**ANTELOPE VALLEY MOSQUITO AND VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT**

**438th SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**42624 6TH STREET EAST, LANCASTER, CALIFORNIA 93535 (661) 942-2917**

**JULY 13, 2022**

**4:00 P.M.**

**MINUTES**

**MEETING VIA WEB CONFERENCE**

**TRUSTEES PRESENT**: John Manning, Elvie Ancheta, David Gantenbein, Tierney Smith-Woods and Steve Hofbauer.

**TRUSTEES ABSENT**: None.

**STAFF PRESENT**: Leann Verdick

**OPENING**: President Manning called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

**OPEN PUBLIC HEARING**

Trustee Manning moves to open Public Hearing. Trustee Ancheta seconds the motion. Motion passes unanimously.

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE TABULATION OF BALLOT RESULTS FROM SCI CONSULTING GROUP FOR THE PROPOSED MOSQUITO, VECTOR AND DISEASE CONTROL ASSESSMENT.**

Sonia Ortega, SCI Consultant, opens with presenting the results of the tabulation. There was a 45/55 result with the Proposition failing. Sonia goes on to say that the drastic difference between the survey and ballot is unheard of and very unusual. The only guess is that the political and economic climate had worsened between the two and had heavily impacted our efforts. We had received 10,825 ballots back (5,254 yes; 5,571 no; 130 invalid); they will be conducting a data analysis to see where our outreach should be directed in the future. This data will have a breakdown of everything, more specifically on what types of properties voted which way. This will allow us to see the bigger picture and to have a more solid reason as to why this did not pass. For now it is best to look at our revenue and be frugal, what we do in the future will rely heavily on politics and economics so it is hard to say what the future holds and when we could potentially pursue this again. Sonia does recommend to partake in a tracker survey that lasts 3-5 years before going into another full blown Proposition 218; during this time we will gain a knowledge on the needs of the community and whether their feelings towards promoting the district would make doing another Prop 218 worth it. This is a much more cost effective way that, while it takes money to conduct, has the potential of saving the district money if we decide to do another Proposition 218.

**CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING**

Trustee Hofbauer moves to close Public Hearing. Trustee Gantenbein seconds the motion. Motion passes unanimously.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR JULY 28, 2022 AT 4:00 PM VIA ZOOM**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES COMMENTS:** None.

**ITEMS NOT ON THE POSTED AGENDA:** None.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the Board, President Manning adjourned the meeting at 4:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted: Approved:

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John Manning Elvie Ancheta

Board President Board Secretary