

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT NO. 9
HELD AT THE OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT;
AT THE OFFICE OF SUPERVISORY HAHN;
AND AT THE KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
VIA TELECONFERENCE

February 25, 2026
1:30 o'clock, P.M.

The Board of Directors of County Sanitation District No. 9 of Los Angeles County met in regular session both in person and via teleconference.

There were present: Kathryn Barger, Temporary Alternate Director from Los Angeles County, via teleconference from the Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
Janice Hahn, Chairperson, Director from Los Angeles County, via teleconference at the Office of Supervisor Hahn

Absent: Tim McOsker, Alternate Director from Los Angeles City

Also present: Kimberly S. Christensen, Secretary to the Board
Robert Ferrante, Chief Engineer and General Manager
Jessica Lienau, District Counsel

A notice given by Supervisor Solis, Chairperson of the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles County, to the Board Secretary's Office appointing Supervisor Kathryn Barger, a member of the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles County, to serve as temporary alternate Director from the county, to attend the meeting of February 11, 2026, only, is in the file in the Secretary's office.

RE: PUBLIC COMMENT
The Chairperson announced this was the time for any questions or comments by members of the public. There were no public comments or questions to address the Board on any matters.

RE: MINUTES
Upon motion of Director Barger, duly seconded and unanimously carried by a roll-call vote, the minutes of the regular meeting held December 15, 2025, were approved.

RE: DISTRICT EXPENSES
The following expenses for the months of October, November, and December 2025, were presented and upon motion of Director Barger, duly seconded and unanimously carried by a roll-call vote, were approved:

Local District Expenses:	
Operations & Maintenance	\$102,048
Capital	48,009
Allocated Expenses:	
Joint Administration	2,219
Total Expenses	<u>\$152,276</u>

RE: FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT
ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL REPORT - RECEIVE AND ORDER FILED
Prior to meeting in regular session, matters pertaining to the *Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR)* were discussed as recorded in the Status Report presented to the Boards on this date. The Districts' ACFR for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, which includes the annual audit required by state and federal laws, has been previously distributed to the Directors. This item is consistent with the Districts' Guiding Principles of commitment to fiscal responsibility and prudent financial stewardship; and to protect financial and facility assets through prudent investment and maintenance programs. A recommendation was made to receive and order filed the ACFR for fiscal year ending June 30, 2025.

Upon motion of Director Barger, duly seconded and unanimously carried by a roll-call vote, the Board of Directors received and ordered filed the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for fiscal year ending June 30, 2025.

RE: SERVICE CHARGE REPORT
RECEIVE AND ORDER FILED - SET PUBLIC
HEARING FOR JUNE 24, 2026, AND GIVE
REQUIRED NOTICE

Prior to meeting in regular session, the Chief Engineer and General Manager and Mr. Andrew Hall, Department Head of Financial Management Department, updated the Directors on the Districts' wastewater rates for the various Boards meeting today, as recorded in the Status

Report presented on this date.

In regular session, a report titled *County Sanitation District No. 9 Service Charge Report for Fiscal Year 2026-27*, prepared in accordance with Section 5473 of the Health and Safety Code of the State of California and which establishes the formula for the calculation of a sewage unit that represents the average daily quantity of sewage flow and strength from a single-family home (SFH) was presented.

Filing of the Service Charge Report is required each year to collect the wastewater service charge on the property tax roll. The current service charge rate per single-family home is \$0 per month (\$0 per year), and no increase is recommended for fiscal year 2026-27. A letter discussing the service charge rate, the fiscal year 2026-27 preliminary budget, and related matters accompanied the agenda. Although the proposed service charge rate is \$0, filing of the Service Charge Report is recommended per the adopted ordinance. Staff recommends that the Public Hearing be held at the Board meeting scheduled for June 24, 2026. This item is consistent with the Districts' Guiding Principles of commitment to fiscal responsibility and prudent financial stewardship; and to plan for both short-term and long-term needs to minimize the need for significant rate increases.

A recommendation was made that, in accordance with Section 5473 of the Health and Safety Code, the Board instruct the District Clerk to publish newspaper notices to inform the public of the date, time, and place for a public hearing on the Service Charge Report, and that a public hearing be set for June 24, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. in the District's Board Room at the Joint Administration Office, 1955 Workman Mill Road, Whittier, California, for the purpose of public discussion of the proposed service charge rates and its collection on the property tax roll. After the public hearing is closed, the Board must consider adoption of the Service Charge Report and providing for the collection of the service charge on the property tax roll.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board does hereby fix June 24, 2026, at 1:30 p.m. as the date and time, and in the District's Board Room at the Joint Administration Office, 1955 Workman Mill Road, Whittier, California, as the place for a public hearing on *County Sanitation District No. 9 Service Charge Report for Fiscal Year 2026-27*, the proposed service charge rates and the collection of the service charge on the property tax roll.

The Clerk of this Board shall cause notice of the filing of the Service Charge Report and the time and place of the public hearing to be published once a week for two successive weeks in *The Daily Breeze*, a daily newspaper printed and published within the District, and in such other publications as are deemed appropriate by the Chief Engineer and General Manager.

Upon motion of Director Barger, duly seconded and unanimously carried by a roll-call vote, the *County Sanitation District No. 9 Service Charge Report for Fiscal Year 2026-27* was ordered filed with the Clerk of the District.

RE: AMENDED CONFLICT OF INTEREST
AND DISCLOSURE CODE - ADOPT

At its meetings of November 19 and December 9, 2025, the Districts' code reviewing body, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, adopted the amended

Conflict of Interest Codes and Disclosure Categories for the Districts. The amendments consist of the deletion of one position from the code as it no longer exists in the agency, changes to five position titles, the addition of six positions to the code, revisions to the "Place of Filing Statement," and clarification on the "Officials who manage Public Investments" language. Pursuant to Government Code 8306, each District Board is required to adopt the consolidated amended code, which was attached to the agenda. This item is consistent with the Districts' Guiding Principles of commitment to ethical, respectful, and honest behavior in all interactions; and commitment to fiscal responsibility and prudent financial stewardship. A recommendation was made to adopt the amended Conflict of Interest and Disclosure Code.

Upon motion of Director Barger, duly seconded and unanimously carried by a roll-call vote, the Board of Directors of County Sanitation District No. 9 of Los Angeles County adopted an amended Conflict of Interest and Disclosure Code, a copy of which is on file in the Office of the District and all the provisions of which are incorporated herein as though fully set forth. The amended code supersedes the Conflict of Interest and Disclosure Code previously adopted by this Board.

Upon motion of Director Barger, duly seconded and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 2:01 p.m.

JANICE HAHN
Chairperson

ATTEST:

KIMBERLY S. CHRISTENSEN
Secretary

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