

**MINUTES FOR THE JUNE 7, 2022
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE SSJID BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The Board of Directors of the South San Joaquin Irrigation District met in special session at the District Boardroom at 1:00 p.m. President Holmes called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m., and led the flag salute. Upon roll-call the following members were noted present:

DIRECTORS: HOLMES KAMPER SPYKSMA WESTSTEYN
ABSENT: HOLBROOK

Also present were General Manager Peter M. Rietkerk; General Counsel Mia Brown; Water Resources Coordinator Brandon Nakagawa; and Clerk of the Board Danielle Barney.

Mr. Peter Rietkerk, SSJID General Manager, noted a handout that had been placed on the Directors' tables which listed upcoming community events including RSVP deadlines. Directors interested in attending and/or participating in any of the listed items should contact Ms. Katie Patterson, SSJID Public and Government Relations Manager.

Public Comment – None

ACTION CALENDAR

Director Holmes announced that agenda Item #1 would be taken up following Closed Session.

It was announced that all items listed in the Closed Session agenda would be discussed. The Board convened to Closed Session at 1:07 p.m.

Item #2 – CLOSED SESSION

2. a. Conference with Real Property Negotiator
California Government Code Section 54956.8
Property: Water
Negotiating Parties: Mountain House Community Services District
District Negotiator: General Manager
Under Negotiation: Price and terms of payment of sale

- b. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
Possible initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of Subdivision (d) of
Government Code Section 54956.9
- 1 case

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened to open session at 2:01 p.m.

Disclosure of reportable actions taken in Closed Session, pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.1:
There were no reportable actions taken in closed-session.

Item #1 – Consider Adoption of Resolution 22-19-W Approving the Water Transfer Agreement By and Between SSJID and Mountain House Community Services District

MOTION: A motion was made by Director Kamper and seconded by Director Spyksma to adopt Resolution 22-19-W Approving the Water Transfer Agreement By and Between SSJID and Mountain House Community Services District.

**SOUTH SAN JOAQUIN IRRIGATION DISTRICT
RESOLUTION 22-19-W**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING A WATER TRANSFER AGREEMENT
BY AND BETWEEN SOUTH SAN JOAQUIN IRRIGATION DISTRICT AND
MOUNTAIN HOUSE COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, the South San Joaquin Irrigation District (“SSJID”) is a California irrigation district operating under and by virtue of Division 11 of the California Water Code; and

WHEREAS, the Mountain House Community Services District is a California community services district governed by Division 3 of Title 6 of the California Government Code and a legal subdivision of the State of California; and

WHEREAS, the Mountain House Community Services District has declared a Stage 3 Water Shortage Emergency and has determined that due to ongoing and severe drought conditions, water supplies are projected to be inadequate to meet the community’s health and safety needs; and

WHEREAS, SSJID is co-owner of certain water rights on the Stanislaus River, including pre-1914 and post-1914 appropriative rights; and

WHEREAS, SSJID’s historic and ongoing use of Stanislaus River delivered through its conveyance, storage, and delivery facilities contributes significant recharge to the Eastern San Joaquin Subbasin and enables groundwater supplies within SSJID to remain healthy; and

WHEREAS, SSJID owns and operates a number of groundwater wells to supplement surface water supplies and to lower the groundwater table in areas of the District where the high groundwater table negatively impacts crop production; and

WHEREAS, the SSJID Board of Directors has determined that groundwater surplus to current District demands is available for transfer to Mountain House Community Services District; and

WHEREAS, the proposed transfer (Project) would utilize existing drainage, water conveyance and diversion infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, Mountain House will serve as the lead agency for purposes of compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the South San Joaquin Irrigation District Board of Directors does hereby approve a water transfer agreement with the Mountain House Community Services District and authorizes the General Manager to sign the agreement upon negotiation of final terms as directed by this Board of Directors.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 7th day of June 2022 by the following vote:

AYES:	HOLMES KAMPER SPYKSMA WESTSTEYN
NOES:	NONE
ABSTAIN:	NONE
ABSENT:	HOLBROOK

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 2:02 p.m.

ATTEST:

Danielle Barney, Clerk of the Board