## RANCHO PAUMA MUTUAL WATER COMPANY ("RPMWC") ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

## March 3, 2025

Directors Present: Chuck Bandy, Laura Kariya, Bruce Knox, Linda Shoaff and Scott Shinner

**Directors Absent:** None

Also Present: Representatives of the Pauma Band of Mission Indians Ruben Bentancourt and Martina Garcia,

representatives of T-Y Nursery Terry Yasutake and Ogden Watson, Shareholders Steve Wehr, Charles Mathews, Janet Scott, Peter Jordan, Thomas Cerruti, Larry Gartner; Paul Kaymark and Tyler Cook of Nigro & Nigro, Jeff Pape of Dudek, Administrative Manager Amber Watkins

and Office and Compliance Manager Kim Alvarado.

1. Call to Order: The meeting was held in person and via Zoom and was called to order at 1:59 p.m. by President Bandy.

- **2.** Call for Proxies and votes present: Bandy placed a call for proxies and votes present, none.
- 3. Establishment of a Quorum: Watkins stated yes.

Bandy took a moment to introduce the administrative and utility staff to all in attendance.

- **4. Presentation of proxies to Inspectors of Election:** This topic was discussed during agenda item 7. Bandy noted that the announcement of Shareholder voting will be discussed later in this agenda.
- 5. Annual Review: Bandy began the presentation by introducing the current Board of Directors who each hold a one-year term. Bandy continued the slide show presentation with a review of assets, outlining the 13 groundwater wells; 6 potable and 7 non-potable, the Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition System ("SCADA") used by all staff to monitor and control the entire water system, the equipment owned and operated by RPMWC employees, a map of the District highlighting the potable water delivery lines, the agriculture water delivery lines and the Yuima Municipal Water District ("YMWD") water line. Bandy noted that RPMWC has services established with YMWD as backup water sources for items such as fire flow and import water if the need arises. Bandy further noted there has been no need to purchase water from YMWD for several years now mainly due to operations management through SCADA and recent impressive rainfall within the basin. Bandy commented that RPMWC has focused on being as self-sufficient as possible and controlling costs by keeping the vast majority of work in house. Bandy also made note of the preparation involved to finalize the 2024-2025 budget which also incorporated input from members of the community. Bandy noted an extensive review of multiple budget models were reviewed throughout the process. Bandy reviewed the various Capital Expenditure projects completed over the previous six years totaling over two million dollars and noted the current budget includes an additional \$475,000 in needed projects. Bandy took a moment to explain that staff are finding more and more aging infrastructure that needs to be replaced throughout the year and noted that the current Board has committed to continual mid-year budget review to address company needs year-round.
- **6. Shareholder Comments and Questions:** Jordan inquired on the current status of well water availability. Bandy stated that with the higher-than-normal rain amounts received over the past two winters, the pumping levels have vastly improved.

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- 7. Announcement of shareholder voting: Kaymark and Cook were assigned as Inspectors of the Election. Kaymark confirmed that 128 proxies were received, which constitutes a 76% quorum. Kaymark presented the 2025 election results as follows: Chuck Bandy, Laurie Kariya, Bruce Knox, Linda Shoaff, and Scott Shinner.
- **8. Adjournment:** Bandy thanked all attendees for joining the meeting. With no further business to conduct, a motion to adjourn this meeting was made by Knox, seconded by Kariya, and unanimously approved; meeting adjourned at 2:33 p.m. Bandy stated to all in attendance that the Regular Board meeting will follow and will begin at 3:00 p.m.

Kim Alvarado

Kim Alvarado, Recording Secretary