BLOCK HOUSE MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS' SPECIAL MEETING

September 14, 2020

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COUNTY OF WILLIAMSON

A special meeting of the Board of Directors of Block House Municipal Utility District was held via telephone conference on September 14, 2020, at 1-888-510-5505; participant code: 199914. The meeting was open to the public and notice was given pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act, as modified by Governor Greg Abbott, and the related guidance from the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Texas. A copy of the Certificate of Posting of the Notice is attached as **Exhibit "A"**. An electronic agenda packet for the meeting was provided on-line via the link included in the meeting notice and the meeting was recorded and made available at the same link after the meeting.

All of the Directors were present, as follows:

Cecilia A. Roberts President Steve Bennett Vice President Rayan Horak Secretary

Ursula Logan **Assistant Secretary**

Byron Koenig Treasurer

Also present at the meeting were Jacquelyn Smith of Crossroads Utility Services, LLC ("Crossroads"); Taylor Kolmodin of Municipal Accounts and Consulting, L.P.; Linda Hubble of Public Finance Group LLC; Ronald Thurston, Martin Fitch, Julie Hiegert, David Shoemaker, and Jose Gonzales, residents of the District; and Sean Abbott of Armbrust & Brown, PLLC ("A&B").

Director Roberts called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and welcomed those present. She confirmed that the meeting was being conducted via telephone and was being recorded. She requested that each speaker identify themselves when speaking and requested that anyone participating in the call mute their phone when they were not speaking.

Director Roberts then stated that the Board would receive citizens' communications. Mr. Thurston addressed the Board regarding disc golf in Jumano Park. He stated that he had observed individuals clearing brush and mowing grass in Jumano Park. He further stated that he was opposed to disc golf in Jumano Park and supported moving disc golf back to Comanche Park. Mr. Thurston noted that the report from HouckDesigns made findings that a mirco course could be safely implemented in Comanche Park. He further noted that there were currently no parking or restroom facilities in Jumano Park in the proximity of the temporary disc golf course, and that he was concerned with traffic issues relating to disc golf in Jumano Park.

Ms. Hiegert stated that she was in favor of disc golf in the District but favors the previous location. She further stated that she was opposed to the proposed Jumano Park location. She stated that she had intentionally purchased her home so that she backed up to a greenbelt area. Ms. Hiegert confirmed that she would continue to monitor disc golf in Jumano Park and that she would continue to visit with her neighbors regarding the same.

Director Bennett then responded to the public comments regarding disc golf. He noted that the current project in Jumano Park was approved only to be a temporary solution and that the Board still needed to evaluate the location for permanent use.

Mr. Shoemaker asked the Board if they were taking comments relating to the levy of the 2020 tax rate at the current meeting. Director Roberts confirmed they were taking general comments, stated that the tax rate was not being levied at the current meeting, and noted that the tax rate would likely be levied at a special meeting on September 28, 2020. Mr. Shoemaker stated that he appreciated the clarification and would hold his comments until September 28, 2020.

Mr. Gonzales stated that his property backed up to the greenbelt in Jumano Park and that he was opposed to a disc golf course being located in Jumano Park.

Director Roberts then stated that the Board would next discuss the 2020/2021 budget and 2020 tax rate. Mr. Abbott stated that the Board would need to establish a proposed tax rate by record vote at this meeting, schedule a public hearing at which the adoption of the tax rate would be considered, and authorize publication of a notice of the public hearing on the tax rate. Ms. Hubble reminded the Board that they can always levy a tax that is lower than the published proposed tax rate. Director Logan stated that she was in favor of publishing the rate they intended to levy. After discussion, upon motion by Director Logan and second by Director Bennett, the Board voted to adopt a proposed tax rate of \$0.76 per \$100 assessed valuation, with \$0.2925 dedicated to debt service, \$0.3218 dedicated to operations and maintenance, and \$0.1457 dedicated to the Fire Tax, with Directors Roberts, Bennett, Horak, Logan, and Koenig all present and voting "yes".

Director Roberts then stated that the Board needed to schedule a public hearing at which the adoption of the tax rate would be considered. Upon motion by Director Bennett and second by Director Horak, the Board voted unanimously to schedule a public hearing on the tax rate for September 28, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. Director Roberts stated that the Board needed to authorize publication of the Water District Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Rate. Upon motion by Director Bennett and second by Director Horak, the Board voted unanimously to authorize Mr. Abbott to give notice of the public hearing on the tax rate in the Hill Country News.

Director Roberts stated that the Board would next discuss the Letter Agreement with Leander Independent School District ("<u>LISD</u>") for use of Apache Pool during the 2020-2021 swim season, attached as <u>Exhibit "B"</u>. Mr. Abbott stated that he had been in communication with K.B. DeBord, Assistant Athletic Director at LISD, and that all of the conditions in the Letter Agreement were derived from the contract between the parties or had been suggested by LISD. He noted that the Pools Subcommittee and Ms. Smith had all contributed to the agreement with LISD. After discussion, upon motion by Director Bennett and second by Director Roberts, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Letter Agreement and directed Mr. Abbott to coordinate execution with Mr. DeBord.

Director Roberts then reviewed the meeting notes attached as **Exhibit "D"**.

There being no further items to come before the Board, upon motion by Director Logan and second by Director Roberts, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

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[SIGNATURE PAGE TO SEPTEMBER 14, 2020 MINUTES]

Rayan Horak, Secretary Board of Directors

Date: _____10-28-20