

# HEBER PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

1078 Dogwood Rd., Suite 104  
Heber, CA 92249

## MINUTES

Thursday, June 18, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

The District recognizes its obligation to provide equal access to those individuals with disabilities. Please contact the District (760-482-2440) two working days prior to the meeting with any special requests for reasonable accommodation including translation services. **COMUNÍQUESE CON EL DISTRITO SI SOLICITA SERVICIOS DE TRADUCCIÓN SOBRE UN TEMA PARTICULAR DE LA AGENDA. TODAS LAS SOLICITUDES DEBERÁN REALIZARSE POR ESCRITO DOS DÍAS HÁBILES ANTES DE LA JUNTA.**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Meeting was Called to Order by President Pompeyo Tabarez at 6:03pm
2. **ROLL CALL:** All Those Present Included: President Pompeyo Tabarez, Vice-President Delfino Matus, Director Tony Sandoval, Director Helen Diaz-Molina, Director Sarah J Curry, General Counsel Mitchell Driskill, General Manager Madeline Dessert, Finance Manager Luis Carrazco, Clerk of the Board Jacob Bermudez
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** President Tabrez Led the Pledge of Allegiance
4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** *Correction was Made to Item 8.E Adopt Resolution Number 2026-08 Adopt the Second Amendment to Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget, Item Should Read: Adopt Resolution Number 2026-08 Adopt the Fourth Amendment to Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget*  
Director Sandoval Motioned to Approve the Agenda with the Correction to Item 8.E. Director Curry Seconded the Motion: Motion Passed.  
AYES: President Tabarez, Vice President Matus, Director Sandoval, Director Diaz-Molina, Director Curry  
NOES: -  
ABSTAIN: -  
ABSENT: -
5. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** No Public Comments Were Received
6. **CONSENT AGENDA:** Vice President Matus Motioned to Approve the Consent Agenda. Director Diaz-Molina Seconded the Motion. Motion Passed.  
AYES: President Tabarez, Vice President Matus, Director Sandoval, Director Diaz-Molina, Director Curry  
NOES: -  
ABSTAIN: -  
ABSENT: -
  - A. Approval of the Minutes for the Regular Meeting on May 21, 2026
  - B. Approval of Current Demands for May 2026
  - C. Approve the Board of Directors to go Dark in August

- D. Authorize the General Manager to Submit a Grant Application for the Active Transportation Program Cycle 8 for the Heber Greenbelt Project – General Manager
- E. Approve and Authorize Staff to Release the Request for Proposals for Professional Auditing Services for Fiscal Year 2026/2027 – General Manager

## **7. REPORTS:**

- A. President and Director's Comments
- B. Operations Report for May 2026 – Presented with no Additions
- C. General Manager's Report – Presented with no Additions
- D. Grants Update – Presented with no Additions

## **8. NEW BUSINESS: Discussion and Possible Action**

- A. Information Only: Water and Wastewater Rate Study Presentation – LT Municipal Consultants
- B. Authorize the Board President to Sign the Auditor Engagement Letter – Finance Manager  
Director Diaz-Molina Motioned to Authorize the Board President to Sign the Auditor Engagement Letter. Director Curry Seconded the Motion. Motion Passed.  
AYES: President Tabarez, Vice President Matus, Director Sandoval, Director Diaz-Molina, Director Curry  
NOES: -  
ABSTAIN: -  
ABSENT: -
- C. Authorize the Board President to Sign a Letter of Support for Senate Bill 675 Imperial County Air Pollution Control District – General Manager  
Direction was Given to Staff to Bring Back to the Board when the Language for Senate Bill 675 was Finalized.
- D. Adopt Resolution Number 2026-06 Consolidation Calling and Giving Notice of Election; and Resolution Number 2026- 07 Requesting to Consolidate a District Election with the Statewide General Election – General Manager  
Director Curry Made a Motion to Adopt Resolution Number 2026-06 Consolidation Calling and Giving Notice of Election; and Resolution Number 2026- 07 Requesting to Consolidate a District Election with the Statewide General Election. Vice President Matus Seconded the Motion. Motion Passed.  
AYES: President Tabarez, Vice President Matus, Director Sandoval, Director Diaz-Molina, Director Curry  
NOES: -  
ABSTAIN: -  
ABSENT: -
- E. Adopt Resolution Number 2026-08 Adopt the Second Amendment to Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget – Finance Manager

Director Curry Motioned to Adopt Resolution Number 2026-08 Adopt the Second Amendment to Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget. Vice President Matus Seconded the Motion. Motion Passed. AYES: President Tabarez, Vice President Matus, Director Sandoval, Director Diaz-Molina, Director Curry  
NOES: -  
ABSTAIN: -  
ABSENT: -

F. Adopt Resolution Number 2026-09 to Adopt the Salary Schedule for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 – General Manager

Director Curry Motioned to Adopt Resolution Number 2026-09 to Adopt the Salary Schedule for Fiscal Year 2026-2027. Director Sandoval Seconded the Motion. Motion Passed. AYES: President Tabarez, Vice President Matus, Director Sandoval, Director Diaz-Molina, Director Curry  
NOES: -  
ABSTAIN: -  
ABSENT: -

G. Adopt Resolution Number 2026-10 Adopting the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Budget – Finance Manager

Director Curry Motioned to Adopt Resolution Number 2026-10 Adopting the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Budget. Director Sandoval Seconded the Motion. Motion Passed. AYES: President Tabarez, Vice President Matus, Director Sandoval, Director Diaz-Molina, Director Curry  
NOES: -  
ABSTAIN: -  
ABSENT: -

**9. ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- The Heber Public Utility District Office will be Closed on June 19, 2026, in Observance of Juneteenth
- The Heber Public Utility District Office will be Closed on July 3, 2026, in Observance of Independence Day

**10. CLOSED SESSION:** Director Curry Motioned to Enter Closed Session at 7:20pm. Director Sandoval Seconded the Motion. Motion Passed.

AYES: President Tabarez, Vice President Matus, Director Sandoval, Director Diaz-Molina, Director Curry  
NOES: -  
ABSTAIN: -  
ABSENT: -

To ensure privacy during Closed Session, we will observe the following procedures:

- The Board President will enter Closed Session. Members of the public will exit the boardroom.

A. Potential Litigation (Government Code § 54956.9(d))

B. Public Employee Performance Evaluation (Government Code § 54957) General Manager

C. Conference with Labor Negotiators (Government Code § 54957.6) Natural Resources Technical Association (NRTA)

No Reportable Action was Taken. Direction was Given to Staff.

The Board Exited Closed Session at 7:58pm

**11. ADJOURNMENT :** Meeting was Adjourned at 7:59pm