

PLANTATION ACRES IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, June 25th, 2026
1701 NW 112th Avenue, Plantation, FL 33323

MEMBERS' PRESENT:

Chairman Jorge Santana
Vice Chair Pete Gilmore
Commissioner William Beazley
Commissioner Charlie Kine
Commissioner Lance Fein

PRESENT:

Jake Schiff, District Attorney Representative
Bealinda Pell, District Engineer
Deborah Smith, District Accountant
Carmen Mirones, District Manager

CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL: Chairman Santana called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. A roll call was conducted, confirming that all listed members were present. A quorum was established.

APPROVAL OF ATTENDANCE OF COMMISSIONERS BY SOCIAL MEDIA (ZOOM) OR TELEPHONE:

Zoom Meeting was not available for connectivity issues.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

I. The minutes of the Regular Meeting held on May 28th, 2026, were presented for approval.

A Motion was made by Vice Chair Gilmore to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of May 28th, 2026, and seconded by Commissioner Beazley.

Chairman Jorge Santana	Yes
Vice Chair Peter Gilmore	Yes
Commissioner William Beazley	Yes
Commissioner Charlie Kline	Yes

The Motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes May 28th, was approved unanimously. (4-0).

II. The minutes of the Special Meeting held on June 10th, 2026, were presented for approval.

A Motion was made by Vice Chair Gilmore to approve the Special Meeting Minutes of June 10th, 2026, and seconded by Commissioner Beazley.

Chairman Jorge Santana	Yes
Vice Chair Peter Gilmore	Yes
Commissioner William Beazley	Yes
Commissioner Charlie Kline	Yes

The Motion to approve the Special Meeting Minutes June 10th, 2026, was approved unanimously. (4-0).

Resident Mark Mooney - 11381 SW 1st Street, stated that because the Special Meeting involved presentation of the proposed Fiscal Year 2026-2027 budget, he believed residents should clearly understand whether the budget discussed during that meeting remained active or whether revisions would continue before adoption.

Resident Mark Mooney expressed that the contents of those minutes could affect public understanding of future District finances and requested clarification regarding the status of the proposed budget.

Chairman Santana explained that, because the District would become a dependent district of the City of Plantation effective October 1, 2026, preparation of future operating budgets would become the responsibility of the City rather than the existing Board of Commissioners.

Vice Chair Gilmore stated the preliminary FY 2026-2027 budget was not submitted to the Broward County yet.

Resident Mark Mooney acknowledged the explanation.

STAFF REPORT

I. ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT:

District Accountant, Ms. Smith, was absent due to traffic delays.

A. APPROVAL OF THE CREDIT CARD REPORT FOR 5/09/2026 THROUGH 6/08/2026 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$12,101.65

Chairman Santana advised that the District was expecting a refund in the amount of \$4,749.51, which was not received yet.

District Manager Mirones confirmed the refund had not been issued and will follow up.

A Motion was made by Commissioner Gilmore to approve the Credit Card Report for the period 5/09/2026 through 6/08/2026 totaling \$12,101.65 and seconded by Commissioner Beazley.

Chairman Jorge Santana	Yes
Vice Chair Peter Gilmore	Yes
Commissioner William Beazley	Yes
Commissioner Charlie Kline	Yes

The Motion to approve the Credit Card Report for the period 5/09/2026 through 6/08/2026 totaling \$12,101.65 and was approved unanimously. (4-0).

B. PROFIT & LOSS STATEMENT FOR MAY 2026

The Board reviewed the Profit and Loss Statement for the month ending May 31, 2026.

Chairman Santana noted that the report was presented for informational purposes only and that no Board action was required.

Commissioners were provided with an opportunity to ask questions regarding the report.

No questions or comments were raised by the Board, and the report was received and filed.

C. BALANCE SHEET FOR MAY 1-31, 2026

The Board next reviewed the Balance Sheet as of May 31, 2026.

Vice Chair Gilmore asked about the Weedoo Amphi 6450 update on delivery date.

District Accountant Smith stated that she was informed it may arrive between the first or second week of July 2026. And advise that when it arrives an inspection will be carried out before final payment is submitted.

Commissioner Kline asked if the District has a trailer for its transportation.

Chairman Santana stated that the District has coordinated with the City for its transportation when arrival date is confirmed.

No further comments were made regarding the Balance Sheet.

The Board received the report for informational purposes and no action was taken.

D. TENTATIVE BUDGET 2026-2027 UPDATE

Chairman Santana stated there is no updated.

District Accountant Smith explained that the preliminary budget discussed during the June 10 meeting had not been submitted as a final adopted budget and that the City would prepare its own budget structure after assuming responsibility for District operations.

II. ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

District Attorney Representative, Jake Schiff stated there was nothing to report.

Chairman Santana reported that Legal Counsel explained that statutory requirements would govern whether a recount became necessary and advised that, based upon the available information, certification was anticipated shortly.

Commissioner Kline asked what the room for recount is.

Chairman Santana responded it had to be below 5% to proceed with it.

III. ENGINEER'S REPORT:

A. CONSENT ITEMS

None

B. QUASI-JUDICIAL ITEMS

None

C. BOARD ACTION ITEMS

None

D. DISCUSSION ITEMS

D1. Plantation Acres South (PAS) Drainage Improvements (D2511.01)

District Engineer Pell reported that engineering efforts continued to focus on the Plantation Acres South Drainage Improvement Project, specifically Phase I, which consists primarily of surveying, data collection, preliminary engineering evaluations, and coordination with the City of Plantation.

District Engineer Pell informed the Board that the Interlocal Agreement (ILA) governing the City's participation in a

portion of Phase I had been transmitted to the City of Plantation and placed on the City's agenda for consideration during its most recent City Council meeting.

Although official confirmation had not yet been received at the beginning of her report, discussion among Board members confirmed that the City Council had approved the agreement.

Following Chairman Santana confirmation of the City's approval, District Engineer Pell advised that the District could immediately proceed with execution of the surveying contract.

District Engineer Pell explained that before executing the agreement she intended to coordinate directly with Jason Nunemaker, representing the City of Plantation, to ensure every required administrative approval had been completed and that both governmental entities were prepared to begin the project simultaneously.

District Engineer Pell stated that, provided no unforeseen administrative issues arose, field survey operations were expected to begin on or about July 1, 2026.

District Engineer Pell advised that survey crews were prepared to mobilize immediately following final authorization.

District Engineer Pell explained that Phase I represented the initial engineering component necessary to obtain accurate topographic information, drainage elevations, right-of-way information, existing utility locations, and field conditions that would ultimately support the preparation of future design plans for long-term drainage improvements within Plantation Acres South.

D2. Permit Activity (D9408.02 & D9408.03)

District Engineer Pell reported that Fifteen (15) permits had been approved during the reporting period.

District Engineer Pell explained Permit activity included a variety of residential improvements and construction projects, including but not limited to:

- Residential additions;
- Driveway improvements;
- Swimming pools;
- Fence installations;
- Accessory structures;
- Demolition permits.

District Engineer Pell explained that each permit had been reviewed for compliance with applicable District drainage requirements, grading regulations, canal maintenance easements, culvert standards, and engineering criteria prior to approval.

District Engineer Pell reminded the Board that District review focused specifically on drainage, grading, easements, culverts, and flood protection requirements and that applicants remained responsible for obtaining all additional permits required by the City of Plantation and other regulatory agencies.

District Engineer Pell also reported that No Certificates of Occupancy were approved during the reported period. She explained that while several projects remained under construction, none had yet reached the stage where final engineering inspections and District certification had been completed.

District Engineer Pell reminded Commissioners that issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy required verification that

final grading, drainage elevations, culvert installation, and all applicable engineering conditions had been satisfied before District approval could be granted.

D4. Violation Activity (D9611.01)

District Engineer Pell provided then presented a detailed review of all active code compliance matters currently being monitored by the District. She explained that each violation remained under active review and that District staff continued coordinating with property owners, contractors, and City officials where necessary to achieve voluntary compliance whenever possible.

- ⇒ **12350 NW 10th Street**, an update was provided regarding the property which involved construction of a residential garage. She reminded Commissioners that this property had previously been discussed during earlier Board meetings. The property owner remained subject to a compliance deadline scheduled for October 2026. Ms. Pell advised that District staff continue monitoring the project to ensure all engineering requirements would be completed before expiration of the established deadline expired.
- ⇒ **1201 NW 118th Avenue**, the This case involved construction of an accessory dwelling unit (cottage). Ms. Pell explained that engineering review had determined that the finished floor elevation did not comply with District requirements, creating concerns regarding flood protection and drainage standards. Because the structure failed to satisfy required elevation criteria, the matter remained under review while the City determined whether the structure could remain.
- ⇒ **11781 NW 26th Street**, advised that the property owner had constructed a driveway without first obtaining the required District permit. District staff had previously issued written correspondence advising the owner of the violation and requesting corrective action. Despite those notices, the property owner had not responded. The District Engineer Pell advised that because voluntary compliance had not been achieved, the matter would likely be forwarded for additional discussion during the following month's meeting.
- ⇒ **11811 SW 3rd Street**, the District Engineer advised that the necessary permit had since been approved. Construction activities were continuing in accordance with the approved plans and reported that the property owner remained cooperative throughout the permitting process and was actively working toward full compliance with all engineering requirements. Because the owner had demonstrated good-faith efforts to comply with District regulations, no further enforcement measures were considered necessary at that time.

IV. DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT:

District Manager Mirones presented the District Manager's Report and provided an overview of maintenance operations, equipment utilization, rainfall data, and ongoing field projects completed during the reporting period.

⇒ **Routine Maintenance Activities**

District Manager Mirones reported that that field personnel had completed the maintenance work previously identified during the May Board Meeting along the C-1 Canal, specifically behind the property located at 1701 SW 1st Street. She advised that District maintenance crew successfully removed overgrown vegetation, volunteer trees, bushes, and other obstructions that had accumulated within the canal maintenance corridor. The work restored the accessibility of the maintenance easement and improved the District's ability to conduct future inspections and maintenance activities.

District Manager Mirones explained that maintaining unobstructed canal easements remains critical to ensuring emergency access during storm events, routine vegetation control, and the long-term preservation of the District's drainage infrastructure.

Chairman Santana acknowledged completion of the project and noted that this work represented one of several maintenance items previously requested by the Board.

⇒ **C-2A Canal Maintenance Access**

District Manager Mirones further reported that crew removed heavy vegetation and cleared a continuous access path to allow maintenance equipment to travel safely along the canal bank. The completed work restored full accessibility for future canal inspections, mowing operations, vegetation removal, and emergency maintenance activities.

Commissioners discussed the importance of maintaining continuous access throughout the District's canal system, particularly during hurricane season when rapid response may become necessary.

⇒ **Water Quality Monitoring**

District Manager Mirones next provided an update regarding the laboratory testing previously authorized by the Board for canal water quality analysis. She reminded Commissioners that water samples collected from the District's canal system had been submitted to an independent laboratory for chemical analysis. The purpose of the testing was to evaluate constituent concentrations and determine whether any parameters exceeded accepted environmental or public health standards.

District Manager Mirones reported that laboratory results indicated that the measured barium concentration remained well below the maximum contaminant level established for drinking water, confirming that the detected concentration fell within accepted safety guidelines.

Although District canals are not intended to serve as potable water sources, the testing demonstrated that no unusual concentrations of barium had been identified during the analysis.

Commissioners discussed the results and acknowledged that the laboratory findings provided reassurance regarding recent public questions concerning canal water quality.

Chairman Santana reiterated that the testing confirmed the District's earlier statements that no abnormal conditions had been identified.

⇒ **Trash Rack Maintenance Program**

District Manager Mirones advised that District field personnel continue performing routine inspections and cleaning of all trash racks located throughout the District's drainage system.

District Manager Mirones explained that trash rack maintenance represents one of the District's most important preventive maintenance activities because accumulated debris can significantly restrict water flow into pump stations during heavy rainfall events.

District maintenance crew continued removing vegetation, floating debris, litter, and organic material from each structure on a scheduled basis.

District Manager Mirones stated that this work continued without interruption throughout the reporting period.

⇒ **Pump Station Operations**

District Manager Mirones reported that all six District pump stations continued operating normally throughout the reporting period.

Routine operational testing had been completed in accordance with the District's preventive maintenance schedule. Each station was inspected to verify proper operation of diesel engines, pumps, electrical components, control systems, alarms,

fuel systems, and associated mechanical equipment.

District Manager Mirones advised that no significant operational deficiencies had been identified during the monthly inspections.

⇒ **Engine Oil Analysis**

District Manager Mirones informed the Board that engine oil samples collected from all six pump stations had been submitted to Pantropic Power for laboratory analysis. She explained that periodic oil analysis allows the District to monitor internal engine conditions without dismantling equipment and assists in identifying abnormal wear before mechanical failures occur.

Pantropic completed laboratory testing on each submitted sample. According to the laboratory reports, no abnormal mechanical conditions were detected. The testing indicated that engine components remained in satisfactory operating condition and that no evidence of excessive internal wear, contamination, coolant intrusion, or lubrication failure had been identified.

Chairman Santana noted that protecting these aging engines through proactive maintenance remained one of the District's highest operational priorities.

⇒ **Emergency Lighting Systems**

District Manager Mirones next reported that all emergency lighting systems installed within the District's six pump stations had undergone preventive maintenance during the reporting period. Specifically, maintenance personnel replaced the emergency light batteries at every pump station to ensure that emergency lighting would function properly during electrical outages or emergency operating conditions. She explained that maintaining reliable emergency lighting protects employees performing nighttime operations and improves safety during storm events when commercial power interruptions may occur.

⇒ **Carburetor Calibration Project**

District Manager Mirones advised that the District had begun coordinating with Pantropic regarding carburetor calibration services for the pump station engines. She explained that proper carburetor adjustment remains critical to maintaining efficient engine operation, fuel economy, and reliable emergency performance.

The District intended to schedule calibration services in accordance with Pantropic's recommendations to ensure continued operational reliability.

Chairman Santana agreed that the calibration project should proceed.

⇒ **June 16 Storm Response**

District Manager Mirones presented a detailed report concerning the severe rainfall event experienced on June 16, 2026. She advised that District personnel actively monitored pump station operations throughout the storm.

Maintenance crew remained in the field continuously for approximately four to five hours, observing canal elevations, monitoring pump performance, inspecting trash racks, and responding to changing field conditions.

District Manager Mirones reported that employee response time following activation of the emergency monitoring procedures averaged approximately 38 minutes, demonstrating excellent readiness by District personnel.

Chairman Santana commended the maintenance staff for their rapid response. He observed that water levels within one canal reportedly increased nearly four feet within approximately one hour, illustrating the intensity of the rainfall event. Despite those conditions, the District's drainage infrastructure functioned effectively. Pump stations remained operational throughout the event, allowing stormwater to be discharged as designed.

Chairman Santana specifically stated that the maintenance staff had performed "an awesome job" responding to the storm.

⇒ **Pump Station NO. 7 Community Outreach**

District Manager Mirones reminded the Board that the District conducted a public outreach event on June 20, 2026, regarding the proposed Pump Station No. 7 project. She explained that the purpose of the meeting was to provide residents with information concerning the proposed project, answer questions, address concerns, and encourage public participation before future engineering decisions were made.

District Manager Mirones advised that residents were provided an opportunity to discuss project objectives directly with District representatives.

⇒ **Monthly District Newsletter**

District Manager Mirones informed the Board that staff had begun exploring development of a monthly District newsletter intended to improve communication with residents. The proposed newsletter would summarize ongoing maintenance activities, engineering projects, permitting updates, community meetings, emergency preparedness information, and other District operations.

Chairman Santana commented that the concept remained under consideration.

Pump Station Operating Hours

District Manager Mirones presented the monthly operating-hour readings for each of the District's six pump stations and provided a comparison to the previous reporting period.

The reported operating-hour totals were as follows:

Runtime hours:

Pump 1= 4213	Last Mo. = 4197	Difference= 16
Pump 2= 4239	Last Mo. = 4234	Difference= 5
Pump 3= 4267	Last Mo. = 4238	Difference= 29
Pump 4= 4030	Last Mo. = 4007	Difference= 23
Pump 5= 5160	Last Mo. = 5146	Difference= 14
Pump 6= 3983	Last Mo. = 3968	Difference= 15

Rainfall

This Month = 11.00"

Last Month = 6.50"

Fleet

2016 F-250

Mileage=	101,613	Last Mo. =	101,054	Difference=	559
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2018 F-150

Mileage=	127,879	Last Mo. =	126,457	Difference=	1,422
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Skid Loader

Run time hours	=	1,806	Last Mo. =	1,797	Difference=	9
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Kubota RTV

Runtime Hours	=	429.8	Last Mo. =	391.4	Difference=	38.4
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District Manager Mirones reported the Kubota utility vehicle required a tire replacement on 6/2, as one of the tires was damaged and needed to be replaced.

Dump Trailer:

The dump trailer ramp is in deteriorated condition and requires replacement. Green Thumb Mowers has been contacted and requested to provide a cost estimate for the necessary replacement. The estimate will be presented for review upon receipt.

Lawn Mower trailer:

N/A

Safety:

District Manager Mirones reported that no safety incidents, accidents, injuries, or workplace concerns occurred during the reporting period.

New:

N/A

District Manager Mirones reported that there was no additional new business requiring action at this time.

Chairman Santana thanked District Manager Mirones and the District maintenance staff for their continued professionalism, responsiveness, and dedication to protecting the residents of Plantation Acres.

Commissioners expressed appreciation for the extensive maintenance activities completed during the reporting period and acknowledged the employees' exceptional response during the June 16 storm event.

Chairman Santana mentioned that an additional opportunity would be provided for residents who arrived after the initial public comment period to address the Board if they had any comments or matters they wished to bring before the Board.

Resident Lori Bernardi – 11681 NW 6th St addressed the Board and expressed her sincere appreciation to the Board of Commissioners, District staff, District Engineer, and all personnel who had worked diligently during the previous months to improve District operations and communication with residents.

Resident Lori Bernardi stated that she believed the current Board had demonstrated an exceptional level of professionalism, transparency, accessibility, and responsiveness to residents' concerns. She commented that many residents recognized the significant amount of work accomplished during the Board's tenure and appreciated the effort invested in improving drainage operations, maintenance activities, engineering coordination, and communication with the community.

Resident Lori Bernardi remarked that, in her opinion, many criticisms appearing on social media did not accurately represent the Board's conduct during public meetings. Ms. Bernardi observed that although some online comments alleged that Commissioners treated residents disrespectfully or prevented public participation, those allegations were inconsistent with her own experience attending Board meetings.

Resident Lori Bernardi stated that throughout the meetings she attended, Commissioners had consistently permitted residents to speak, answer questions, and participate in discussions in a respectful manner. She indicated that she had never witnessed Commissioners yelling at residents or attempting to prevent citizens from expressing their opinions during official meetings.

Resident Lori Bernardi expressed disappointment regarding the volume of misinformation and personal attacks directed toward Commissioners through various online platforms. She commented that many statements posted on social media unfairly criticized individuals who had devoted substantial volunteer time to serving the Plantation Acres community.

Resident Lori Bernardi further stated that she believed the current Board had been considerably more active than previous Boards and had demonstrated a genuine commitment to improving District operations.

Resident Lori Bernardi advised that she wished to present Chairman Santana with a lighthearted token of appreciation inspired by discussions that had occurred during the recent Pump Station No. 7 community meeting concerning water quality within the District's canals.

Resident Lori Bernardi presented Chairman Santana with a personalized wine glass bearing humorous references to the District's canal system together with a decorative bottle labeled as "C-2 Canal Water."

While emphasizing that the bottled water was intended solely as a joke and not for consumption, she referenced previous discussions regarding laboratory testing demonstrating acceptable water quality conditions within the District's canals.

Resident Lori Bernardi also presented the Chairman with a bottle of wine as a personal expression of appreciation for his volunteer service to the community.

Chairman Santana accepted the gifts graciously, thanked Ms. Bernardi for her thoughtful gesture, and expressed appreciation for her continued support of the District.

The exchange generated lighthearted discussion among those in attendance while maintaining the respectful atmosphere of the meeting.

Following Ms. Bernardi's comments, Chairman Santana addressed statements that had recently circulated on social media alleging that District funds had been improperly used to purchase refreshments served during community meetings.

Chairman Santana stated for the public record that those allegations were false.

Chairman Santana explained that the coffee, donuts, bottled water, ice, and other refreshments provided during public meetings had not been purchased using District funds. Rather, those expenses had been paid personally by him.

Chairman Santana explained that the purpose of providing refreshments had been to create a welcoming atmosphere during lengthy public meetings and community workshops. He expressed disappointment that these personal expenditures had been inaccurately portrayed as misuse of taxpayer funds.

Several Commissioners agreed with Chairman Santana's comments and stated that correcting misinformation remained important because inaccurate public statements could damage confidence in District government.

No further public comments were offered.

The Chairman closed the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

I. UPDATE ON DISTRICT CANAL CLEANING – MATERIAL REMOVE PERMIT – FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Commissioner Gilmore provided an update regarding the District's ongoing efforts to obtain authorization from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) for canal maintenance dredging and material removal activities.

Chairman Santana informed all the permits will be closed or terminated and/or not renewed.

NEW BUSINESS

No items were presented under New Business.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Chairman Santana opened the floor for Commissioner Comments.

- ***Commissioner Remarks Regarding Public Service***

Vice Chair Gilmore informed the Board that he intended to conclude his service on the Board before expiration of his term because of the hostile personal attacks directed toward Commissioners through social media. He explained that although service on the Board had essentially been voluntary, he had devoted substantial personal time during the previous year and a half to improving District operations and protecting residents from flooding.

Vice Chair Gilmore stated that the level of criticism directed toward Commissioners had become discouraging despite the significant accomplishments achieved during the Board's tenure. He emphasized that the Board members had devoted countless hours beyond scheduled meetings to engineering reviews, maintenance oversight, field inspections, public outreach, emergency response, and transition planning.

Vice Chair Gilmore expressed disappointment that these efforts often went unrecognized.

- ***Discussion Regarding Community Organizations***

Commissioners discussed the role of community organizations and expressed concern that some public commentary had contributed to misunderstanding regarding District operations.

Several Commissioners observed that many individuals criticizing the Board had not attended regular Board meetings and therefore lacked first-hand knowledge of the Board's work.

Discussion emphasized the importance of distinguishing information presented during public meetings from statements

circulated through unofficial social media platforms.

- ***Recognition of District Accomplishments***

Commissioner Beazley reflected upon accomplishments achieved during the current Board's administration.

Several members observed that resident participation and transparency had increased significantly compared with previous years.

Commissioner Beazley noted improvements including:

- Increased communication with residents;
- Improved maintenance scheduling;
- Greater transparency during meetings;
- Enhanced engineering oversight;
- More responsive field operations;
- Expanded public outreach;
- Increased accountability in District decision-making.

Commissioner Beazley expressed hope that these improvements will continue following the transition to City governance.

- ***Transition to the City of Plantation***

Chairman Santana presented a detailed report regarding meetings recently conducted with representatives of the City of Plantation concerning the District's transition effective October 1, 2026.

Chairman Santana advised that he had recently met with Mayor Nick Sortal and City Administrator Jason Nunemaker to discuss operational planning, employee transition, infrastructure, and continuity of services.

Chairman Santana described the meeting as productive and professional.

- ***Employee Transition***

Chairman Santana advised that employee retention had been one of his highest priorities during transition discussions.

Chairman Santana informed Commissioners that City representatives had indicated that current District employees would receive priority consideration for employment with the City because of their extensive institutional knowledge and many years of experience operating the District's drainage system.

Chairman Santana stated that employees would still be required to complete the City's normal hiring procedures, including background investigations and employment processing.

However, based upon discussions with City officials, he believed current employees would be well positioned to continue serving the Plantation Acres community.

Commissioners expressed appreciation that employee retention remained an important component of the transition process.

- ***Training City Personnel***

Chairman Santana further explained that although the City possesses substantial public works experience, the City currently does not operate diesel pump stations comparable to those maintained by the District.

Accordingly, he advised that District personnel would be required to provide operational training concerning:

- Pump station operation;
- Emergency procedures;
- Preventive maintenance;
- Routine inspections;
- Fuel management;
- Storm response;
- Mechanical monitoring.

Chairman Santana emphasized that successful transition of these facilities would depend upon effective transfer of operational knowledge accumulated by District personnel over many years.

Commissioners agreed that preserving this institutional knowledge would benefit both the City and Plantation Acres residents.

- ***Field Inspections***

District Manager Mirones informed the Board that City personnel intended to begin conducting field inspections throughout Plantation Acres during July 2026.

These inspections would allow City representatives to evaluate District facilities, infrastructure, maintenance requirements, equipment, and operational procedures before assuming responsibility on October 1.

District Manager Mirones advised that additional information concerning future staffing and operational organization would likely become available after completion of those inspections.

- ***Pump Station No. 7***

Commissioners discussed the future of the proposed Pump Station No. 7 project following the governmental transition.

Chairman Santana explained that the project remained in the preliminary engineering phase and that no construction contracts had yet been executed.

Because the City would assume responsibility for the District before construction could begin, future decisions regarding implementation of Pump Station No. 7 would ultimately rest with the City.

Commissioners acknowledged that the City would review engineering studies, project costs, available funding, and long-term priorities before determining whether to proceed.

- ***Canal Maintenance Equipment***

Commissioners also discussed the recently purchased specialized canal maintenance equipment that remained in production overseas.

Discussion focused on whether the City would utilize the equipment after assuming ownership.

Chairman Santana explained that the equipment had already been purchased and shipment was expected.

Commissioners acknowledged that although the City frequently contracts canal maintenance work to private contractors, ownership of the equipment would nevertheless transfer as part of the District's assets.

The Board recognized that future operational decisions regarding the equipment would become the responsibility of the City.

- **Easement Enforcement**

Chairman Santana informed those present that City representatives had advised him that following the governmental transition the City intended to enforce canal maintenance easements more aggressively than had occurred historically.

He cautioned residents that structures encroaching into maintenance easements, including sheds, fences, accessory structures, landscaping improvements, and other obstructions, could become subject to future code enforcement actions.

Chairman Santana encouraged residents to review their properties carefully and consult City officials regarding potential encroachments before October 1, 2026.

Commissioners emphasized that the District had frequently attempted to resolve such issues cooperatively and hoped residents would work proactively with the City following the transition.

I. RECOGNITION OF DISTRICT ENGINEER

Before concluding the meeting, Chairman Santana recognized District Engineer Bealinda Pell, P.E.

The Board congratulated Ms. Pell on recently receiving professional recognition from the Greater Plantation Chamber of Commerce for her outstanding community involvement and contributions.

Commissioners commended her dedication to the District and thanked her for the high level of engineering expertise she had consistently provided throughout her service.

District Engineer Pell expressed appreciation for the Board's recognition.

Chairman Santana concluded by reflecting upon the significant accomplishments achieved during the Board's tenure.

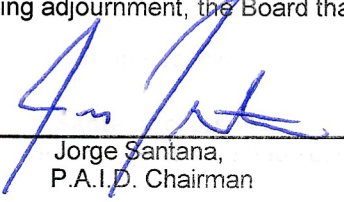
Chairman Santana expressed gratitude to fellow Commissioners, District staff, legal counsel, engineering consultants, vendors, and residents who had supported the District's mission of protecting Plantation Acres from flooding.

Chairman Santana acknowledged that while the transition to City governance represented a significant change, he believed the Board had fulfilled its responsibilities by strengthening District operations, improving transparency, investing in infrastructure, and preparing the City to assume responsibility for the District's assets and operations.

Chairman Santana thanked District employees for their years of dedicated public service and expressed confidence that their experience would continue benefiting Plantation Acres residents in the future.

ADJOURNMENT: With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm. By Chair Santana.

Following adjournment, the Board thanked all residents, staff, consultants, and attendees for their participation.



Jorge Santana,
P.A.I.D. Chairman



Carmen Mirones,
P.A.I.D. District Manager