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Meeting of the Little Egbert Joint Powers Agency Board of Directors

Friday, December 18th, 2020

11:00 am

MODIFIED BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS IN LIGHT OF COVID-19

In Compliance with CA Executive Orders N-25-20 and N-29-20 members of the Board of Directors and members of the public will participate in this meeting by teleconference. The video conferencing and call-in information for the Board of Directors and the public is as follows:

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1. Call to Order

Chairman Harris presided at the meeting. The meeting was called to order at 11:02am.

2. Roll Call and Opening Remarks

Directors present: Richard Harris

Warren Gomes, Jr.

3. Public Comment (New Business)

Public comment was given by Michael Moncrief of MBK Engineers.

4. Agenda Approval

Phil Williamson, member of the public, requested Item 7.b be moved to immediately after Item 6.a.

Chairman Harris moved to approve the agenda with Item 7.b to occur after Item 6.a.

Director Gomes seconded and it passed by unanimous vote.

AYES: Harris, Gomes

NOES: (None)

ABSTAIN: (None)

RECUSE: (None)

5. Consent Items (Action Item)

a. Approval of Meeting Minutes

1. November 13th, 2020

Enclosure 1: Agenda Item 5.a – Meeting Minutes

Director Gomes moved to approve consent items.

Chairman Harris seconded and it passed by unanimous vote.

6. Board Items (Action item unless otherwise noted)

a. Present Little Egbert Multi-benefit Project (Information Only)

General Manager Nagy presented the Little Egbert Multi-benefit Project (Attachment A).

b. Discuss briefings to landowners and local stakeholders with potential action.

Director Gomes requested outreach to City of Rio Vista, Ryer Island (Reclamation District 501), and private landowners in and around the proposed project site. Staff was instructed to return with an outreach plan, including potential firms to complete outreach, if necessary.

c. Discuss development of Agency website with potential action.

Chairman Harris moved to direct staff to obtain website proposals.

Director Gomes seconded and it passed by unanimous vote.

AYES: Harris, Gomes

NOES: (None)

ABSTAIN: (None)

RECUSE: (None)

d. Discuss potential approaches to retaining permanent staff (Information Only).

Counsel Shapiro presented staffing options to the Board and recommended a funding agreement with Reclamation District 2084 to cover expenses associated with permanent staff.

Chairman Harris directed staff to negotiate a funding agreement.

In addition, staff was directed to return with Qualifications next month as well as options for seeking proposals from other qualified firms.

- e. Consider approving a resolution to apply for and/or accept funds from California Natural Resources Agency in support of the Little Egbert Multi-benefit Project.

Enclosure 2: Resolution No. 3 – Resolution of the Little Egbert Joint Powers Agency approving the application for grant funds for the Protecting California’s Rivers, Streams and Watersheds Program

Chairman Harris approved the resolution approving the application for grant funds.

Director Gomes seconded and it passed by unanimous vote.

AYES: Harris, Gomes

NOES: (None)

ABSTAIN: (None)

RECUSE: (None)

7. Other Reports (Information Only)

- a. Director Report(s)

None

- b. General Manager’s Report

Manager Nagy provided an update on recent engagement in regard to the project as well as upcoming activities.

Manager Nagy attended a site visit of the Little Egbert tract with representatives from both SAFCA and DWR in late November. He presented the project to the North Delta Water Agency Board of Directors earlier this month, as well as attending a coordination meeting with Solano County staff on the status of the project. In mid-December he attended a meeting of the Solano County Airport Land Use Commission in regard to their 2021 priorities; habitat projects are on their priorities list. Manager Nagy attended the recent Cache Slough HCP Steering Committee Meeting to track the discuss of water diversions in the area, and he facilitated a meeting between DWR and SAFCA to discuss the scope of work for the CNRA grant received by LEJPA.

Upcoming activities include a presentation to the Solano Water Forum on January 21st and a potential opportunity to present to the Solano County Board of Supervisors in March.

c. Counsel Report

None

8. Adjourn

Chairman Harris moved to adjourn the meeting.

Director Gomes seconded and it passed by unanimous vote.

AYES: Harris, Gomes

NOES: (None)

ABSTAIN: (None)

RECUSE: (None)

The meeting was adjourned at 12:20pm.

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