

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

Monday, August 10, 2026

Minutes

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order at 6:05 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 |
| | Sean Pinkston, | Assistant Engineer QK |
| | Garth Pecchenino, | District Engineer QK |
| | Ignacio Cervera, | City of Dos Palos |
| | Juan Bravo, | Public |

2. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

There were no additions / deletions.

3. Opportunity for Public Comment

Mr. Juan Bravo asked about the progress of the water treatment plant and availability of new service connections. He noted that he owns property within the District and has been on the Can and Will Serve list since 2016. Legal Counsel Gabriel Delgado explained that the District must determine how many connections are available and how many remain subject to confirmation by the City. The District expects to have this information by the end of the year.

4. Board to Consider Approval of Minutes July 20, 2026 Regular Meeting.

The Board reviewed the minutes of the regular Board meeting held on August 10, 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 reported on progress since the previous meeting. City Staff are now operating the new water treatment plant, which is now producing potable water that meets State Water Boards standards, and are submitting operating data to the agency. The contractor has completed one tie-in and expects to finish the remaining connections by the end of the month, including a crossover near the elevated storage tanks. Screen installation is scheduled for early September. The contractor's safety and crane placement plans are under review by the Department of Water Resources, which manages and operates the Aqueduct. Demolition of the old plant may begin once the State certifies and approves the new facility.

b. Lift Station #2 Repair/Billings

District Secretary Tucci presented City of Dos Palos invoices for Lift Station No. 2 repairs, \$6,278.00 for the United Rentals pump rental and \$7,064.37 for the trash pump repairs by Electric Drives. The Board directed Ms. Tucci to pay the United Rentals invoice, subject to President Ochoa's approval. Ms. Tucci also spoke to Lisa from Electric Drives who agreed to review the invoices and determine which trash pump repair charges are the District's responsibility. Midway received a maintenance schedule for Lift Stations No. 1 and 2. Nacho reported that the Lift Station No. 2 has only one functioning pump and that its control panel must be replaced because of corroded wiring. District Engineer will obtain quotes for the replacement pump and control panel and report back to the Board.

c. Update on Fire Hydrant Maintenance

District Secretary contacted the local Fire Captain Perez to discuss a recent fire in the District. Captain Perez expressed concerns about the condition of several community fire hydrants and the need to ensure firefighter safety and adequate water supplies. During an inspection, he found hydrants that were damaged, leaking, inoperable, sealed, or inaccessible because paint covered the operating threads. He recommended repairing and maintaining existing hydrants rather than removing them and capping the lines. He further advised prioritizing repairs based on life-safety impact, occupancy, fire risks, and access to alternative water sources.

Locations requiring immediate attention include 21227 Reynolds Avenue near the Merced Housing Authority Apartments; 21492 Reynolds Avenue, where the hydrant has a broken stem; 8540 Christian Avenue near South Dos Palos Head Start; and 8596 Christian Avenue, where the hydrant is unusable.

Captain Perez urged the District to assess the condition and operability of all existing hydrants before deciding whether to remove or cap any of them.

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6. New Business

a. Board to Consider Appointment of New Director

Following the passing of Board Member Carlos Mendoza, the District received two applications to fill the resulting vacancy. The Board will review the applications, but anticipates leaving Mr. Mendoza's Director seat vacant through the end of his term on December 4, 2026. Legal Counsel Delgado will need to make a request of the Merced County Board of Supervisors to fill the vacancy.

b. Board to Consider Acceptance of Financial/Disbursement July 1, 2026 through July 31, 2026

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

Ayes: Rodriguez, Ingram, Ochoa, Campos

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstentions: None

c. Board to Consider Payment of Bills

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

Ayes: Ingram, Rodriguez, Ochoa, Campos

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstentions: None

7. Staff Reports

There were no reports

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

There were no reports

9. ADJOURNMENT

On the motion of Director Rodriguez, seconded by Director Campos, the Board unanimously approved adjournment of meeting at 6:52 p.m.

Next regularly scheduled meeting: Monday, September 14, 2026 @ 6:00 p.m.

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