MINUTES HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 71

September 29, 2011

The Board of Directors (the "Board") of Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 71 (the "District") met in special session, open to the public, on the 29th day of September, 2011, at the District Administration Building, 21437 Clay Road, Katy, Texas, inside the boundaries of the District, and the roll was called of the members of the Board:

Katrina Thornhill

President

Pam Kerr

Vice President

Mary DuBois

Secretary

Garth Freeze

Assistant Vice President

Phillip Smith, Ir.

Assistant Secretary

and all of the above were present, except Director Freeze, thus constituting a quorum.

Also present were Chris Browne of Edminster, Hinshaw, Russ & Associates, Inc. ("EHRA); Rodney Heisch of Brown & Gay Engineers, Inc.; Mary Jarmon of Myrtle Cruz, Inc.; Steve Woodring, Ginny Woodring, and Richard Miller of Regional Water Corporation; and Lynne Humphries of Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP ("ABHR").

Director Thornhill called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF DISTRICT WATER AND SANITARY SEWER FACILITIES, DETENTION PONDS, LAKES, PARKS, AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

The Board noted that Harris County has started construction of the new park on the six acres. Mr. Woodring reviewed a work order from Lake Pro, Inc., approved at the previous meeting, in the amount of \$1,485 to remove sediment and debris from the Bundy Lake monument basin.

Mr. Woodring stated that a 5-hp pump was determined to be the correct size to circulate water at the Bundy Lake monument.

Director Thornhill said she called Commissioner Radack's office and Harris County Flood Control District to request the clean out of the channel that the Morton Ranch detention ponds drain into. Mr. Heisch said the storm water permit for Morton Ranch Sections 1-4 was being submitted for renewal.

On the subject of maintenance of detention ponds, Ms. Humphries distributed copies of a letter from ABHR regarding storm water maintenance and said the District

should anticipate additional costs when the next permit phase is issued in September 2012. A copy of the letter from ABHR is attached.

Mr. Browne entered the meeting and updated the Board regarding the status of the construction of the Bundy Lake monument. He said he may have to change distributors for the LED lighting. He said the basin probably will need additional clean out due to tonight's rain. He said the monument completion will be delayed by approximately two weeks, so it should be finished in four weeks.

Mr. Browne updated the Board on investigation of options for the water recycling system at Directors Park.

Mr. Woodring presented a proposal from Bartlett Tree Experts for tree maintenance at Bundy Lake, a copy of which is attached.

Mr. Browne discussed landscaping at the wastewater treatment plant. He said EHRA is reviewing when the trees should be planted, given the drought. He said tree costs are rising. He suggested waiting until early 2012. In response to a question from Ms. Jarmon, Mr. Browne said landscaping installation at the wastewater treatment plant would likely cost approximately \$35,000. He reviewed the types of plants and trees to be planted along the road to help screen the plant.

<u>ADMINISTRATION BUILDING AND GAZEBO, INCLUDING RENTALS AND REPAIRS, AND SPLASH PAD</u>

There was no discussion on this agenda item.

AGENDA, ACTION LIST, AND MEETING SCHEDULE

The Board reviewed the updated Action List, a copy of which is attached. Mr. Browne distributed an estimate cost for the installation of landscaping at water plant no. 1 on Elrod Road, a copy of which is attached. Mr. Woodring presented a proposal from Greenway to install oleanders along the Elrod Road fence line in the amount of \$3,221.00 and a proposal from Astro Fence to install slats to the chain link fence in the amount of \$3,470. Mr. Heisch said it cost about \$2,500 to put a concrete containment short wall around the sodium hypochlorite tanks at water plant no. 1. The Board discussed their thoughts on the options presented.

BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR END SEPTEMBER 30, 2012

The Board then reviewed the revised budget for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012 and discussed funds available for special projects and reserve available for future system repairs. Mr. Heisch reviewed the capital improvements projects for the next 10 years. The Board determined to add capital repairs for recreational facilities and the Administration Building. Following review and

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discussion, Director Thornhill moved to adopt the budget for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012. Director DuBois seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

REVIEW AND AMEND PARK RULES

There was no discussion on this agenda item.

The Board reviewed and updated the draft agenda for the October 10, 2011, regular meeting at 6:00 p.m. and agreed to hold a special meeting on October 27, 2011, at 7:00 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Director Thornhill moved to adjourn the meeting. Director DuBois seconded the motion, which passed unanimously, whereupon the meeting was adjourned.

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Secretary, Board of Directors

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