

MINUTES
 Workshop Meeting
 Laguna Madre Water District
 Board of Directors
 Wednesday, September 7, 2022
 5:54 PM – 6:57 PM
 Board Room

1	<p><u>QUORUM</u></p> <p>Chairman, Scott Friedman Vice-Chairman, Adam Lalonde Director, William Donahue</p> <p><u>ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF:</u> General Manager, Carlos J. Galvan, Jr. Director of Operations, Robert Gomez District Engineer, Charles Ortiz Purchasing Agent, Enrique Samaniego Director of Finance, Eddie Salazar Information Tech Specialist, Brandon Edge</p> <p><u>ABSENT:</u> Secretary, Jason Starkey Director, David Boughter</p>	
2	<p><u>INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE</u></p> <p>The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance and an Opening Prayer by C. Ortiz.</p>	
3	<p><u>DISCUSS THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 AND SEAWATER DESALINATION</u></p> <p><u>DISCUSSION:</u></p> <p>The Board reviewed the proposal for the Budget-</p> <p>The Proposal amount of \$13,728,287 includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Five new positions ▪ 8 % Cost of living adjustment ▪ 4 Trucks for 4 Departments ▪ 3 Lift Station Pumps ▪ Tank Trailer ▪ Capital Outlay projects ▪ 10% rate increase <p>A second proposal was presented at the meeting -</p> <p>Printed copies of the second proposal were handed out during the session and attached to the minutes</p> <p>The second proposal amount was \$12,671,852 and included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 2 Lift Station Pumps ▪ Reduced Capital Outlay Projects ▪ Reduced Chemicals ▪ 5% Cost of living adjustment 	<p>WORKSHOP MEETING DISCUSSION ITEM ONLY</p>

	<p>The Board agreed to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A reduced Cost of living adjustment from 5% to 2.5% ▪ A rate increase of 8% ▪ For staff to work on and select the essential needs of each department <p>Seawater and Desalination topics discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ No third party, possibly do a desalination plant on our own ▪ Possible interest in Desalination with Seven Seas ▪ Blending reuse wastewater effluent with a desalination plant 	
4	<p><u>ADJOURNMENT</u></p> <p>The CHAIRMAN adjourned the meeting at 6:57 PM.</p>	<p>MEETING ADJOURNED @ 6:57 PM</p>



SCOTT FRIEDMAN, CHAIRMAN



JASON STARKEY, SECRETARY

MINUTES APPROVED THIS 14TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2022.