ORDINANCE NO. 2024-01

ORDINANCE FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LIVERMORE-AMADOR VALLEY WATER MANAGEMENT AGENCY REGARDING BOARD MEMBER COMPENSATION FOR MEETING ATTENDANCE

WHEREAS, the Livermore-Amador Valley Water Management Agency ("LAVWMA") is a joint powers agency formed pursuant to the Amended and Restated Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement for the Livermore-Amador Valley Water Management Agency dated July 21, 1997; and

WHEREAS, LAVWMA has regular meetings of its Board of Directors on a quarterly basis; and

WHEREAS, the Chair of the Livermore-Amador Valley Water Management Agency may call special meetings for the Board of Directors when necessary; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Joint Exercise of Powers Act, Government Code Section 6502, LAVWMA may jointly exercise any power common to its member agencies; and

WHEREAS, the cities of Pleasanton and Livermore may compensate their officials pursuant to Government Code 36516; and

WHEREAS, Dublin San Ramon Services District may compensate its officials pursuant to the Community Services District Law, Government Code Section 61047 and Water Code 20200 *et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, on November 15, 1979, the LAVWMA Board of Directors opted to exercise the common power to compensate its Directors and adopted Resolution 79-10, which authorized the Directors to be compensated fifty dollars (\$50) per LAVWMA Board meeting; and

WHEREAS, the compensation rate for LAVWMA's Directors has not been adjusted by LAVWMA in the intervening 45 years; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to update the policy regarding Director compensation for attendance of meetings; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Water Code section 20203 and Government Code section 6066, a public hearing was held on November 20, 2024, at 6:00 pm, and a notice of said hearing was duly published in the newspaper once a week for two weeks prior to the public hearing.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Directors of the Livermore-Amador Valley Water Management Agency, as follows:

SECTION 1. ORDINANCE

(A). Purpose.

This ordinance is enacted for the purpose of establishing compensation for members of the Livermore-Amador Valley Water Management Agency ("LAVWMA") Board of Directors for service rendered in their official capacity as a Director of LAVWMA.

(B). Compensation.

The daily compensation for all members of the Board of Directors of the Livermore-Amador Valley Water Management Agency shall be two hundred dollars (\$200) for service rendered in their official capacity.

(C). Official Service.

The following activities shall be considered service rendered in an official capacity that is eligible for compensation under this Ordinance:

- 1) Attendance by any Director at a meeting of LAVWMA, whether regular, special, or emergency.
- 2) Attendance by any Director at a committee meeting of LAVWMA.
- 3) Attendance at orientation, educational activities, site visits, trainings, and briefings for Board member(s) organized by LAVWMA staff.
- 4) Attendance by any Director in their official capacity as a LAVWMA Board member at meetings, conferences, seminars, educational events, regional meetings, committee meetings, and trainings located in the State of California or webinars of the following agencies and organizations and their committees:
 - a. East Bay Dischargers Authority (EBDA)
 - b. Alameda or Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors
 - c. Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB)
 - d. Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)
 - e. California Legislature
 - f. League of California Cities (Cal Cities)
 - g. California Special District Association (CSDA)
 - h. Alameda County Special Districts Association (ACSDA)
 - i. California Association of Sanitation Agencies (CASA)
 - j. Bay Area Clean Water Agencies (BACWA)
 - k. Water Education Foundation (WEF)
- 5) All other activities must be approved by the Board and compensation specifically authorized in order to be considered service rendered in an official capacity that is eligible for compensation under this Ordinance.

(D). Number of Days

- The number of days for which the Directors of LAVWMA may receive compensation shall not exceed six (6) days per calendar month, combined between attendance at meetings of the LAVWMA Board, committee meetings, or other service in their official capacity as a Director of LAVWMA.
- 2) Compensation for days of travel will only be provided if such travel days are reasonably necessary to attend the meeting or activity. Travel days are considered reasonably necessary if attendance at the meeting or activity would require travel outside the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on the actual beginning or ending days of the activity. Unless specifically approved by the Board, a Director will not be eligible for compensation for more than any one travel day before the beginning, nor more than any one travel day after the end of the activity attended, respectively.

(E). Payment

The Livermore-Amador Valley Water Management Agency shall pay all Board members per day for service rendered in their official capacity as a Director of LAVWMA.

SECTION 2. PUBLICATION

This Ordinance shall be published once within thirty (30) days after adoption in a newspaper of general circulation printed, published, and circulated in LAVWMA's jurisdiction.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE

Pursuant to Water Code 20204, this Ordinance shall become effective 60 days from the date of its approval, which shall be April 20, 2025.

SECTION 4. PETITION TO PROTEST

As required by Water Code Section 20204, if a written petition protesting the adoption of this Ordinance is presented to the Board of Directors by April 20, 2025, this ordinance shall be suspended, and the Board of Directors of LAVWMA shall reconsider this Ordinance.

SECTION 5. REPEAL AND AMENDMENT

This Ordinance supersedes all prior policies on compensation for meeting attendance, including, but not limited, to Resolution 79-10. This Ordinance may be repealed or amended at any time in the future by a majority vote of the Board of Directors of LAVWMA.

SECTION 6. SEVERABILITY

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of the Ordinance. This Board declares that it would have adopted this Ordinance and each and every section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase not declared invalid or unconstitutional without regard to whether any portion of the Ordinance would be subsequently declared invalid or unconstitutional.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 19th day of February, 2025.

LIVERMORE-AMADOR VALLEY WATER MANAGEMENT AGENCY

By:

Arun Goel, Chair

ATTEST:

MM By:

Levi Fuller, Jr., General Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

M.B

General Counsel

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I, Levi Fuller, Board Clerk of LAVWMA, certify Ordinance No. 2024-01 was introduced to the Board at a meeting held on November 20, 2024, and subsequently passed and adopted by the Board at a regular meeting held on February 19, 2025 by the following vote:

AYES: 5 NOES: 1 ABSENT: ABSTAIN:

enfull. Board Clerk

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