

**RESOLUTION NO. 2016-12-02 OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE BANNING LEWIS RANCH METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NOS. 4, 5 & 7
CONCERNING ANNUAL ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS
2017**

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Banning Lewis Ranch Metropolitan District Nos. 4, 5 & 7 (the "District") is to perform certain tasks on a recurring basis in the operation of the District;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Banning Lewis Ranch Metropolitan District Nos. 4, 5 & 7 within El Paso County, Colorado, as follows:

1. Contact Person. The Board directs the District Manager to notify the Board of County Commissioners, the County Assessor, the County Treasurer, the County Clerk and Recorder, the governing body of the municipality in which the District is located, if applicable, and the Division of Local Government of the name of the Chairman of the Board, the contact person located within the District, if available, telephone number and business address of the District on or before January 15, as required by Section 32-1-104(2), C.R.S. The Board hereby names the District Manager as the contact person within the District. The contact person is authorized, under C.R.S. 24-10-109(3)(b) to accept notices of claims against the District and, if any such claim is received must promptly notify the President of the Board and the attorney for the District of such receipt.

2. Map. The Board directs the District Manager to prepare an accurate map as specified by the Division of Local Government for filing with the Division, the County Assessor, and the County Clerk and Recorder on or before January 1, as required by Section 32-1-306, C.R.S.

3. Budget. The Board directs its Accountant and the District Manager to submit a proposed budget to the Board by October 15; to schedule a public hearing on the proposed budget; to prepare a final budget, budget resolution and budget message, the certification of mill levies, and any budget amendment(s) needed; to certify the mill levies on or before December 15; and to file the approved budget and amendment(s) with the proper governmental entities in accordance with the Local Government Budget Law of Colorado, Sections 29-1-101 to 29-1-115, C.R.S. If no mill levy is to be certified, such actions may be completed by December 31.

4. Intergovernmental Agreements. If the District receives a written request from the Division of Local Government, the Board directs the District Manager to prepare and file within thirty days of such request, an informational listing of all contracts in effect with other political subdivisions, in compliance with Section 29-1-205, C.R.S.

5. Notice to Electors (Transparency Notice). The Board directs that no more than sixty days prior to and not later than January 15, the District Manager will prepare and distribute the Notice to Electors pursuant to and in a matter prescribed by Section 32-1-809, C.R.S. The Board further directs that the Notice will be filed with the Division of Local Government and the County Clerk and Recorder and a copy made available for public inspection at the District's business office.

6. Annual Securities Report. If required, the Board directs the District's Accountant to prepare and file the annual public securities report for nonrated public securities issued by the District (if any), with the Department of Local Affairs on or before March 1, in accordance with Section 11-58-101 to 11-58-107, C.R.S.

7. Audit/Audit Exemption. The Board directs that an audit of the financial statements be prepared and submitted to the Board before June 30 and further directs that the Audit be filed with the State Auditor by July 31, as required by Section 29-1-603, C.R.S. In the event that the timetable will not be met, the auditor and District Accountant are directed to request extensions of time to file the audit as needed. If neither the revenues nor the expenditures for the past year exceed \$100,000 then the Board directs that a short form application for exemption from audit shall be prepared. If either revenues or expenditures are greater than \$100,000 but are less than or equal to \$750,000, then the Board directs that a long form application for exemption from audit shall be prepared. The short form or long form application shall be submitted to the Board and then filed with the State Auditor by March 31, as required by Section 29-1-604, C.R.S.

8. Unclaimed Property. The Board directs the District Manager to prepare the Unclaimed Property Act report and forward it to the State Treasurer by November 1 if there is District property presumed abandoned and subject to custody as unclaimed property, in accordance with Section 38-13-110, C.R.S.

9. Public Records. The Board designates the Board Secretary as the official custodian of public records as such term is used in Section 24-72-202, C.R.S., with the functions thereof hereby delegated to the District Manager as the custodian as defined in 24-72-202(1), C.R.S. The custodian is authorized to develop such procedures as may be reasonably required for the protection and retention of such records. On behalf of the District, the custodian may charge the maximum fees allowed by law for copies, research and retrieval, development of privilege log, and such other services as are authorized by law.

10. CORA Policy. Pursuant to Section 24-72-205, C.R.S., the Board has adopted a policy concerning research and retrieval fees for public records. The Board directs the District Manager to update the District's Notice to Electors (Transparency Notice) with the District's CORA policy information as required by the statute.

11. E-mail Policy. Pursuant to Section 24-72-204.5, C.R.S., the Board hereby adopts a written e-mail policy for District employees, if any, as follows:

A. All employees of the District may have access to the District's electronic mail communications system, if any, which access may include utilization of a District-assigned email address for use in both internal and external email communications.

B. Employees cannot expect a right of privacy in their use of the District's electronic communications system.

C. Employees understand, acknowledge and agree that all communications in the form of electronic mail may be considered a public record pursuant to the Colorado

Open Records Act (“CORA”) and may be subject to public inspection pursuant to C.R.S. Section 24-72-203 of CORA.

D. The District reserves the right to monitor an employee’s electronic mail communication(s) including, but not limited to, circumstances where the District, in its sole discretion, reasonably believes that such communication(s) may be considered a public record pursuant to C.R.S. Section 24-72-203 of CORA.

12. Fair Campaign Practices Act – Gifts and Honoraria. The Board is reminded that in accordance with the Fair Campaign Practices Act, each Board member is required to report to, and in a manner prescribed by, the Secretary of State certain items received in connection with their service, such report to be filed on or before January 15 of the year following receipt of the items, as required by Sections 1-45-109 and 24-6-203, C.R.S. No report needs to be filed unless a director receives \$25 or more in cash or loans, or real or personal property having a value of \$50 or more. Further, the Board is reminded that in accordance with C.R.S. Section 24-6-203, if a Board member receives annual compensation from the District of more than \$1,600, then the Board member is required to file a quarterly report in the prescribed manner with the Secretary of State.

13. Newspaper. The Board designates The Colorado Springs Daily Transcript as the newspaper of general circulation within the boundaries of the District, or in the vicinity of the District if none is circulated within the District, and directs that all legal notices shall be published in the afore named newspaper, in accordance with Section 32-1-103(15), C.R.S. If publication in such newspaper is impossible or impracticable, then any legal newspaper published in the county may be used as an alternative.

14. Director Compensation. The Board of Directors of the District determines that each director shall not receive compensation for services as directors.

15. Director Qualification. Pursuant to Section 32-1-901 C.R.S., the District determines that each present and future member of the Board shall have in the District files, with annual confirmation thereof by the District’s custodian of public records, a complete and executed Certificate of Appointment (if Board member is appointed), current Oath of Office and applicable Surety Bond, and that copies of each be submitted to the Division of Local Government and the District Court as necessary and as may be requested.

16. Officers. The District has elected, in accordance with Section 32-1-902, C.R.S., the following officers for the District:

President: Bruce Rau
Secretary/Treasurer: William Ritchie
Assistant Secretary: Chad M. Ellington
Assistant Secretary: Michael Tinlin
Assistant Secretary: Charles P. Leder

Unless the District acts to elect new officers, or an officer resigns his office, such officers shall serve indefinitely.

17. Director Indemnification. The Board of Directors of the District extends the current indemnification resolution to allow the resolution to continue in effect as written. In the event an indemnification resolution is not in effect, then the approval of this administrative matters resolution shall be deemed to authorize indemnification of the Directors of the District when acting in good faith within the scope of their duties and in the best interests of the District, to the fullest extent allowed by law.

18. Designated Posting Location. The Board of Directors of the District designates the following location as the designated posting place for the posting of meeting notices and the posting location for meeting agendas, if available, in accordance with Section 24-6-402(2)(c), C.R.S.: (1) NorthTree Ranch House – 6885 Vista del Pico, Colorado Springs, CO 80927; (2) Banning Lewis Ranch Academy, 7094 Cottonwood Tree Drive, Colorado Springs, CO 80297; and (3) the posting board in Pioneer Park at the northeast corner of Marksheffel and Cerro.

19. Meetings. The Board determines to hold regular meetings on January 26th, April 27th, July 27th, and November 9th, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. The location of the meetings will be at NorthTree Ranch House: 6885 Vista del Pico, Colorado Springs, CO 80927. In addition, regular and special meeting notices shall be posted at: the designated posting location as identified above; at least two other public places; and at the Clerk and Recorder's office, all in accordance with Section 32-1-903, C.R.S. The Board directs the District Manager to prepare notices for posting at three public locations within the boundaries of the District, one of which is the designated posting location, and at the Clerk and Recorder's office. Legal Counsel shall revise the notices when the Board intends to make a final determination to issue or refund general obligation indebtedness, to consolidate the District, to dissolve the District, to file a plan for adjustment of debt under federal bankruptcy law, or to enter into a private contract with a director, or not to make a scheduled bond payment.

20. Elections. Tom George of Spencer Fane is hereby appointed as the "Designated Election Official" of the Board for any elections to be held by the District. In accordance with C.R.S. Section 1-1-111(2), 13.5 of Title 1, C.R.S., or applicable law, the Board hereby grants all powers and authority for the proper conduct of the election to the Designated Election Official and that the election shall be held and conducted in accordance with the Local Government Election Code, applicable portions of the Uniform Election Code of 1992, as amended and supplemented by Const. Colo. Art. X, Sec 20, the Current Rules and Regulations Governing Election Procedures of the Secretary of State of the state of Colorado, and Title 32, Article 1, Part 8, Colorado Revised Statutes, and other relevant Colorado and federal law. Further, the Board directs the Designated Election Official to notify the Division of Local Government of the results of any election held by the District, including business address, telephone number and the contact person; and to certify the results of any election to incur general obligation indebtedness to the Board of County Commissioners or the governing body of a municipality, in accordance with Sections 1-11-103, 32-1-104(1), and 32-1-1101.5, C.R.S.

21. Independent Mail Ballot Elections. The Board deems it expedient for the convenience of the electors that all regular and special elections of the District shall be conducted as an independent mail ballot election in accordance with Section 1-13.5-1101, C.R.S., unless a polling place election is deemed necessary and expressed in a separate election resolution.

22. Notice of Indebtedness. In accordance with C.R.S. Sections 32-1-1604 and 1101.5(1), the Board directs the District Accountant and District Manager to issue notice of indebtedness to the Board of County Commissioners and to record such notice with the County Clerk and Recorder within 30 days of incurring or authorizing of any indebtedness.

23. Quinquennial Findings. If requested, the Board directs Legal Counsel to prepare and file with the Board of County Commissioners, the quinquennial finding of reasonable diligence, in accordance with Section 32-1-1101.5(1.5)&(2), C.R.S.

24. Annual Report. If requested or required, the Board directs the District Manager to prepare and file the special district annual report, in accordance with Sections 32-1-207(3)(c), C.R.S.

25. Disclosure of Potential Conflict of Interest. The Board has determined that Legal Counsel may file general conflict of interest disclosure forms, if any, provided by board members with the Secretary of State each year, which forms may be updated on an annual basis through information given to Legal Counsel by board members. If a specific conflict arises regarding a certain transaction of the Board, the Board member is required to notify Legal Counsel at least five days prior to the date of the meeting so that the transactional disclosure form may be filed in a timely manner, in accordance with Sections 32-1-902(3) and 18-8-308, C.R.S. Additionally, at the beginning of every term, Legal Counsel may request that each board member submit information regarding actual or potential conflicts of interest.

26. Special District Association. If the District is currently a member of the Special District Association (“SDA”) and the Board directs its District Accountant and District Manager to pay the annual SDA membership dues in a timely manner.

27. Insurance. The Board directs the District Manager to at least biannually review all insurance policies and coverage in effect to determine appropriate insurance coverage is maintained.

28. Promissory Notes. The District has no outstanding promissory note(s).

29. Outstanding General Obligation Indebtedness. The District has no outstanding general obligation bonds or multiple fiscal year financial obligations.

30. Continuing Disclosure. The District Accountant shall provide continuing disclosure service if and as applicable to the bonds and other financial obligations of the District.

31. Workers’ Compensation. Pursuant to Section 8-40-202(1)(a)(I)(B), C.R.S., the elected and appointed officials of the District shall not be deemed to be an employee within the meaning of Section 8-40-202(1)(a), C.R.S. Such exclusion shall apply for all policy years until such time as the exclusion may be repealed by the Board of Directors of the District or unless the District Manager at the direction of the Board acquires coverage.

32. PDPA. Pursuant to the provisions of the Colorado Public Deposit Protection Act §11-10.5-101, et seq., C.R.S., the Board appoints CliftonLarsonAllen LLP as the official custodian of public deposits.

33. Public Disclosure Statement. Pursuant to C.R.S. Section 32-1-104.8, the Board directs Legal Counsel to prepare and record a special district public disclosure document, including a map showing the boundaries of the District, with the County Clerk and Recorder. Such recording shall have been made on or before December 31, 2014, or as soon as practical after the approval of this Resolution, and at the same time as any subsequent order or decree approving an inclusion of property into the District is recorded with the County Clerk and Recorder.

34. Water or Sewer Rates. The Board directs that any Board action to fix or increase fees, rates, tolls, penalties or charges for domestic water or sanitary sewer service rates will be taken after consideration at a public meeting. Such public meeting will be held at least thirty days after providing notice to the customers receiving the water or sewer services from the District. Notice will be made pursuant to and in a matter prescribed by Section 32-1-1001(2)(a), C.R.S.

35. Undocumented Worker Certification. In compliance with C.R.S. Section 8-17.5-101 *et seq.*, the Board directs that each existing and prospective service contract entered into by the District must contain specific language regarding the prohibition of the use of illegal aliens to perform work under a public contract for services.

36. Inclusions/Exclusions of Property. The Board directs Legal Counsel to handle all procedures required under the Colorado state statutes regarding the inclusion and exclusion of property into and out of the District's boundaries.

37. Underground and Aboveground Storage Tanks. If applicable, the Board directs the District Manager to register and renew annually all underground and/or aboveground storage tanks with the state inspector of oils.

38. Underground Facility Locating. If applicable, the Board directs the District Manager to provide accurate information regarding the boundaries of the District's service area, the type of underground facility that may be encountered within such service area, and the name, address and telephone number of a person who shall be the designated contact person for the information regarding the District's underground facilities along with information concerning underground facilities that the District owns or operates which are not located within the designated service area to the Utility Notification Center of Colorado. The Board further authorizes the District to maintain its membership in the notification association as a "Tier 2" member, if applicable.

39. Recording of Conveyances of Real Property to the District. Pursuant to C.R.S 38-35-109.5(2), Legal Counsel is designated as an appropriate official to record conveyances of real property to the District within 30 days of such conveyance.

40. Ratification of Past Actions. The Board members have reviewed the minutes of every meeting of the Board conducted in 2016, and the Board, being fully advised of the premises, hereby ratifies and affirms each and every action of the Board taken in 2016.

41. Emergency Liaison Officer. The Board designates the President of the District, in his/her capacity as elected official for the District, as the Emergency Liaison Officer responsible for facilitating the cooperation and protection of the District in the work of disaster prevention, preparedness, response, and recovery with the Colorado Office of Emergency Management and any local disaster agencies. The Emergency Liaison Officer shall have the authority to designate such agents as (s)he shall determine appropriate to perform any and all acts necessary to facilitate the responsibilities of the Emergency Liaison Officer.

42. Dates Herein. All dates set forth in this Resolution shall be in 2017 unless otherwise specified.

43. This Resolution shall be deemed renewed each year until terminated or a new resolution is adopted.


Adopted and approved this 17th day of November, 2016.

BANNING LEWIS RANCH METROPOLITAN
DISTRICT NOS. 4, 5 & 7

By: 

President

ATTEST:

By: 

Secretary