

## **Item 5.1**

### **REGULAR BOARD MINUTES SOUTH PLACER MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT**

**MEETING DATE & TIME:** May 7, 2026 at 4:30 PM

**MEETING LOCATION:** SPMUD Boardroom

#### **I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

A Regular Meeting of the South Placer Municipal Utility District Board of Directors was called to order with President Dickinson presiding at 4:30 p.m.

#### **II. ROLL CALL OF DIRECTORS**

**Present:** Director Jerry Mitchell, Director Will Dickinson, Director Christy Jewell,  
Director Michael Faria, and Director Jack Arney

**Absent:** None

**Vacant:** None

**Staff:** Adam Brown, Legal Counsel  
Eric Nielsen, General Manager  
Emilie Costan, Administrative Services Manager  
Chad Stites, Superintendent  
Carie Huff, District Engineer

#### **III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Director Faria led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

It was confirmed that no eComments were received. Hearing no other comments, the public comments session was closed.

#### **V. CONSENT ITEMS**

1. MINUTES from the April 2, 2026, Regular Meeting.
2. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE in the amount of \$5,989,239 through April 27, 2026.
3. QUARTERLY INVESTMENT REPORT in the total amount of \$96,380,871 through March 31, 2026
4. RESOLUTION 26-16 A RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTH PLACER MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT, DECLARING AN ELECTION TO BE HELD IN ITS JURISDICTION; REQUESTING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO CONSOLIDATE THIS ELECTION WITH ANY OTHER ELECTION CONDUCTED ON SAID DATE; AND REQUESTING ELECTION SERVICES BY THE COUNTY CLERK

5. RESOLUTION 26-17 ADOPTING A BENEFITS RESOLUTION COVERING UNREPRESENTED DISTRICT EMPLOYEES
6. RESOLUTION 26-18 AUTHORIZATION FOR THE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR ROOT CONTROL FOAMING WITH DUKE'S ROOT CONTROL INC.
7. RESOLUTION 26-19 AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE A SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR LABOR NEGOTIATIONS AND LEGAL SERVICES WITH LIEBERT, CASSIDY, WHITMORE (LCW)
8. RESOLUTION 26-20 AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR IT SUPPORT SERVICES WITH NETWORK DESIGN ASSOCIATES, INC. (NDA)
9. RESOLUTION 26-21 AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR FLEET MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR SERVICES WITH WYJO SERVICES CORP.
10. RESOLUTION 26-22 CONSTRUCTION COOPERATION AND REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF ROCKLIN FOR THE BLUFFS PHASE II PAVEMENT REHABILITATION PROJECT

Director Jewell made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar, a second was made by Director Faria; a roll call vote was taken, and the motion carried 5-0.

## **VI. BOARD BUSINESS**

### **1. CALIFORNIA SPECIAL DISTRICT ASSOCIATION (CSDA) LEGISLATIVE UPDATES**

Dane Wadlé, California Special District Association Public Affairs Field Coordinator, presented a legislative update on current issues facing California Special Districts. He shared information on CSDA's opposition against Artificial Intelligence (AI) Bills AB1898 and AB2027, which place restrictions on Special Districts and the use of technology for efficiency of operations. He also provided updates on CSDA's advocacy for exemption language covering emergency vehicles in the California Air Resources Board's Advanced Clean Fleet Regulations, and national Special District advocacy on HR2766 to define Special Districts into federal law, which would support eligibility for grants and other federal funding.

Director Mitchell commented on the District's efforts to transition to Zero-Emission Vehicles and the challenges and concerns the District faces in complying with regulations.

No public comments were received. No action was taken; this was an informational item.

### **2. PROGRESS REPORT ON POTENTIAL REVISIONS TO THE DISTRICT CAPACITY CHARGE**

General Manager Nielsen provided information, an analysis, and proposed next steps regarding multiple items that have been considered for potential updates to the District's Local Capacity Charge. The considerations reviewed were A1: Evaluate SECAP Assumptions, A2: Exclude

Certain Projects from SECAP, B1: MFR & Age-Restricted EDUs, B2: Fixture Unit / Bathroom & Kitchen Counts, B3: Square Footage, C1: Differentiate Infill vs. Expansion, C2: Differentiate Charges by Sewer Shed, D1: Use Unrestricted Revenue to Offset Charges, and E1: Base on Water Consumption.

Public comment was received from Jeff Short with the Northern California Building Industry Association (BIA). Mr. Short asked staff to keep an open mind regarding options A2 and D1, and the potential impact they could have on future development. He agreed with staff on further pursuing options A1, B1, and B2.

Public comment was received from Ken Broadway, a Rocklin resident and Rocklin City Council Member. Mr. Broadway agreed with staff on further pursuing option A1. He encouraged staff to be open to looking internally at assumptions, further examining data in a meaningful way, and exploring long-term benefits that could come from changes.

The Board discussed EDU transfers for business owners, advantages and challenges presented by the various scenarios, opportunities for education, the importance of potential changes being equitable, and the utilization of other available data sources, such as water usage, to support making potential changes. President Dickinson suggested an additional Fee & Finance Advisory Committee to continue with progress on this item.

No action was taken.

### **3. HEADQUARTERS SPACE PLANNING OVERVIEW**

DS Stites provided an overview of the Headquarters Space Planning Project, including initial cost estimates and general project scope.

Vice President Mitchell asked about timing and the impact on operations. DS Stites provided information on potential options for staff working in the building and the challenge of keeping the public counter open.

President Dickinson asked about how the cost of this project is being evaluated and budgeted. GM Nielsen shared that staff are evaluating the project costs against the District's rate model. GM Nielsen and ASM Costan spoke about the potential for this project to be funded out of Fund 100 and Fund 400, as there is some renewal to the existing facilities. Previous projects addressed the maintenance building and lobby security; this project is expected to improve and update the remaining spaces in the headquarters building.

No public comments were received. No action was taken; this was an informational item.

## **VII. REPORTS**

### **DISTRICT LEGAL COUNSEL (A. BROWN):**

GC Brown had no report for this meeting.

## **GENERAL MANAGER & DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

Vice President Mitchell asked about the SCADA project and connectivity. DS Stites shared that the new SCADA system will allow for mobile connectivity.

Vice President Mitchell asked DE Huff for an update on the meeting with the City of Rocklin regarding the use of the District's access road through a new development project. DE Huff shared that it was primarily related to the use of the access road by the Fire Department and how best to limit access to other vehicles. DE Huff shared that the road would allow for pedestrian access.

President Dickison asked about the PCWA/Newcastle Project. DE Huff provided a detailed update on the extra excavation needed and the groundwater's impact on the design.

## **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

No informational items were presented.

## **VIII. DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS**

Vice President Mitchell commended staff on the efforts made towards updating capacity charges.

Director Jewell asked about progress made on the Strategic Communications Plan. ASM Costan shared that the implementation has been delayed and is anticipated to resume next fiscal year. Director Jewell also asked for date options for the July board meeting.

Director Faria acknowledged staff progress on the capacity charges and for going 9.7 years without a Lost Time Accident.

## **IX. ADJOURNMENT**

The President adjourned the meeting at 6:36 p.m. to the next regular meeting to be held on June 4, 2026, at 4:30 p.m.



Emilie Costan, Board Secretary