## MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS SOUTHERN METROPOLITAN DISTRICT

## HELD AUGUST 22, 2023

The special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Southern Metropolitan District was held on Wednesday, August 22, 2023, at 12:00 noon. The Board of Directors met at the regular meeting location, Wild Basil, 8247 South Holly Street, Centennial, Colorado. The meeting was called to order by the Chair of the District, Ed Quinn.

ATTENDANCE	Directors in Attendance:
	Robert D. Colwell
	Edward Quinn
	Kirk Bast
	Sherry Kroeger
	Leonard West
	Also in Attendance:
	Micki L. Mills of Cockrel Ela Glesne Greher & Ruhland, P.C.
	Lisa Tussing of Balanced Bookkeeping Services, LLC
<u>Minutes</u>	The Board reviewed the minutes of the July 19, 2023 meeting of the Board of Directors. Director West requested that the word "questioned" under the discussions of the District Contracts and District Investments be amended to "inquired". Upon discussion and motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the minutes of such meeting were approved, as amended.
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<u>Operations</u>	In order to educate the newly elected Board member, Director West, the Board reviewed the District services, budget preparation process and maintenance issues.
	Director West indicated that the Civic Association has requested that the District consider maintaining the sign and pulling the weeds around the sign at the entryway on Otero Avenue and Phillips Drive,

which property is owned by the South Suburban Park and Recreation District ("South Suburban"). The District does not maintain this entryway. The Board discussed the possibility of organizing a community clean-up day for the area in lieu of the District taking on the responsibility and costs of maintaining the area on a regular basis. The Board discussed the potential need to xeriscape around the sign to alleviate the weed growth. Director West indicated that South Suburban would enter into a License Agreement with the District to maintain the area. Ms. Mills advised that the District would incur legal expenses to prepare and/or review any License Agreement that the District would enter into. Director West will contact South Suburban to obtain their License Agreement and discuss with the Civic Association on sharing the cost of such maintenance. KB Landscaping will need to be requested to provide a proposal for the costs of maintenance.

## MAINTENANCE



Chair Quinn reported that the City of Centennial contacted him regarding some vegetation obstructions and a brick monument pillar that are negatively impacting site distance for proper safety along Colorado Boulevard. The City requested the District trim the vegetation and wanted permission for the City to remove the brick pillar. The brick pillar is not required and would benefit the District to have it removed. Chair Quinn will contact KB Landscaping to have the vegetation trimmed and contact the City to give them permission to remove the brick pillar.

## 2024 BUDGET

The Board discussed the preparation of the draft 2024 Budget. Ms. Tussing will provide a draft budget to the Board prior to the October 15<sup>th</sup> deadline. Ms. Mills indicated once she receives the preliminary Certification of Valuation she will calculate the property tax revenue for a 3.5 mill levy rate and a one mill reduction to 2.5 mill levy rate, and provide to the Board. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u> There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Mich: Mills

Secretary for the Meeting

MINUTES APPROVED:

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