SUBMITTAL TO THE FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA



ITEM: 11.7 (ID # 17850) MEETING DATE: Tuesday, December 14, 2021

FROM : FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT AND General Manager-Chief Engineer :

SUBJECT: FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT: Discharge of Accountability for Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District Accounts Receivable, All Districts. [\$0]

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

- 1. Approve Resolution F2021-42, a resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (District) to authorize the discharge of accountability for uncollectible accounts receivable; and
- 2. Direct the County Auditor, acting ex officio as the auditor of the District, to adjust any charge against the District in a like amount pursuant to Section 25259 of the Government Code.

ACTION:Policy

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MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Washington, seconded by Supervisor Spiegel and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes:	Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Hewitt
Nays:	None
Absent:	None
Date:	December 14, 2021
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FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost	
COST	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	
NET COUNTY COST	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$ 0	
SOURCE OF FUNDS	5: N/A	Budget Adjus	Budget Adjustment: No		
			For Fiscal Year: 21/22		

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BACKGROUND:

Summary 5 1

On July 21, 2021, the Auditor Controller's Office completed Internal Audit Report 2021-019 (Audit) of the Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District. The Audit recommended that the District discharge \$443,688.65 in delinquent debt consistent with generally accepted accounting principles.

Ninety-three percent (93%) of the delinquent debt had been accrued between 2003 and 2010 and in connection with deposit-based fees for development reviews that were not paid in the wake of the Great Recession's impact on development. The District has since improved technology and processes to better track deposit-based fees balances and, as such, has minimized risk of overages that can result in future delinquent debt write-off. The District had also been continuing to work with the Executive Office and County Counsel to pursue collections to the extent the law allows. However, given the age of the delinquent debts, the District agreed with the Audit that it was time to discharge the delinquent debts. Discharging the delinquent debt will remove the debt from the District's balance sheets; however, discharge does not preclude the District from continuing to pursue collections to the extent of the law.

California Government Code Sections 25257-25259 describe the Board's discharge of accountability (write-off) process, to remove uncollectible accounts from active status. This is the District's first request for a discharge of accountability.

The District provides various in-house services, such as construction inspection, plan check and encroachment permit services, related to land use matters on accounts designated as depositbased fee accounts. Currently, there are 38 customer accounts with charges in excess of deposit between 2003 and 2018 for which the District is seeking a discharge of accountability. The determination that no anticipated additional payment will likely be received was made after the District took the following steps:

- 1. The responsible party was sent an itemized invoice.
- 2. The responsible party was sent a notice of outstanding invoices.

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3. A hold has been placed on the project by engineering staff stopping all work from continuing until outstanding funds have been paid and an additional deposit established.

Notes:

- a. Pursuant to County Ordinance No. 671, the property owner does not have an obligation to pay a negative balance in a deposit-based fee account nor is required to make an additional deposit. The District is required to stop all work when the deposit is exhausted unless the property owner makes an additional deposit.
- b. California Government Code Section 26220 authorizes the District's Board of Supervisors to assign delinquent bills, claims and accounts to a collection agency under certain circumstances. In the case of unpaid deposit-based fees, the account is not actually due or payable because there is no obligation on the part of the property owner to pay a negative balance or to make subsequent deposits when a deposit-based fee account is depleted.
- 4. The District's engineering staff determined that no further payment will likely be received on these accounts although efforts to collect will continue.

Discharge of accountability is a routine element of annual financial accounting and is legally provided for under California Government Code Sections 25257-25259. A discharge of accountability facilitates a more accurate reflection of current collectable accounts in annual financial reports and records. The District will maintain historical data on these accounts outside the current accounts receivable inventory; however, the discharge does not relieve any individual's liability to the District. The customer's legal obligation to pay the debt remains. The District would reinstate the account to an active status and reinitiate collection actions prior to performing additional services should a property owner of one of these accounts request the District to re-establish and continue work on said project.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved this document to form.

Impact on Residents and Businesses

There is no impact upon existing residents or business.

SUPPLEMENTAL:

Additional Fiscal Information

There is no direct financial impact to the District. At the recommendation of its financial auditors, the District has moved these uncollectible accounts from the District's accounts receivable account to an allowance for uncollectible accounts receivable account for financial reporting purposes over the past few years. This gradually reduced the financial impact of the

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uncollectible accounts to zero for the District to allow for the write-off of these accounts in FY2021-22. This is a common industry practice related to accounts receivable management.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. Accounting of Uncollectible Accounts
- 2. Resolution F2021-42
- 3. Verification of Facts

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Board of Supervisors

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RESOLUTION NO. F2021-42

<u>A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE</u> <u>RIVERSIDE COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT TO</u> <u>AUTHORIZE THE DISCHARGE OF ACCOUNTABILITY FOR UNCOLLECTIBLE ACCOUNTS</u> <u>RECEIVABLE</u>

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 25257 of the Government Code, any department, officer or employee of a county charged by law with the collection of any county money that is due and payable to the county for any reason may apply to the county board of supervisors for a discharge from accountability for the collection thereof if, among other reasons, the likelihood of collection does not warrant the expense involved; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 48-10 of the Water Code Appendix, the Board of Supervisors of the Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District ("District") is vested with the same powers and shall perform the same duties for the District that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside has by law; and

WHEREAS, the District has received an application for a discharge from accountability for the collection of money due to the District; and

WHEREAS, the District has made every effort to collect on the accounts receivable for the services provided by and billed by the District that are the subject of the application; and

WHEREAS, the names of the persons liable for those accounts receivable and the amounts owed by each are listed in Exhibit A attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, third party contractual and negotiated arrangements with the parties prohibit the collection of the balance on accounts by contract; and

WHEREAS, and due to the foregoing, the likelihood of collection does not warrant the expense involved; and

WHEREAS, the total amount owing on the receivables listed in Exhibit A is \$ 443,688.65; and

WHEREAS, during an internal audit of the District, the Auditor-Controller reviewed the accounts receivable listed in Exhibit A and recommended that the District request a discharge for those receivables;

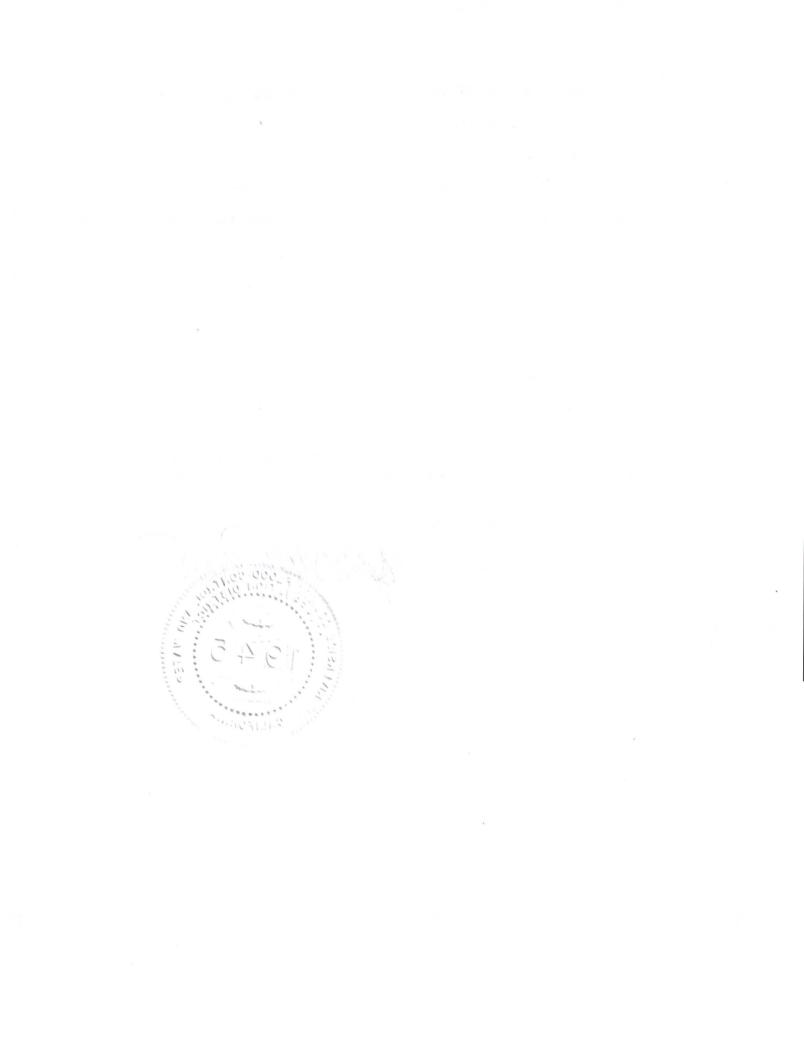
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1	NOW, THI	EREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DETERMINED, AND ORDERED by the Board of	
2	Supervisors of the l	Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District ("Board") assembled	
3	in regular session o	n December 14, 2021, in the meeting room of the Board of Supervisors located on the	
4	1 st floor of the Cou	nty Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon Street, Riverside, California, that a discharge	
5	from accountability	v for the collection of the receivables listed in Exhibit A attached hereto is hereby	
6	granted.		
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9	ROLL CALL:		
10	Ayes: Nays:	Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Hewitt None	
11	Absent:	None	
12	The forea	oing is certified to be a true copy of a resolution	
13	The foregoing is certified to be a true copy of a resolution duly adopted by said Board of Supervisors on the date therein set forth. Kecia R. Harper, Clerk of said Board		
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ATTACHMENT A

Uncollectible Accounts Receivable

Customer	Name	Case #	Invoice Dates	Amount	BANKRUPT
FC-000208 Total	PSOMAS	PP18492	2008	9,062.86	
FC-000843 Total	BARRATT CORPORATION	TR33170	2008	8,442.52	Yes
FC-001208 Total	DESERT COVE GOLF RESORT LLC	DESERT VILLAS	2007/2008	10,672.82	100
FC-001227 Total	J.D. DIFFENBAUGH, INC.	CUP-PA-02-033	2003/2004	5,420.34	Yes
FC-001244 Total	WALKING HORSE RANCH OPER ACCT	TR27580-3	2005	8,917.66	105
FC-001253 Total	FIESTA TERRA VISTA	TR25316	2007/2008	15,102.20	
FC-001281 Total	EMPIRE LAND LLC - MORENO VALLE	TEMESCAL CANYON-KNABE RD SD	2008	7,300.68	Yes
FC-001284 Total	SUMMIT ACCOUNTING & ADMINISTRATION	WINCHESTER HILLS 63 CFD	2006/2007	33,327.93	
FC-001449 Total	SAN JACINTO HOMES 91, LLC	SAN JAC MDP LINE G & G-3	2007	14,609.14	TOWNERS AND
FC-001489 Total	THE BERGMAN COMPANIES II	ARROYO DEL TORO CHANNEL	2006	8,836.76	103
FC-001504 Total	ROY VANDER KALLEN	TR31630	2006	8,602.24	
FC-001634 Total	DH HIDDEN SPRINGS LLC	CUP03474/PM34144	2007	6,100.88	
FC-001649 Total	SCC ACQUISITIONS, INC.	PM32971	2007/08	32,092.37	Vec
FC-001671 Total	TANDIS HOMES	TR31817	2007/00	10,754.95	168
FC-001676 Total	RCH PROPERTIES-IV, LLC	TR33302	2007	8,396.70	
and the second se	KENSINGTON WEST LLC	SUN CITY-REGENT LANE SD-STG 4	2007		
FC-001697 Total	DFC FAMILY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP	TR32489	2007	11,271.44	
FC-001713 Total	BARRATT AMERICA	TR33145	2009	5,041.66	🗸 🖌 de la constante de
FC-001741 Total	ED & NANCY DUFRESNE	PM32159/PP19224		14,876.03	Yes
FC-001742 Total	LAKE MATHEWS VENTURE, LLC	TR30153/MS04093	2007/2008	8,623.15	
	OCEAN SPRINGS	GREEN VALLEY-ROMOLAND MDP LN A	2008	6,276.79	
	BC CHRISTENSEN RANCH LLC	TR32628	2008	15,140.81	
	GMX CONSTRUCTION	TR31993	2007/2008	19,710.75	Yes
	MONTE VISTA RANCH	TR32024	2008	10,252.35	
FC-001804 Total	SUNBELT DEVELOPMENT	PP19414	2008	14,830.85	
	EMBREE CONSTRUCTION GROUP	CUP3526	2007/2008	12,690.21	
	MAMCO CONSTRUCTION	CUP3526 CUP3480	2008	5,361.99	
	SIENNA VILLAS		2008	5,222.00	
FC-001880 Total	PALUMBO FAMILY TRUST	CUP03504R1	2008	10,986.73	
FC-001884 Total	PROCINCTU GROUP INC	PP21591	2009	8,231.98	
FC-001885 Total	CT REALTY	PUP885	2009	6,802.69	
	WESTCAP MORENO VALLEY LAND, LLC	TR30047	2009	13,226.24	
	DOS LLC	TR30921	2009	12,277.30	
	DOS LLC DTM CONSTRUCTION	TR33324	2009	16,721.04	
		TR33177	2009	10,327.17	
	LAKE DEVELOPMENT GROUP	CUP03537/PM35273	2009	9,508.13	
	PAUL PECK & ASSOCIATES	PP13663R1	2010	7,925.64	
	CADO MENIFEE, LLC	TR34037	2016	17,986.60	
	VLP CAPITAL, INC.	TR31879 34552 34553	2016/17	12,757.05	
Grand Total				443,688.65	