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SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF ZONE 7
ALAMEDA COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

DEL VALLE WATER TREATMENT PLANT OZONATION PROJECT
GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY

May 2, 2018

The following were present:

DIRECTORS: SANDS FIGUERS
JOHN GRECI
SARAH PALMER
RICHARD QUIGLEY
ANGELA RAMIREZ HOLMES
BILL STEVENS

ZONE 7 STAFF: VALERIE PRYOR, GENERAL MANAGER
OSBORN SOLITEI, ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER, FINANCE
COLTER ANDERSEN, PRODUCTION MANAGER
JARNAIL CHAHAL, ENGINEERING MANAGER
DONNA FABIAN, NOTE TAKER
JESSICA TRAYNOR, PHOTOGRAPHER

On May 2, 2018, Zone 7 hosted a groundbreaking ceremony to kick off construction of the new ozonation facilities at the Del Valle Water Treatment Plant. In attendance were Zone 7 Directors, staff, members of the design and construction team, and many local officials including John Marchand, Mayor of the City of Livermore, Leah Doyle-Stevens of Supervisor Haggerty's Office, Amanda Martin of Representative Swalwell's Office, and Cindy Chin of Catherine Baker's Office. The purpose of the ozonation project is to enhance the water quality by disinfecting and treating cyanotoxins at the Del Valle plant. The project will include the construction of an ozone generation building, contactor structure, chemical facilities, and storage and a new utility water pump station.

Zone 7's Board President, John Greci, spoke about the importance of long-term planning and capital investments like the ozonation project to ensure Zone 7 can continue to deliver high-quality water to its customers. The ozonation facilities are a major upgrade to Zone 7's water treatment facilities and will allow Zone 7 to successfully eliminate taste and odor issues that have become a recurring problem in warm summer months due to algal blooms in source water supplies.

President Greci introduced the new Zone 7 General Manager, Valerie Pryor, and encouraged

everyone to get to know her. She spoke about where Zone 7's water comes from and how the ozone treatment will benefit the quality and taste of water. She stated that staff have been working on the project for over 15 years. She welcomed everyone to the ceremony, and thanked staff in Finance, Integrated Planning, Operations, Maintenance and Support Staff for all their hard work in preparing for the project and ceremony. She is pleased that Zone 7 will be providing its constituents with more reliable water. She also said the \$45 million facility will be online in March 2020.

President Greci then introduced former Zone 7 Director and current City of Livermore Mayor John Marchand who spoke about how back in 1991 Zone 7 started talking about ozone. He also mentioned that although Zone 7's water has been known to smell funny at times, it has always been safe to drink. He mentioned that ozonated water has the highest quality of water produced and that plants who use ozone to treat their water receive no complaints.

Zone 7 Director Dick Quigley stated that he has been on the board for 15 years and that the Directors have been talking about ozone ever since, and he is thrilled Zone 7 is going through with the project.

Director Sarah Palmer stated that what Zone 7 is doing is so important in sustainability and public health, and that staff have been amazing in pulling off preparations for the project.

Director Angela Ramirez Holmes said it was bittersweet to be at the event so soon after the passing of Director Jim McGrail.

Leah Doyle-Stevens attended on behalf of Supervisor Haggerty. She conveyed his gratitude to Zone 7, congratulations on the groundbreaking ceremony, and presented a Certificate of Accommodation to President Greci.

General Manager Valerie Pryor asked everyone to gather around for the groundbreaking. Six Directors, with shovels in hand, broke ground. Everyone then gathered for light refreshments and conversation.