

**MIDWAY COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING**

Monday, September 14, 2026

Minutes

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order at 6:08 p.m. with President Adolfo Ochoa presiding.

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| 1. Call to Order/Roll Call | Adolfo Ochoa, President | Present |
| | Rebecca Rodriguez, Vice -President | Present |
| | Vella Ingram, Director | Present |
| | Dora Campos, Director | Present |
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Others Present: | | |
| | Barbara Tucci, | District Secretary/Manager |
| | Gabriel Delgado, | Legal Counsel (Teleconference) |
| | Sean Pinkston, | Assistant Engineer QK |
| | Garth Pecchenino, | District Engineer QK |
| | Richard Martorello, | Bookkeeper |
| | William Pigg, | Public |
| | Salvador Rubio, | Public |
| | Eduardo Espinosa, | Public |

2. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

There were no additions /deletions.

3. Opportunity for Public Comment

Mr. William Pigg inquired about general validity period of a Can and Will Serve Letter, noting that he is currently on the Can and will Serve List. Legal Counsel advised that such letter are typically valid for one year and may be renewed thereafter. Legal Counsel further explained that the applicable rules and procedures would be updated once the moratorium is lifted.

4. Board to Consider Approval of Minutes August 10, 2026 Regular Meeting.

The Board reviewed the minutes of the regular Board meeting held on September 14, 2026

On the motion from Board member Campos, seconded by Board member Rodriguez, the Board unanimously approved the meeting minutes. The vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Campos, Rodriguez, Ingram, Ochoa

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstentions: None

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5. Old Business

a. Update on Water Treatment Plant

District Engineer Pecchenino provided an update on progress since the previous meeting. City staff has assumed operation of the new water treatment plant, which is now producing potable water in compliance with State Water Board standards. City staff will continue to operate the facility and submit operational data to the State Water Board Staff. The contractor has completed all but one of the required tie-ins, and the new treatment plant was connected to the distribution system on September 1, 2026. Demolition of the old water treatment plant has also commenced. Installation of the screens was attempted on September 9, 2026; however, due to coating related issues and equipment coordination requirements, the installation is being rescheduled.

b. Update on Lift Station #2 Repair

The City reported that the Lift Station No. 2 currently has only one operational pump and that the control panel requires replacement due to corroded wiring. The District Engineer obtained two quotes for the replacement control panel: \$11,750.00 from Howk System and \$14,078.18 from Electric Drives. The Lift Station will also require a backup pump to ensure continued operation in the event of equipment failure. The estimated delivery time for the replacement equipment is 12 to 14 weeks.

c. Update on Fire Hydrant Maintenance

The District is currently reviewing and assessing the operational condition of its fire hydrants to identify and prioritize necessary repairs or replacements. Neither the City nor Merced County Fire Department performs this work. Accordingly, the District is exploring qualified contractors capable of repairing or replacing hydrant components or, when necessary, replacing entire hydrants.

6. New Business

a. Board to Consider Acceptance of Financial/Disbursements August 1, 2026 through August 31, 2026

The Board reviewed the Financial/Disbursement report. On the motion from Board member Campos seconded by Board member Ingram the Board unanimously accepted the financial report as presented. The vote on the motion was as follows:

Ayes: Campos, Ingram, Ochoa, Rodriguez

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstentions: None

b. Board to Consider Payment of Bills

The Board reviewed the bills, on the motion made from Board member Rodriguez seconded by Board member Ingram. The Board unanimously approved payment of the bills presented. The vote on the motion was as follows:

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Ayes: Rodriguez, Ingram, Ochoa, Campos

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstentions: None

c. Board to Discuss and Provide Direction Regarding a Comprehensive Rate Study

Legal Counsel reported on the need to review the District's current water and sewer rates to ensure they adequately cover operational, maintenance, and capital improvement costs. He explained that any rate adjustments must comply with proposition 218, including cost-of-service requirements, public notice and hearing procedures. Legal Counsel will provide the Board with an update on the necessary steps, anticipated timeline, and estimated costs of conducting a rate study.

7. Staff Reports

The District Secretary reported to the Board that the District Office successfully passed its annual inspection from the Merced County Fire Department. The Fire Chief conducted a thorough review of the office evaluating emergency exits pathways, fire extinguisher readiness, alarm system and overall compliance with local safety codes.

8. Reports Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(a)(2)

There were no reports

9. ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Director Campos, seconded by Director Rodriguez, the Board unanimously approved adjournment of meeting at 7:23 p.m.

Next regularly scheduled meeting: Monday, October 12, 2026 @ 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,
Barbara Tucci
Secretary/Manager
Midway Community Service District