also announced that Rose Alba, the Director of Administrative Services, will retire in October and recognized her 22 years of dedicated work for the District. An update on swimming pool violation surveillance was provided, revealing over 1200 unmaintained swimming pools identified, with violation notices sent. In the past 4 weeks, more than 600 unmaintained swimming pools were resolved, and the remaining cases will receive a second notification, aiming for a 100% resolution by August.



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7. Committee Reports

Trustee Velasco reported on the Public Information Committee meeting held on June 9, 2023, mentioning that the Committee established to hold quarterly meetings.

8. Trustee Reports

President Shevlin praised Clerk of the Board Jerry Mireles, for reporting at the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments meeting.

9. New Business

None

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 a.m.