<u>M E M O R A N D U M</u>

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Ray Tulloch, Treasurer

SUBJECT: Review and Discuss possible revisions to District Policy and

Procedure 142 RESOLUTION No. 1898 – Personnel Management

STRATEGIC

PLAN REFERENCE(S): Transparency and Fiscal responsibility

DATE: July 31, 2024

I. RECOMMENDATION

- 1.1 That the Board make a motion to accept the proposed changes to District Policy and Procedure 142 RESOLUTION No. 1898 – Personnel Management.
- 1.2 That the Board shall make the necessary changes to District Policy and Procedure 142 RESOLUTION No. 1898 as Adopted January 25, 2023, to enable this change

II. BACKGROUND

As per District Policy and Procedure 142 RESOLUTION No. 1898, the Board has delegated all hiring authority, including appointments to the Senior Management Team, to the General Manager. This delegation of authority was a central element of Board Resolution 1480 adopted by a previous Board on November 29, 1984, almost 39 years ago and which has not been substantively updated.

Much has changed in the District, the Community and the wider macro-economic environment over this period. The scale, complexity, operating costs and budgets of the District have grown exponentially and demands on services have increased. In order to serve the community cost-effectively and to properly maintain and manage IVGID assets it is important to have a high performing management team and, to the extent possible, that the District objectively recruits the best candidates to fulfil the Districts' functions.

Trustees are elected by and answerable to the Community for performance and delivery of services. However, under the current Policy 1898, they have no input to staff selection other than the General Manager. The General Manager has sole authority to make these critical senior management appointments.

Trustees carry the ultimate legal and fiduciary responsibility and accountability for the actions of the District. Trustees, as elected representatives, are also directly responsible for the overall performance of the District. As such, it is important that the Board should be able to review and approve senior management appointments. This is a critical element in a transparent and publicly accountable system of governance.

The changes proposed are to enable the Board to have input in the selection of senior management appointments proposed by the General Manager. It is important to note that this proposal does NOT change the role of the General Manager or the Board in the management of staff. It will however improve overall governance and provide reassurance to the community that appointments at this level are being made in an objective, competitive and transparent manner.

III. FINANCIAL IMPACT AND BUDGET

There is no direct financial impact from this proposal.

IV. **ALTERNATIVES**

That the District continues with resolution 1898 in its current form.

V. <u>BUSINESS IMPACT</u>

This item is not a "rule" within the meaning of Nevada Revised Statutes, Chapter 237, and does not require a Business Impact Statement.

VI. <u>ATTACHMENTS</u>

- 1. Policy and Procedure 142; Resolution 1898 Adopted January 25, 2023
- 2. Appendix A: Redline of proposed changes to Board Resolution 1480/ Policy and Procedure Resolution No. 105
- 3. Policy & Procedure 142; Resolution 1898 Final Draft for Adoption



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The General Manager is accountable to the Board of Trustees for the fair and efficient execution of these policies, as well as the overall performance of IVGID. In order to maintain this accountability, the General Manager, in consultation with the Director of Human Resources, must be given the authority to administer personnel matters without direct Trustee intervention or influence.

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