

MINUTES
 Workshop Meeting
 Laguna Madre Water District
 Board of Directors
 Wednesday, November 1, 2023
 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM
 Board Room



1	<p><u>QUORUM</u> Adam Lalonde, Vice-Chairman William "Bill" Donahue, Director Dave Boughter, Director</p> <p><u>ABSENT</u> Scott Friedman, Chairman Jason Starkey, Secretary</p> <p><u>ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF</u> Carlos J. Galvan, Jr., General Manager Robert Gomez, Director of Operations Charles Ortiz, District Engineer Eduardo Salazar, Director of Finance Enrique Samaniego, Purchasing Agent Brandon Edge, Information Tech Specialist Santiago Ochoa, IV, Superintendent of Wastewater Noe Cantu, Superintendent of Water</p>	
2	<p><u>Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation.</u></p> <p>The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance, and E. Salazar said the Opening Prayer.</p>	
3	<p><u>Presentation by Garver, LLC for Design of Facility Rehabilitation and Upgrades at the Isla Blanca Wastewater Treatment Plant</u></p> <p>Comments: Garver presented the Conceptual Design Report for Isla Blanca Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) Rehabilitation to explain the following proposed facility improvements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Headworks (Screening, Grit Removal) • Return Activated Sludge (RAS) System • Clarifier No. 3 • Electrical System • Effluent Discharge System • Stormwater System Drainage and Outfall • Solids Dewatering, and • Ultraviolet Light (UV) Conversion from Chlorine Gas for Disinfection <p>The design for the presentation is considered 10% complete. Estimated Opinion of Probable Construction Cost for the above-stated improvements is \$19.3 million. Tax Bond is the only viable funding method available to the District at this time (versus revenue notes). District staff should follow up with wastewater system improvements for both South Padre Island and Port Isabel/Laguna Vista to consider a bond election, including Reclaimed Water. We will need to discuss with Bond Counsel to determine the timing of a possible election.</p>	DISCUSSION ONLY

	The workshop continued with attendees viewing proposed improvements for Isla Blanca WWTP in Virtual Reality. Garver provided three workstations for this part of the workshop.	
4	<u>Adjournment</u> There was no further business; the meeting was adjourned.	MEETING ADJOURNED @ 5:00 PM



ADAM LALONDE - VICE-CHAIRMAN




JASON STARKEY, SECRETARY

MINUTES APPROVED THIS 13TH DAY OF DECEMBER 2023.