



Chairman Grupposo commended staff on its report. Chairman Grupposo suggested based on a 10-year plan, it comes out to \$36 per day. Chairman Grupposo suggested to have a QR code in the park for the public to utilize and implement text messages to the public, so there is ongoing communication between the District and the public. Mr. Kleinrock indicated that the web-based component is included in the proposal for FY 2021-2022 budget. Chairman Grupposo reiterated that it is important to include the QR code as a main tool to allow the District to interact with the public.

Director Aldaco suggested that it is a good idea to include the QR code as a tool to engage with the public. Director Gulmahamad stated he is concerned about the costs and the return on investment. Mr. Kleinrock indicated the next step in the process would be the RFP or RFQ which would go to the Board for approval, and they can discuss the terms of conditions at that time. Chairman Grupposo stated that if the District takes the investment income interest, that it would pay for the total cost of the project. Ms. Skrzat indicated two years of investment income would pay for the project.

### **Lobby Renovation Planning – Elizabeth Skrzat, Executive Director**

Executive Director Elizabeth Skrzat presented to the Board of Directors (Board) on the Site Plan and Lobby Renovation. The purpose of the plan is to become grant ready for lobby renovation. To receive a grant, the District must have designs ready prior to the application process. As a result, the District is considering hiring a consultant for design planning. The goal of the Board and staff is to increase foot traffic at the Water Wise Community Center (WCC) Parks and Gardens. By renovating the lobby, it may increase the length of time the average visitor spends and create learning opportunities for the District to tell the story of the Chino Groundwater Basin. Ms. Skrzat presented designs from the Water Replenishment District's (WRD) Albert Robles Center and provided examples of different design models WRD have in their lobby.

Chairman Grupposo and Director Aldaco commended staff on its report. Director Gulmahamad wanted to know what exhibits were working at the WRD. Ms. Skrzat reported WRD'S hands-on interactive exhibits garner the most attention. The main attraction was a watershed education exhibit that allows visitors to create "rain" over a cityscape by pulling a chain. Director Gulmahamad requested that staff assess and evaluate the best practices and identify the best outcomes for CBWCD.

Director Aldaco stated it is time to focus on renovating the lobby so the District can increase visitation.

**PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS** – None.

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- 1. Review First Draft of Upcoming FY Budget**

Executive Director Skrzat presented the item to the Board of Directors (Board) to review, discuss and provide direction to staff regarding the budget proposal for Fiscal Year 2021-2022. Ms. Skrzat clarified that the presentation will cover what is different from the previous budget from FY 2020-2021. It is a balanced budget projected at \$3,559,500 in revenues and \$3,559,500 in expenditures. Property tax and assessment revenue was projected at \$2,339,200 at 2% above the projected ending income of \$2,293,300.

Director Aldaco and Chairman Gruposso commended staff on its report. Director Gulmahamad requested staff to assess and evaluate community events. Community Programs Manager Maia Dean responded that the Department is focusing on assessing and evaluating what programs are working. Director Gulmahamad suggested staff to start forecasting ahead to try to determine what programs will be available to the public again as restrictions loosen from Covid-19.

**ORAL REPORTS** – None.

**CLOSED SESSION** – The Board recessed to closed session at 11:22 a.m. to consider the following closed session items:

PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT: Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6 Public Employees' Salaries/ Benefits.

**Reportable Action** – The meeting reconvened at 11:51 a.m. and had no reportable action for closed session.

Chairman Gruposso reported back on Item #1 and made a motion to proceed with the upcoming fiscal year budget draft. Motioned was seconded by Director Gulmahamad.

**Motion carried on 3-0-0-0 vote to proceed with the upcoming fiscal year budget draft.**

**MOVED: Gruposso**

**SECOND: Gulmahamad**

**APPROVED: 3-0-0-0**

AYES: Gruposso, Aldaco, Gulmahamad

NOES: None

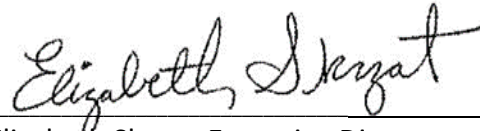
ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

**ADJOURN**

**Chairman Gruposso adjourned the meeting at 11:51 a.m. to the next Regular Board Meeting of the Chino Basin Water Conservation District to be held on Monday, May 17, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. online at: <https://zoom.us/j/98961622935>.**

APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 17<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MAY 2021.



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Elizabeth Skrzat, Executive Director

ATTEST:



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Jerry Mireles, Senior Administrative Assistant