



**SANTA YNEZ COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' SPECIAL MEETING
Minutes of March 18, 2022**

NOTE: This meeting was held in person and via teleconference, pursuant to AB 361

1. CALL TO ORDER/FLAG SALUTE/ROLL CALL:

President Jones called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Secretary Berry called the roll. Directors Present: D'Ambra, Redfern, Jones by zoom. Staff Present: Interim General Manager Mike LeBrun, Secretary/Treasurer Wendy Berry. Legal Counsel, Rick Battles Absent: Directors Van Pelt and Beard. Director Beard arrived at 10:07 a.m.

2. Closed Session

a) Public comments on closed session item

No public comments. The Board entered into closed session at 10:02 a.m.

b) Closed session conference with legal counsel - anticipated litigation

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2):
One potential case

c) Public report on closed session: The Board reported out of closed session into open session at 10:09 a.m. with no reportable action

3. Update, Discussion, and Action Regarding Transition from At-Large Elections to District-Based Elections. Currently the District's Board of Directors is elected by an at-large election. Election Code Sections 10508 and 10650 permit the District, by resolution, to change from its current at-large election method to a district-based election method under which the candidate must reside within an election district that is a divisible part of the District's jurisdictional boundaries and is elected only by voters residing within that election district.

Director Beard motioned to approve Resolution 22-06, setting forth the District's intention to transition from at-large elections to district-based elections, Director D'Ambra seconded and the motion passed by a roll call vote:

AYES: Beard, Jones, D'Ambra, Redfern Absent: Van Pelt

Director Jones motioned to form an Ad Hoc Committee with Directors Redfern and Jones for the purpose of developing a timeline, outreach program and approve the consultant contract for the district-based election, Director D'Ambra seconded and the motion passed by a roll call vote:

AYES: Beard, Jones, D'Ambra, Redfern Absent: Van Pelt

Board consensus was to have the Ad Hoc Committee start the process for hiring a demographer and public outreach.