# Tarrant Appraisal District Board of Directors Meeting Minutes December 1, 2023

This meeting was conducted "in person" and in compliance with the Open Meetings Act as written in statute and was broadcast live on Facebook. A quorum of the members of the Board attended in person at TAD offices.

These minutes are a summary of the only subjects the board addressed and the actions it took. For details, see the Agenda & Video posted on TAD's website at this URL: <a href="https://www.tad.org/board-of-directors">https://www.tad.org/board-of-directors</a> and Video Recording posted at: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/TarrantAD">https://www.facebook.com/TarrantAD</a>

#### **Members Present:**

Ms. Wendy Burgess, Tax Assessor Collector

Mr. Rich DeOtte, Secretary

Mr. Jungus Jordan

Mr. J.R. Martinez

Mr. Tony Pompa, Chairman

Mr. Vince Puente

### Also Participating:

William Durham, Interim Chief Appraiser Mr. Matthew Tepper, TAD Attorney

Chair Pompa called the meeting to order at 8:00am and verified a quorum was present. The notice was posted timely. After pledges and the Invocation, the Board took up the following agenda items:

# 5. Recognize Visitors; Hear Public Comments

Three members of the public spoke.

6. Recess to executive/closed session pursuant to the following part(s) of the Texas Open Meetings Act, Government Code Ch. 551, for the following purposes:

At 8:13am, the Board recessed into Executive Session as provided in Item 6 of the Agenda.

Section 551.074 – Deliberation on the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee related to the search for a permanent chief appraiser.

Section 551.076 – Deliberation regarding security devices, security software or security audits.

Section 551.071 – Deliberation on a matter in which the Board of Directors seeks the advice of its attorney about contemplated litigation on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Open Meetings Act, related to statements made by Tarrant Appraisal District's former director of Information Services regarding the Tarrant Appraisal District's information systems.

At 10:07am, the Board returned to Open Session as provided in Item 7 of the Agenda.

## 7. Return to Open Session

### a. The search for a permanent chief appraiser and;

No action was taken regarding this item.

#### b. Security devices security software and/or security audits.

No action was taken on this item. Matthew Tepper reiterated that there is an ongoing investigation regarding this item and there will be an additional report from Mr. Tepper hopefully provided by the December 14<sup>th</sup> meeting.

# 8. Propose future agenda items; Set Next Meeting Date; Adjourn

No future agenda items were proposed. The next meeting date is expected to be a called meeting at 8am on December 8<sup>th</sup> and another on December 11<sup>th</sup> at 8am. Subsequent meetings are planned for December 14<sup>th</sup> at 9am and December 21<sup>st</sup> at 8am when a new Chief Appraiser is expected to be announced. The meeting adjourned at 10:09am.

Tony Pompa, Chairman