November 3, 2025 Regular

## SUNNYSIDE VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The regular meeting of the Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District (SVID) was held in-person and via conference call and was called to order by Chairman Simpson on November 3, 2025, at 2:00 PM. Present in addition to Chairman Simpson was Director Kevin Golob, Paul Groeneweg and Markus Rollinger; David Felman, SVID Manager/Secretary/Treasurer, Ron Cowin, Assistant Manager-Engineering, Dave Bos, Assistant Manager-Operations, and Nikki Musson, SVID Deputy Treasurer/Office Manager. Director Mike Hogue and Norman Semanko, Legal Counsel for the Sunnyside Valley Irrigation District participated via phone.

The minutes of the October 7, 2025, Board Meeting were reviewed. Upon a motion by Director Golob, that was seconded and unanimously carried, the minutes were approved as written.

Staff asked the Board to set the date for the Equalization Hearing. Upon a motion by Director Golob that was seconded and unanimously carried, the Board of Equalization Hearing was set for 2:00 PM on Monday, December 8, 2025.

Ms. Musson presented the vouchers. The Status of Funds listed investments and other funds totaling \$14,028,807. Vouchers numbered 87573-87756 in the amount of \$423,486.21 and electronic payments in the amount of \$253,079.31 were submitted for approval. Ms. Musson presented a graph showing current funds compared to historical levels. Upon a motion by Director Rollinger, which was seconded and unanimously carried, the Board approved and authorized payment of the vouchers as listed above.

Ms. Musson provided an update on foreclosures. As of November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7 parcels are in the foreclosure process.

Ms. Musson informed the board of a recent check-fraud incident involving Webex. A vendor payment was intercepted and the payee name was altered before being deposited into a private account. Although the District uses Positive Pay, which should have detected the issue, the bank has refunded the District's account and is conducting an investigation. In accordance with state guidelines, staff have notified the State Auditor's Office and the Attorney General's office of the incident.

Ms. Musson updated the Board on current IT projects. The Square 9 upgrade kickoff meeting was held on October 27<sup>th</sup>. This upgrade will allow for compatibility with Microsoft 365.

Mr. Cowin provided the Board with an update on recent canal gate inspections. Inspections of canal gates are ongoing, and early results indicate that the hinges and arm stirrups on the mild steel gates are in good condition.

Mr. Bos updated the Board on field operations. Crews are performing winter maintenance such as dewatering, beat repair, equipment maintenance, and building components for various projects. ELIPS piping is underway.

Mr. Felman provided the Board with an update on the SVID storage building insurance claim. To date, SVID has received approximately \$950,000 from CIAW. The remaining balance owed through the claim is approximately \$50,000, which will cover outstanding losses to both inventory and the structure itself. Staff have begun preparing a Request for Statement of Qualifications from architectural firms to initiate design of the new structure.

In other business, the Board rescheduled the December SVID Board meeting to December 8, 2025, due to a conflict with the WSWRA Annual Conference.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:25 PM.

David Felman, Secretary

Attest:

G. Doug Simpson, Chairman