

**ORDINANCE NO. 2026-XX**

**ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OF THE YORBA LINDA WATER DISTRICT  
SETTING COMPENSATION FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 20200 ET SEQ. OF THE  
CALIFORNIA WATER CODE AND SUPERSEDING ORDINANCE NO. 2025-01**

- WHEREAS,** the Yorba Linda Water District is organized and operates under authority of the County Water District Act, Division 12, commencing with Section 30000 et seq.; and
- WHEREAS,** California Water Code Section 20202 permits water districts, as defined in Section 20200, which includes the Yorba Linda Water District, to increase compensation of members of the Board of Directors in an amount in excess of \$100 per day for each day's attendance at Board meetings and for each day's service rendered as a Director at the Board's request, not to exceed ten (10) days per calendar month; and
- WHEREAS,** the increase in compensation authorized pursuant to Section 20202 is limited to five percent (5%) for each calendar year following the operative date of the last adjustment; and
- WHEREAS,** the Board of Directors took action to conduct a public hearing each calendar year to consider increasing Board member compensation effective January 1, beginning January 1, 2025, in an amount equal to cost of living adjustment (COLA) percentages provided to District employees not to exceed five percent (5%); and
- WHEREAS,** the Board of Directors last took action on June 26, 2025, to increase Board member compensation by five percent (5%) from \$163.80 to \$171.99 per day with an effective date of January 1, 2026; and
- WHEREAS,** District employees were provided a COLA to their base salary of five percent (5%) effective July 1, 2026; and
- WHEREAS,** the Board of Directors seeks to increase the amount of compensation consistent with the District employees' five percent (5%) COLA and in accordance with the provisions of Water Code Section 20200 et seq.; and
- WHEREAS,** in accordance with Section 20203 of the Water Code and Section 6066 of the Government Code, a public hearing was held on May 28, 2026, at 8:30 AM, or soon thereafter as practicable, and a notice of said hearing was duly published in a newspaper of general circulation, once a week for two weeks on May 14, 2026 and May 21, 2026.

**THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE YORBA LINDA WATER DISTRICT DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1.** The foregoing recitals are true and correct.

- SECTION 2.** Upon and after January 1, 2027, compensation for members of the Board of Directors of the Yorba Linda Water District shall be \$180.59 per day for each day's attendance at meetings of the Board of Directors and other meetings attended at the request of the Board of Directors. Compensation for any type of service shall not exceed ten (10) days in any calendar month.
- SECTION 3.** Each calendar year, the Board will conduct a public hearing to consider increasing Board member compensation effective January 1<sup>st</sup> of the following calendar year in an amount equal to cost of living adjustment (COLA) percentages provided to District employees, not to exceed five percent (5%).
- SECTION 4.** Consideration of increasing Board member compensation shall align with adoption of the budget at the end of each fiscal year.
- SECTION 5.** Members of the Board shall receive reimbursement or payment of expenses, according to District policy, rules, and regulations, incurred in the performance of each Director's duties required or authorized by the Board of Directors.
- SECTION 6.** All ordinances, resolutions, or administrative actions by the Board of Directors, or parts thereof, that are inconsistent with any provision of this Ordinance are hereby superseded only to the extent of such inconsistency.
- SECTION 7.** Consistent with Section 20204 of the Water Code, this Ordinance shall become effective on January 1, 2027.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 28<sup>th</sup> day of May 2026, by the following called vote:

AYES:  
 NOES:  
 ABSTAIN:  
 ABSENT:

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Gene Hernandez, President  
 Yorba Linda Water District

ATTEST:

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Annie Alexander, Board Secretary  
 Yorba Linda Water District

Reviewed and approved as to form by General Counsel:

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