

**CITY OF FOSTER CITY/  
ESTERO MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT**

**SPECIAL MEETING OF MARCH 9, 2009**

**MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The duly called and noticed special meeting of the City Council of the City of Foster City (City), sitting as said Council, as ex officio the Board of Directors of the Estero Municipal Improvement District (EMID), of March 9, 2009 was called to order at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 620 Foster City Boulevard, Foster City, San Mateo County, California, by Mayor/President John Kiramis.

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT:** City Councilmembers/ex officio EMID Directors Pam Frisella, Art Kiesel, Linda Koelling, Rick Wykoff, and Mayor/President John Kiramis.

**ABSENT:** None.

**STAFF PRESENT:** James C. Hardy, City/District Manager; Jean B. Savaree, City Attorney/District Legal Counsel; Kristi A. Chappelle, Assistant City/District Manager; Steve Toler, Administrative Services Director; Ramon Towne, Director of Public Works; Rebecca Burnside, Human Resources Director; Tom Reaves, Fire Chief; Craig Courtin, Chief of Police; Matt Martell, Police Captain; Jim Scott, Fire Battalion Chief; Norm Dorais, Public Works Maintenance Manager; Mike Fry, Video Technician; and Therese L. Calic, City Clerk/District Secretary/Recording Secretary.

**REPORTS**

**POLICY DIRECTION ON TIERED RATE WATER RATE MODEL. MINUTE ORDER NO. 1132.**

Administrative Services Director Toler presented the staff report.

John Igoe, 387 Mullet Court, a resident and member of the City's Environmental Sustainability Task Force, addressed the District Board in support of water conservation and tiered water rates.

Discussion ensued.

Motion by Vice President Wykoff, seconded by Director Frisella, and carried unanimously, 5-0-0, to adopt Minute Order No. 1132, directing District staff to:

1. Pursue a tiered rate structure on a priority basis for both single family residences and multi-family residences; however, delay its implementation to allow staff more time to conduct a public outreach program and to coincide with the implementation for commercial and irrigation users;
2. Pursue a tiered water rate structure for commercial and irrigation users on a priority basis, and report back to the District Board with a proposed rate structure;
3. Maintain Fire Line service at a fixed consumption rate;
4. Develop a tiered rate model considering the overall key assumptions and rate setting objectives as presented in the staff report;
5. Implement separate tiered rate models for single family residences and multi-family residences to reflect the difference in water usage patterns in these two customer classifications;
6. Use the current Water Rate Model for FY 2009-2010; and
7. Explore expansion of the current water rebate programs to include rebates for more efficient irrigation systems and swimming pool/spa covers, etc.

**POLICY DIRECTION ON FLOW-BASED WASTEWATER RATE MODEL. MINUTE ORDER NO. 1133.**

Administrative Services Director Toler presented the staff report.

Discussion ensued.

Motion by Vice President Wykoff, seconded by Director Frisella, and carried unanimously, 5-0-0, to adopt Minute Order No. 1133, directing District staff to maintain the Estero Municipal Improvement District's current wastewater rate model of a fixed-rate charge to residential wastewater customers in single family and multi-family residences.

**CLOSED SESSION**

Mayor/President Kiramis recessed the meeting into closed session, pursuant to Government Code §54957.6(a), for a Conference with City/District Labor Negotiators regarding the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF) Local 2400 and Foster City Police Officers Association (FCPOA).

Meeting recessed into closed session at 5:46 p.m. and reconvened at 6:43 p.m.

Mayor/President Kiramis reported that no action was taken in closed session.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Hearing no objection from the City Council/EMID Board, Mayor/President Kiramis adjourned the meeting at 6:43 p.m.