

HEBER PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

1078 Dogwood Rd., Suite 104
Heber, CA 92249

Minutes

Thursday, January 15, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting Was Called to Order at 6:00pm
2. **ROLL CALL:** All Those Present Included: President Pompeyo Tabarez, Vice President Delfino Matus, Director Helen Diaz-Molina, Director Tony Sandoval, General Counsel Steve Walker, General Manager Madeline Dessert, Finance Manager Luis Carrazco, Clerk of the Board Jacob Bermudez
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** President Tabarez Led the Pledge of Allegiance
4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Director Sandoval Motioned to Approve the Agenda. Director Diaz-Molina Seconded the Motion. Motion Approved. AYES: 4 – President Tabarez, Vice President Matus, Director Diaz-Molina, Director Sandoval / NOES: 0
5. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** No Public Comments Were Received
6. **NEW BUSINESS: Discussion and Possible Action**
 - A. Accept the Independent Auditor’s Report in Reference to Fiscal Year 2024-2025 - Nigro & Nigro PC
Director Sandoval Motioned to Accept the Independent Auditor’s Report in Reference to Fiscal year 2024-2025. Director Diaz-Molina Seconded the Motion. Motion Approved. AYES: 4 – President Tabarez, Vice President Matus, Director Diaz-Molina, Director Sandoval / NOES: 0
7. **CONSENT AGENDA:** Director Sandoval Motioned to Approve Consent Agenda Items 7.A and 7.B and Pull Item 7.C for Discussion. Vice President Matus Seconded the Motion. Motion Approved. AYES: 4 – President Tabarez, Vice President Matus, Director Diaz-Molina, Director Sandoval / NOES: 0
 - A. Approval of the Minutes for the Regular Meeting on December 18, 2025
 - B. Approval of Current Demands for December 2025
 - C. Agreement with LT Municipal Consultants for Water and Sanitary Sewer Rate Study – Item Pulled for Discussion by Director Sandoval.
8. **REPORTS:**
 - A. President and Director’s Comments – No Reports
 - B. Operations Report for December 2025 – Reported with no Additions
 - C. General Manager’s Report – Reported with no Additions
 - D. Grants Update – Reported with No Additions

9. NEW BUSINESS: Discussion and Possible Action

- A. Appointment of a Member of the Public to Serve on the Heber Public Utility District Board of Directors to Serve the unexpired term Ending December 2026 –

Vice President Matus Motioned to Appoint Sarah Curry to Serve on the Heber Public Utility District Board of Directors to Serve the Unexpired Term Ending December 2026. Director Sandoval Seconded the Motion. Motion Failed for Lack of Unanimous Vote. AYES: 2 – Vice President Matus, Director Sandoval / NOES: 2 – President Tabarez, Director Diaz-Molina

Director Diaz-Molina Motioned to Appoint Anthony Godinez to Serve on the Heber Public Utility District Board of Directors to Serve the Unexpired Term Ending December 2026. President Tabarez Seconded the Motion. Motion Failed for Lack of Unanimous Vote. AYES: 2 – President Tabarez, Director Diaz-Molina / NOES: 2 – Vice President Matus, Director Sandoval

Director Diaz-Molina Motioned to Appoint Samuel Figueroa to Serve on the Heber Public Utility District Board of Directors to Serve the Unexpired Term Ending December 2026. President Tabarez Seconded the Motion. Motion Failed for Lack of Unanimous Vote. AYES: 2 – President Tabarez, Director Diaz-Molina / NOES: 2 – Vice President Matus, Director Sandoval

Director Diaz-Molina Motioned to Appoint Richard Silva to Serve on the Heber Public Utility District Board of Directors to Serve the Unexpired Term Ending December 2026. President Tabarez Seconded the Motion. Motion Failed for Lack of Unanimous Vote. AYES: 2 – President Tabarez, Director Diaz-Molina / NOES: 2 – Vice President Matus, Director Sandoval

President Tabarez Motioned to Appoint Sarah Curry to Serve on the Heber Public Utility District Board of Directors to Serve the Unexpired Term Ending December 2026. Director Sandoval Seconded the Motion. Motion Approved, AYES: 3 – President Tabarez, Vice President Matus, Director Sandoval / NOES: 1 – Director Diaz-Molina

- B. Information Only: Presentation on Correll Park – Board Expressed their Interest Towards Option Number Three (3).
- C. Information Only: Second Quarter Budget Review – Presented with no Additions
- D. Information Only: LAIF Update – To be Presented at the February Meeting
- E. Facility Use Policy and Liability Coverage Requirements Policy Number 3750 – Item was Tabled for February’s Meeting
- F. Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance Number 2025-21 Prohibiting the Operation of Motorized Vehicles in HPUD Parks and Recreation Facilities – Vice President Matus Motioned to Adopt Ordinance Number 2025-21 Prohibiting the Operation of Motorized Vehicles in HPUD Park and Recreation Facilities. Director Sandoval Seconded the Motion. Motion Approved. AYES: 4 – President Tabarez, Vice President Matus, Director Diaz-Molina, Director Sandoval / NOES: 0

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- HPUD Office will be Closed Monday, January 19, 2026 for Martin Luther King Jr.

11. CLOSED SESSION: Director Diaz-Molina Motioned to Enter Closed Session at 7:11pm. Vice President Matus Seconded the Motion. Motion Approved. AYES: 4 – President Tabarez, Vice President Matus, Director Diaz-Molina, Director Sandoval / NOES: 0

To ensure privacy during Closed Session, we will observe the following procedures:

- The Board President will enter Closed Session. Members of the public will exit the boardroom.

A. Potential Litigation (Government Code § 54956.9(d) one matter – General Manager

No Reportable Action Taken. Direction Given to Staff.

Board Exited Closed Session at 7:23pm

12. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting Adjourned at 7:24pm.