Surfside Colony Storm Water Protection District

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Minutes of the December 4th, 2017 General Meeting of the Board of Trustees Surfside Office, B-89 7:00 p.m.

Trustees Present:

President V. John Kriss, Secretary Linda Garofalo, Henry Viets and

Steve Rowe

Trustees Absent:

Don Karich

Staff Present:

Chris Montana, Clerk

Community Present: Paul Mesmer, Gayle Winnen, Rudy Lalonde, and Karen Johnson of

Surfside Colony Community Services District

President Kriss called the meeting to order at 7:50 p.m.

<u>Community Input:</u> Discussion regarding the construction of the sand berm for the protection of the community's residences from ocean flooding ensued.

Review and Possible Approval of the October 16th, 2017 General Board Meeting Minutes: After the Board reviewed the October 16th, 2017 General Board Meeting Minutes, Secretary Garofalo moved for approval as presented. Trustee Rowe seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

<u>Current Bills</u>: Clerk Montana presented check #'s 1286-1288 in the amount of \$8,188.62 for November and December 2017 invoices for monthly drainage and erosion contract and administration expenses for review and signature. Checks were signed as submitted.

<u>Fund Balance and Clerk's Report:</u> Clerk Montana reported the fund balance as of December 4th, 2017 to be \$403,354, and reviewed the trial balance with the Board.

a. Report on LAFCO – Clerk Montana discussed the November 15th LAFCO Stakeholder meeting which was held to discuss the upcoming Municipal Services Review (MSR).

Review, Discussion and Possible Approval of Budget Policy: As a follow up to last month's meeting and correspondence sent to Surfside Colony, Ltd., the Clerk presented a draft of the Budget Preparation and Approval Policy for review. A motion was made and carried as follows:

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MOTION: Secretary Garofalo moved to approve the Budget Preparation and Approval Policy with any minor adjustments as necessary by Board members. Trustee Rowe seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

<u>Review and Discussion of Project Policy:</u> The need of a Project Policy for present and future projects was discussed. The Clerk was directed to draft a policy encompassing the new requirements to be presented for approval at next month's Board meeting.

<u>Drainage Projects/Sandfill Updates:</u> President Kriss discussed the October 31st meeting that he attended at the Surfside Colony office with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and other participants of the Surfside Sunset Stage 13 Beach Restoration Project, as outlined in the attached letter sent to Board members. In sum, sediment testing is scheduled for May 2018, with environmental assessment and agency reviews scheduled to be completed in June 2018. Advertising for the bidding of the project is scheduled for July 2018, and if the project adheres to schedule, the replenishment project should be completed by April 2019.

<u>Adjournment:</u> There being no further business to be brought before the Board, Trustee Rowe moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m. and the next meeting date was set for January 22, 2018. Trustee Viets seconded, and the meeting was unanimously adjourned.

V. John Kriss, President

Linda Garofalo, Secretary

Surfside Colony Storm Water Protection Tax District Surfside, Ca. 90743

November 1, 2017

Surfside Colony Board Of Directors Surfside, Ca. 90743

RE: Surfside Sunset Stage 13 Meeting

Dear Members of the Board.

On Tuesday, October 31, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers convened a meeting of the participants in the Surfside Sunset Stage 13 Beach Restoration Project at the Surfide Colony office. The meeting was conducted by Susan Ming, USACE, the project director, and Chuck Mesa, USACE coastal engineer. Participating were representatives from the California Division of Boating and Waterways, County of Orange, the cities of Seal Beach, Huntington Beach and Newport Beach, the State of California Life Guards, with Hank Viets and myself representing the Surfside Storm Water Tax District.

The purpose of the meeting was to inform the parties concerned regarding the status of the project and to invite inquiries from all involved. As it stands, the project has been funded by each participant and is scheduled to proceed. Currently, the approximate sand borrow site has been determined, in approximately the same area as the previous seven projects, but the sediment still needs to be tested and evaluated.

So, the sediment testing is scheduled to be performed and completed by May 18, 2018 with the environmental assessment and agency reviews finished by June 18. If all goes as planned the agency expects to be ready to advertise the project in the middle of July with the intent of opening the bids in August and awarding the contract mid-September 2018. If that schedule holds, the Corps then plans to issue the notice to proceed (NTP) in October with a completion expected by April 2019.

That all sounds great but Ms. Ming and Mr. Mesa also explained that Manson & Co. still possesses the only dredge on the west coast capable of performing this project and that they are already scheduled to perform three other projects for the Corps during that same period of time. I inquired about the likelihood of this schedule being met with the obvious conflicts and the two Corps members said that they believe it is possible and they are expecting it to be done.

One side note, Tom Herbel, the City Engineer for Huntington Beach, inquired about getting a portion of the sand placed on the beach in Huntington Beach, below the "bluffs" from Seapoint to the south. He stated that the bluffs are eroding to such an extent that the bike path on top may be destroyed within two to three years. Mr. Mesa told him that other arrangements would need to be made due to the inability of a dredge to pump sand from the expected borrow site all the way to that location. I mention this because of the recognition that changes or alterations may be requested for future beach restoration projects.

In the past, we have had delays in many of the restoration projects and I would suggest that there is a distinct possibility that this schedule might not hold as planned but at least we are underway. I have been assured that we will be informed regarding the progress of the project as it unfolds. At least, we now have a set schedule about which we can inquire.

Sincerely, John Kriss