

# SUNNYSLOPE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

## ORDINANCE NO. 84

### AN ORDINANCE OF SUNNYSLOPE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT AMENDING POLICY 7020 TO INCREASE THE BOARD OF DIRECTOR COMPENSATION FOR ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS AND FOR SERVICES RENDERED AS A DIRECTOR BY REQUEST OF THE BOARD

Be it ordained by the Board of Directors of  
Sunnyslope County Water District  
as follows:

#### FINDINGS

Findings. The Sunnyslope County Water District (SSCWD) Board of Directors determines that each fact referenced in this section to be true and correct.

- A. Authority. This ordinance is enacted pursuant to Sections 20200 through 20207 of the California Water Code and Section 53000 of the Government Code.
- B. Adoption of this ordinance is not a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act per Article 20, Section 15378(b)(5) of the CEQA Guidelines as it is not a Project and is an organizational or administrative activity of a government agency that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.
- C. SSCWD is as a California Special District, formed pursuant to the California County Water District Act, §30000 et seq. in December of 1954. Under its principal enabling act, SSCWD Board of Directors are allowed to be compensated for their efforts pertaining to SSCWD business.
- D. The Board of Directors (Board) last amended the compensation of the Board on April 20, 2019.
- E. In April 2025, 6 years will have elapsed since the most recent amendment to Board member compensation. This Ordinance has an effective date of April 20, 2025, to accommodate an increase in compensation for the full 6-year period.
- F. The Water Code confers upon the Board the discretion to increase Board member compensation by five percent for each calendar year since the previous compensation adjustment.
- G. Reimbursement for expenses of Board members is subject to Sections 53232.2 and 53232.3 of the Government Code.

NOW THEREFORE be it ordained as follows:

**Section 1.** The foregoing findings are adopted by the Board of Directors as though set forth fully herein.

**Section 2.** Purpose of Ordinance. This Ordinance, in conformance with the California Water Code, amends and increases the compensation of the Board of Directors not exceeding a total of \$2,600 in any calendar month.

**Section 3. Policy Amended.** SSCWD Policy 7020 is amended to read in full as follows:

**7020: Board Compensation**

*7020.1 Members of the Board of Directors shall receive compensation, a “Director’s Fee,” for each day’s attendance at meetings of the Board, Committees, and other duties rendered as a Director by request of the Board. The compensation amounts are as follows:*

- A. \$260 for each day’s service attending Board Meetings.*
- B. \$195 for each day’s service attending Committee Meetings and other duties rendered by request of the Board.*
- C. \$130 per month for weekly check signing duties.*
- D. Monthly compensation shall not exceed \$2,600 per month.*
- E. Compensation will be paid monthly based on an approved Expense Report, submitted on a monthly basis, and should include a detailed listing of the meetings attended in that month.*
- F. Any business-related expenses incurred in the performance of his/her duties for items or services appropriately related to District business for expenses while travelling on approved District business should also be included on the monthly Expense Report submitted. See Policy § 8150 Expense Reimbursement for more detail.*

**Section 4. Severability.** If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, or superseded by some other provision of law, such provisions shall be severed from and shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions of this ordinance. The Board hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase thereof irrespective of the fact that any other part thereof be unconstitutional or invalid, or superseded by some other provision of law. The parts of this ordinance, which are not unconstitutional, invalid, or superseded, shall remain in full force and effect and shall be enforced according to their terms.

**Section 5. Interpretation.** Words and Phrases used in this ordinance shall be read conjunctively with and shall have the same meaning as in prior SSCWD ordinances and the SSCWD Code, unless specifically changed by this ordinance or unless the context requires some other construction. If there is any inconsistency between this ordinance and prior provisions, this ordinance shall control.

**Section 6. Effective Date.** This ordinance shall take effect April 20, 2025.

**Section 7. Publication and Posting.** Within 10 days after adoption, the SSCWD shall publish, in a newspaper published in San Benito County and circulated within the SSCWD, either a summary or the full text of this ordinance, and shall post in the SSCWD office a certified copy of the full text of this ordinance as adopted along with the names of those directors voting for and against adoption.

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On motion of Director \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Director \_\_\_\_\_, the foregoing Ordinance is enacted and shall take effect on **April 20, 2025**, by the following roll call of the Board:

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Edward J. Mauro, President

ATTEST:

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Drew A. Lander, Secretary

#### CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

The undersigned hereby certifies that the foregoing Ordinance was adopted and approved by the Board of Directors at their regular meeting on November 19, 2024.

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Drew A. Lander, Secretary