

RESOLUTION NO. 20-419

**RESOLUTION OF THE SAN SIMEON COMMUNITY SERVICES
DISTRICT TO TEMPORARILY AUTHORIZE INCREASED
AUTHORITY OF THE GENERAL MANAGER AND TEMPORARY
RELIEF FOR NONPAYMENT OF WATER/SEWER BILLS**

Recitals

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, the Governor of the State of California declared a State of Emergency to exist in California as a result of the threat of Novel Coronavirus 2019 (“COVID-19”); and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, the Governor issued Executive Order N-25-20 in further response to the spread of COVID-19, mandating compliance with state and local public health officials as pertains to measures to control the spread of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the San Luis Obispo County Health Officer declared a public health emergency and the County Emergency Services Director also proclaimed a local emergency due to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2020, the San Luis Obispo County Public Health Department announced the first confirmed case of COVID-19 in San Luis Obispo County, and additional cases have since been confirmed; and

WHEREAS, the health, safety and welfare of San Simeon Community Services District (“District”) residents, businesses, visitors and staff are of utmost importance to the Board of Directors (“Board”), and additional future measures may be needed to protect the community; and

WHEREAS, preparing for, responding to, mitigating, and recovering from the spread of COVID-19 may require the District to divert resources from normal day-to-day operations and it may impose extraordinary requirements on and expenses to the District; and

WHEREAS, the District General Manager (“General Manager”) currently has spending authority up to \$5,000.00, without prior Board approval in addition to limited authority related to personnel matters; and

WHEREAS, in the absence of Board action, strict compliance with certain District rules and ordinances could prevent, hinder, or delay appropriate actions to prevent and mitigate the effects of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, after consideration of all the facts reasonably available for review at the present time, the Board of Directors finds it in the best interest of the District to authorize the increase in General Manager spending authority to \$10,000, and up to \$15,000 upon authorization

from the President of the Board, and approves all acts necessary and appropriate to ensure the operation of the District.

WHEREAS, the Board understands that the closures of schools and other businesses due to COVID-19 is causing or may cause a financial hardship for many of its ratepayers and therefore will suspend discontinuation of services and make other accommodations for ratepayers experiencing a hardship during this emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the San Simeon Community Services District, as follows:

1. The Board of Directors authorizes an increase in the General Manager's spending authority to \$10,000, and up to \$15,000 upon authorization from the President of the Board.
2. The Board of Directors orders that the process to discontinue water or sewer service for nonpayment shall be suspended. Ratepayers experiencing a financial hardship should contact the District office.
3. The Board of Directors orders that all late fees for nonpayment of water or sewer service shall be waived. Ratepayers experiencing a financial hardship should contact the District office.
4. The Board of Directors orders that for ratepayers experiencing a financial hardship due to COVID-19, the General Manager is authorized to work with the ratepayer on an alternative payment schedule, or a deferral or reduction in payment plan for delinquent charges.
5. The General Manager may take all actions necessary, proper, and appropriate in his/her reasonable discretion to ensure the operation of the District, the safety of employees, and the safety of the public, including, but not limited to reasonable deviations from Board adopted Ordinances, Resolutions, Policies, and Procedures.
6. The authority vested in the General Manager by this resolution will be reviewed during each regularly scheduled Board meeting and otherwise terminate upon a declaration by the Governor that the State of Emergency has ended and the County Health Officer that the Public Health Emergency has ended and the County Emergency Services Director that the Local Emergency has ended.

ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Simeon Community Services District on April 22, 2020, by the following roll call votes:

AYES: Carson, Kellas, Maurer

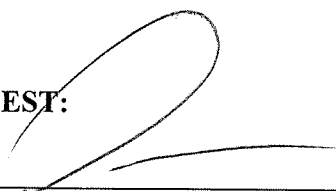
NOES: Russell
ABSENT: \emptyset
ABSTAINED: \emptyset

The foregoing Resolution is hereby adopted this 22 day of April, 2020.



Gwen Kellas, acting Chairperson of the
Board of Directors

ATTEST:



Charles Grace, General Manager and
Secretary for the Board of Directors

**APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL EFFECT:**



Natalie F. Laacke, District Counsel

On March 20, 2020, at a Special Meeting, the Board of Directors approved Resolution 20-419 in response to the COVID19 pandemic. On April 22, 2020 the Board approved a second version of Resolution 20-419 which had been modified. Both versions of the Resolution are part of this file. The final version is the April 22, 2020 signed resolution.

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WHEREAS, the District General Manager (“General Manager”) currently has spending authority up to \$5,000.00, without prior Board approval in addition to limited authority related to personnel matters; and

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WHEREAS, after consideration of all the facts reasonably available for review at the present time, the Board of Directors finds it in the best interest of the District to authorize the increase in General Manager spending authority to \$10,000, and up to \$15,000 upon authorization

from the President of the Board, and approves all acts necessary and appropriate to ensure the operation of the District.

WHEREAS, the Board understands that the closures of schools and other businesses due to COVID-19 is causing or may cause a financial hardship for many of its ratepayers and therefore will suspend discontinuation of services and make other accommodations for ratepayers experiencing a hardship during this emergency.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the San Simeon Community Services District, as follows:

1. The Board of Directors declares a State of Emergency to exist in San Simeon as a result of the threat of Novel Coronavirus 2019 (“COVID-19”)
2. The Board of Directors authorizes an increase in the General Manager’s spending authority to \$10,000, and up to \$15,000 upon authorization from the President of the Board.
3. The Board of Directors orders that the process to discontinue water or sewer service for nonpayment shall be suspended for ninety (90) days from the date of adoption of this Resolution.
4. The Board of Directors orders that all late fees for nonpayment of water or sewer service shall be waived for ninety (90) days from the date of adoption of this Resolution.
5. The Board of Directors orders that for ratepayers experiencing a financial hardship due to COVID-19, the General Manager is authorized to work with the ratepayer on an alternative payment schedule, or a deferral or reduction in payment plan for delinquent charges for ninety (90) days or more.
6. The General Manager may take all actions necessary, proper, and appropriate in his/her reasonable discretion to ensure the operation of the District, the safety of employees, and the safety of the public, including, but not limited to reasonable deviations from Board adopted Ordinances, Resolutions, Policies, and Procedures.
7. The authority vested in the General Manager by this resolution will terminate upon a declaration by the Governor that the State of Emergency has ended and the County Health Officer that the Public Health Emergency has ended and the County Emergency Services Director that the Local Emergency has ended.

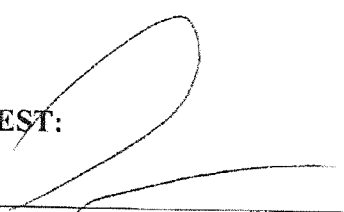
ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the San Simeon Community Services District on March 20, 2020, by the following roll call votes:

AYES: *McGuire, Kellas, Carson, Maurer*
NOES: *Russell*
ABSENT:
ABSTAINED:

The foregoing Resolution is hereby adopted this 20 day of March, 2020.

M. M. McGuire
Mary Margaret McGuire, Chairperson of the Board of Directors

ATTEST:


Charles Grace, General Manager and Secretary for the Board of Directors

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL EFFECT:

Natalie F. Laacke
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