

**MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING  
OF THE FLORIN RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT/  
ELK GROVE WATER DISTRICT**

**Tuesday, January 17, 2023**

**Attendance:**

Committee Members Present: Robert Blank, Rita Achuff, Mark Freathy, Paul Lindsay, Kimberly Martin, Leopold Naranjo IV, Reinold Rau, Robert Stresak, Donald Trethewey, Dwight Weathers

Staff Present: Bruce Kamilos, General Manager; Patrick Lee, Finance Manager; Stefani Phillips, Board Secretary; Donella Murillo, Finance Supervisor; Amber Kavert, Human Resources Technician; and Aurelia Camilo, Administrative Assistant II

Consultants Present: Theresa Jurotich, Raftelis

**1. 2024-2028 Water Rate and Connection Fee Study**

General Manager Bruce Kamilos kicked off the meeting.

Theresa Jurotich from Raftelis presented the PowerPoint. She shared the financial plan and provided three (3) scenarios that Raftelis came up with using operational data provided by the Florin Resource Conservation District/Elk Grove Water District (District) and the Consumer Price Index (CPI).

The three scenarios are as follows:

- 1) No Revenue Adjustment – 0% increase
- 2) 4%, 4%, 3%, 2.5%, 2.5%/year
- 3) 4%, 4%, 4%, 2.5%, 2.5%/year

There were discussions around some of the projects incorporated into the data.

Community Advisory Committee (CAC) Chair Robert Blank asked what it would look like if the rate increase percentages were straight across the board for all five (5) years.

CAC member Dwight Weathers stated, they need to have confidence in the District staff's ability to manage the rate increases and not micromanage. He further mentioned that staff are the ones who have to make sure the rate increase percentage is adequate depending on finances, complimenting them on a job well done. He stated he would rather overshoot and give the District the opportunity that if the percentage is 4%, but only 3% is needed, the District will look at it and not take the whole amount, as opposed to trying to sell needing a higher percentage later.

Many discussions occurred regarding different scenarios.

Mr. Weathers asked to have a discussion on tier levels at the next meeting.

The CAC asked for a Scenario #4, using the idea that people are going to conserve, that would use Fiscal Year 2021-22 actuals and inflation with no projected growth over the five (5) years.

Respectfully submitted,

*Stefani Phillips*

Stefani Phillips, Board Secretary  
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Adjourn to next Community Advisory Committee Meeting: Wednesday, March 21, 2023.