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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

Work Session

Tuesday, January 6, 2026

Classic Club

75-200 Classic Club Blvd.

Orion Conference Room

Palm Desert, CA 92211

Division 1—Alex Cardenas
Division 2—JB Hamby, *Vice Chairman*
Division 3—Gina Dockstader
Division 4—Lewis Pacheco
Division 5—Karin Eugenio, *Chairwoman*

Jamie L. Asbury, *General Manager*
Wayne K. Strumpfer, *General Counsel*
Raquel Najera, *Secretary to the Board*

CALL TO ORDER— 1:01 p.m.

All directors were present at the off-site board meeting held at the Classic Club in Palm Desert.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

CONVENE CLOSED SESSION— 1:02 p.m.

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL — ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
(Cal. Gov. Code sec. 54956.9(d)(2) & (e)(1)).
(4 cases)

The closed session adjourned at 2:25 p.m., and the Board then took a break.

RECONVENE REGULAR SESSION— 2:43 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

REPORT ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION, IF ANY

General Counsel Wayne Strumpf reported that the Board voted 4-1 on a litigation matter, with Director Cardenas voting no.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Director Cardenas, seconded by Vice Chairman Hamby, that the board approve the agenda as presented.

Motion carried, 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

CONSENT

Moved by Director Cardenas, seconded by Vice Chairman Hamby, that the board approve the consent agenda as presented (Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4).

Motion carried 5-0.

1. Approval of minutes:
 - December 2, 2025, regular/business session
2. Adopt Resolution authorizing officers to execute documents on behalf of IID
The adoption of Resolution 1-2026, which designates officers to execute documents on IID's behalf for the calendar year 2026.
3. Adopt Resolution adopting the Vega 6 Project Final Environmental Impact Report for the Ramon Substation Expansion
The adoption of Resolution 2-2026 accepts the findings and applicable mitigation measures from the Final Environmental Impact Report in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act. Furthermore, it directs staff to file a Notice of Determination with the Imperial County Clerk and the State Clearinghouse.
4. Adopt Resolution electing the IID Financing Corporation – Election of Board of Directors/Officers for 2026
The adoption of Resolution 2026-1 elects the IID Financing Corporation's Board of Directors and appoints its officers for the year 2026.

CONSENT ITEMS ADDED TO ACTION AGENDA

None.

ACTION

None.

POLICY MONITORING

5. BL-1: Unity of Control

Vice Chairman Hamby introduced the discussion of Policy BL-1, which states, "Only decisions made by the Board as a whole are binding on the General Manager, the General Counsel, and the Internal Auditor." He noted that the monitoring method for this policy is conducted annually. Based on an assessment of the Board's practices, the results indicate improvement.

Moved by Vice Chairman Hamby, seconded by Director Dockstader, that the board accept the policy monitoring report and find that the District is substantially in compliance with Board Policy BL-1: *Unity of Control*.

Motion carried, 5-0.

After a brief discussion of Policy BL-1, the survey results, "Assessing Board Practices," were reviewed. The survey comprised statements about five habits that evaluated Board practices and included comparisons across 2023, 2024, and January–June 2025. The December 2025 results showed a 100 percent response rate from both the Board and management. This was followed by comments and input from the Board.

REPORTS

6. Board of Directors

The Board reviewed the list of current external appointments and local agency two-on-two appointments to determine whether the appointees wish to continue in their current roles or request any changes. The reassessment will be discussed and approved at the regular board meeting/work session in February 2026.

The Board took a recess

WORK SESSION

7. Review Board of Directors 2026 Annual Work Plan

Vice Chairman Hamby reviewed the updated draft of the 2026 Annual Work Plan. He reviewed the Policy Monitoring Schedule, the Miscellaneous Activities Schedule, the Biennial Budget and Strategic Planning Schedule (BL-8), the Parking Lot items, and the Board Goals for 2025 and 2026. He also discussed the 2026 Rolling 12-Month Work Session Calendar. Following the discussion, a list of water and power matters will be added to the 2026 Board Goals.

ADJOURNMENT— 4:43 p.m.

The off-site board meeting/work session was not livestreamed.