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HARRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 278

March 6, 2026

The Board of Directors (the "Board") of Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 278 (the "District") met in regular session, open to the public, on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2026, at the offices of Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP, 3200 Southwest Freeway, Houston, Texas, outside the boundaries of the District, and the roll was called of the members of the Board:

Eugene Newsom	President
Tommie Ruth Allen	Vice President
Gwen Thornburg	Secretary
Shantai Magee	Assistant Vice President
Vacant	Assistant Secretary

and all of the above were present, thus constituting a quorum.

Also attending the meeting were: Kathryn Foss of Municipal Information Services; Loren Morales of Rathmann & Associates, L.P.; Cory Burton of Municipal Accounts & Consulting, L.P.; Melanie Garrett of Assessments of the Southwest, Inc. ("ASW"); and Adisa Harrington and Hope Palmer of Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LP ("ABHR").

MINUTES

The Board considered approving the minutes of the regular meeting of February 6, 2026. After review and discussion, Director Thornburg moved to approve the minutes, as presented. Director Allen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Director Newsom offered any members of the public attending the meeting the opportunity to make public comment. There being no members of the public present to address the Board at this time, Director Newsom closed the public comments portion of the meeting.

2026 DIRECTORS ELECTION

Ms. Harrington discussed procedures related to the 2026 Directors Election. She presented a Certificate Declaring Unopposed Status of Candidates for Election to the Board of Directors executed by the Board Secretary stating that the District received two candidate applications for the three director positions for the May 2, 2026, Directors Election.

Ms. Harrington presented an Order Cancelling Election and Declaring Unopposed Candidates Elected to Office (the "Order Cancelling") stating that the May 2, 2026, Directors Election is cancelled and that the unopposed candidates, B. Eugene Newsom and Gwendolyn Thornburg, are declared elected to office to serve from the May 2, 2026, election until the May 4, 2030, Directors Election. She reviewed the posting requirements for the Order Cancelling.

Following review and discussion, Director Magee moved to: (1) accept the Certificate Declaring Unopposed Status of Candidates for Election to the Board of Directors; (2) adopt the Order Cancelling and authorize the Secretary's agent to post the Order Cancelling; and (3) direct that the Certificate and Order Cancelling be filed appropriately and retained in the District's official records. Director Allen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

### CONFERENCE MATTERS

Ms. Harrington then discussed the District's Travel Reimbursement Guidelines (the "Guidelines") in connection with the upcoming Association of Water Board Directors ("AWBD") summer conference, and discussion ensued regarding specific expenses eligible and ineligible for the conference. Following discussion, Director Allen moved to authorize an advance of up to \$2,000.00 for conference expenses and approve a maximum of four per diems, three hotel nights, and reasonable meals for each director attending the AWBD summer conference, all to be submitted in accordance with the District's Guidelines. Director Magee seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Ms. Harrington then discussed the Guidelines in connection with the upcoming American Water Works Association ("AWWA") conference, and discussion ensued regarding specific expenses eligible and ineligible for the conference. Following discussion, Director Allen moved to authorize an advance of up to \$3,500.00 for conference expenses and approve a maximum of six per diems, five hotel nights, and reasonable meals for each director attending the AWWA conference, all to be submitted in accordance with the District's Guidelines. Director Magee seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

### FINANCIAL AND BOOKKEEPING MATTERS

Mr. Burton presented and reviewed the bookkeeper's report, a copy of which is attached, including the summary of investments and bills for payment from the District's accounts. Following review and discussion, Director Magee moved to approve the bookkeeper's report, summary of investments, and payment of the bills. Director Allen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Morales reported that Moody's Ratings recently reaffirmed the District's A3 rating.

APPROVE AMENDED AND RESTATED AGREEMENT WITH MUNICIPAL INFORMATION SERVICES

Ms. Foss presented and reviewed an Amended and Restated Agreement with Municipal Information Services (“MIS”) for EVO services and a proposal with an annual cost in the amount of \$9,450.00. She presented and reviewed an updated operating strategy for the District, a copy of which is attached. She also reviewed a sample EVO comprehensive report. Following review and discussion, Director Thornburg moved to approve the Amended and Restated Agreement with MIS, subject to final review by ABHR. Director Magee seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

RENEWAL OF DISTRICT’S INSURANCE POLICIES

Ms. Harrington stated the District’s insurance policies will expire on March 31, 2026, and she presented a renewal proposal from with Arthur J. Gallagher & Co. (“Gallagher”) with a proposed annual premium in the amount of \$95,354.00. Following review and discussion, Director Magee moved to approve the renewal proposal from Gallagher. Director Allen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

TAX ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION MATTERS

Ms. Garrett presented and reviewed the tax assessor/collector’s report, including the delinquent tax report. She stated that 95.79% of the 2025 property taxes were collected as of February 28, 2026. Following review and discussion, Director Thornburg moved to approve the tax assessor/collector’s report and the delinquent tax report. Director Magee seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. A copy of the tax assessor/collector’s report, including the delinquent tax report, is attached.

RESOLUTION CONCERNING EXEMPTIONS FROM TAXATION

Ms. Harrington discussed the District’s tax rate exemptions, and the Board considered adopting a Resolution Concerning Exemption from Taxation. She stated the District currently offers a \$70,000 exemption for individuals who are disabled or 65 years of age or older and a 10% general homestead exemption. Following discussion, the Board requested Mr. Morales prepare an analysis of tax exemption options to be presented at the Board of Directors meeting on March 12, 2026.

EVERGREEN LETTER AGREEMENTS WITH HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS FOR FLOCK SAFETY LICENSE PLATE READER COSTS

Ms. Harrington reviewed the proposed new evergreen letter agreements with the participating homeowners’ associations (“HOAs”) for Flock Safety license plate readers. Following discussion, Director Magee moved to approve the new evergreen letter agreements, subject to Director Newsom’s review, and authorize ABHR to coordinate

with the participating HOAs regarding execution of same. Director Thornburg seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Ms. Harrington had nothing additional to report.

ADDITIONAL REPORTS FROM DIRECTORS AND CONSULTANTS

Director Newsom recommended a procedure be developed for communication between Si Environmental, LLC, Touchstone District Services, and a Board member for emergency text alerts for urgent water issues.

Director Newsom reported that the detention pond at the Valero gas station at Noble Forest and Atascocita has not been cleaned and maintained, and its water service has not been terminated in accordance with the District's instructions.

Director Newsom then reported that Waste Management is receiving water service from the District but has not reimbursed the District for the cost of the damages it caused to District facilities.

The Board noted that the April financial and operating meetings will be consolidated into a combined meeting scheduled for April 9, 2026, at 12:00 p.m.

There being no further business brought before the Board, and based on a motion made by Director Magee, seconded by Director Allen, and voted unanimously, the meeting was adjourned.

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Secretary, Board of Directors

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