# VISTA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT MINUTES of Meeting Held Wednesday, September 8, 2021

The monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Vista Fire Protection District was called to order at Vista Fire Station No. 5, located at 2009 South Melrose Dr., Vista, CA 92081 by the presiding President, Robert Fougner, at 6:00 P.M.

| Directors Present: | Mr. Robert Fougner, President<br>Mr. James Elliott, Vice President<br>Mr. Read Miller, Director<br>Mr. John Ploetz, Director |
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| Directors Absent:  | Mr. Daniel Gomez, Director   |

Staff Present: Chief, Ned Vander Pol, Deputy Fire Chief, Craig Usher, Fire Inspector, Jeremy-Nichols, Board Clerk, Christie Ross, Legal Counsel, Fred Pfister, Esq., Board Treasurer, Jeff Golden

# I. ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

## II. APPROVAL OF THIS MEETING'S AGENDA

On motion made by Director Ploetz and duly seconded by Director Elliott, the Directors unanimously approved the published agenda.

#### III. OPEN DISCUSSION WITH THE BOARD

The Board invited District Residents and others in attendance to address the Board on any matter of public concern related to the District's business.

#### IV. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

On a motion made by Director Miller and duly seconded by Director Ploetz, the Minutes for the regular monthly meeting held August 11, 2021, were approved by the Directors as presented.

# V. FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- A. <u>District Fire Inspector's Report</u>. Fire Inspector, Jeremy Nichols provided results of activities in August including parcel inspections for weed abatement, the District's emergency access roads, and proposed activities for September.
- B. <u>Fire Marshalls Report</u>. Deputy Fire Chief Craig Usher discussed pending and approved projects for properties located within the District.
- C. <u>Fire Department Performance Report</u>. Fire Chief Ned Vander Pol reported on performance by the City of Vista's Fire Department during August 2021.
- D. <u>Fire Chief's Update</u>. Fire Chief Ned Vander Pol reported on matters of interest to the Department and the District.

#### VI. OFFICERS' REPORTS

- A. <u>Accounts Payable</u>. The treasurer presented for approval the District's Accounts Payable for the month of August 2021. On motion made by Director Elliott, and duly seconded by Director Ploetz, the Directors present approved the payments as listed in the amount of \$27,217.14 for the month of August.
- B. <u>Portfolio Summary/District Investments</u>. The Board reviewed the Treasurer's Report on the District Investments as of August 31, 2021.
- C. <u>Fire Mitigation Funds</u>. The Treasurer provided an update on the fund balances based on the County's quarterly report.
- D. Legal Affairs. District Counsel reported on the status of pending matters.

#### VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. <u>Fuel Modification</u>. The Subcommittee reported on the status of the Anchor Point study.
- B. <u>Panoramic Property</u>. The Subcommittee on Panoramic reported on the status of the District's invitations for disposition of its surplus property.
- C. <u>Redevelopment Of Fire Station No. 3</u>. The Subcommittee reported on the status of discussions concerning redevelopment of Station No. 3, followed by extended discussion among the Directors concerning the merits and objections to funding this project with District reserves. President Fougner noted a number of issues raised by the Board including disagreement with the City's contention that the City's obligation to staff a District fire station will be foreclosed by rebuilding Station No. 3 in the City, the concern about investing a large portion of the Districts reserves in this project, and the need to assure that redevelopment of the station provides significant benefit to District residents. President Fougner and Director Elliott will take the Board's input, meet with the City, and report back to the Board at the next meeting.

#### VIII. SPECIAL MATTERS DESIGNATED FOR CONSIDERATION

A. None Scheduled

# IX. CONTINUING BUSINESS

- A. <u>Emergency Access Roads</u>. Director Ploetz provided an update on the status of the Emergency Access Roads.
- B. <u>District Administrative Manager</u>. Director Elliott reported on the status of recruiting efforts for a District Administrative Manager.

# X. NEW BUSINESS

A. None scheduled

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## XI. DIRECTORS' ANNOUNCEMENTS & WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

Directors were invited to make announcements and share written communications.

#### XII. MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Director Miller and duly seconded by Director Elliott, the meeting was adjourned at 8:22 PM.

Copy of the Agenda and the Board Package of Meeting Materials Are Available On The District Web Site: <u>www.vistafireprotectiondistrict.org</u> or by contacting the Office of the Clerk of the Board 955 Vale Terrace Drive, Ste. A, Vista, CA 92084, 760-758-3815