

**SUMMARY DESCRIPTION OF SOUTH DAVIS COUNTY SEWER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A RECORDS ACCESS AND MANAGEMENT POLICY.**

On 15 April 1993, at a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the South Davis County Sewer Improvement District, the Board adopted a Resolution Establishing a Records Access and Management Policy.

The Policy does the following:

SECTION 1 states that the general purpose of the Policy is to establish fair information practices and adopt guidelines for open Government information, recognizing the need to maintain and prepare accurate records, provide public access to public records and preserve the right of privacy of personal data collected or received by the District.

SECTION 2 indicates that the purpose of the Policy is to conform to Section 63-2-701, Utah Code Annotated, 1953, as amended.

SECTION 3 adopts by reference and recognizes the applicability to the District of several provisions of various enumerated Sections of the Government Records Access and Management Act.

SECTION 4 adopts the definitions set forth in Section 63-2-103, Utah Code Annotated, 1953, as amended.

SECTION 5 recognizes the right of the public to access the District's records and to review, examine and take copies of the same.

SECTION 6 classes the District's records as Public, Private, Controlled and Protected in accordance with the provisions of Sections 63-2-301, 63-2-302, 663-2-303 and 63-2-304, Utah Code Annotated, 1953, as amended, and sets forth their availability for public inspection and review and the restrictions governing access thereto.

SECTION 7 recognizes and upholds the personal right of privacy retained by persons who may be the subject of Governmental records and the need to give notice to the subject of a record request as the Manager considers appropriate.

SECTION 8 provides for the designation, classification and scheduling for retention of records in accordance with the provisions of the State Governmental Records Access and Management Act and the District's policy and recognizes the need for District compliance with the provisions of Sections 63-2-903 and 63-2-701 of said Utah Code.

SECTION 9 prescribes procedures for processing and responding to requests for access to District records and requires responses to requests for access within ten (10) days, except in the case of extraordinary circumstances set forth in the Section when extra time might be needed.

SECTION 10 allows reasonable fees related to actual costs to be charged for complying with requests and sets forth the basis for the same.

SECTION 11 describes the process for appealing a determination by the District concerning a record which either denies or limits the access requested.

SECTION 12 states that reasonable accommodations will be provided to persons with disabilities in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, when requested by an applicant.

SECTION 13 provides that records held by the District may be amended or corrected as needed and outlines the process for considering requests for amendments or corrections and the procedure for accomplishing the same.

SECTION 14 prescribes penalties for District employees who knowingly refuse to permit access to records in accordance with the State Act or the District Policy, or when access to non-public records is knowingly permitted, or records are knowingly removed or altered without authority and allows criminal prosecution or other disciplinary action.

SECTION 15 appoints a District Records Officer to oversee and coordinate records access, management and archives activities and provides for annual Reports of records services activities to the Board of Trustees of the District.

SECTION 16 required that records maintenance procedures be developed by the District to ensure that due care is taken to maintain and preserve records safely and accurately over the long term, provides that all District records shall remain the property of the District except where Federal or State legal authority provides otherwise and provides for delivery, custody and control of records to a successor custodian.

This Summary is submitted pursuant to the requirements of Section 63-2-701(7), Utah Code Annotated, 1953, as amended.

Dated 15 April 1993.



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General Manager

South Davis County Sewer Improvement District



SOUTH DAVIS COUNTY SEWER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT  
 RECORDS ACCESS AND MANAGEMENT POLICY

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RESOLUTION NO. 120-2

RECORDS ACCESS AND MANAGEMENT POLICY

The Utah State Legislature has adopted a Governmental Records Access Management Act which provided, in part, that each political subdivision may adopt an ordinance or policy applicable throughout its jurisdiction relating to information practices, including classification, access, appeals, management and retention of records.

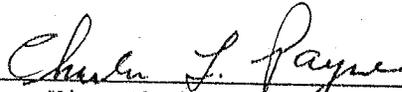
In order to comply with said directive, the Board of Trustees desires to adopt the following policy with regards to its records.

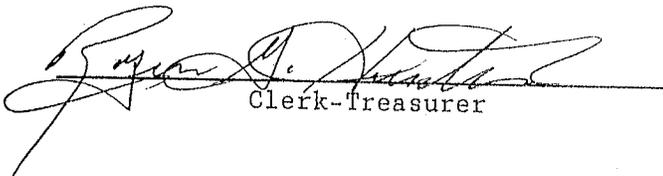
This Resolution No. 120-2 shall supersede Resolution No. 120 and Resolution No. 120-1 heretofore adopted by the Board of Trustees of the District and all motions of the Board of Trustees of the District adopting procedures or standards at variance with those herein set forth.

The invalidity of any section, clause, sentence or provision of this Resolution shall not affect the validity of any other part of this Resolution which can be given effect without such invalid part or parts.

This Resolution shall take effect upon its passage, approval and recording in the District as provided by law.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Trustees of the South Davis County Sewer Improvement District, State of Utah, on the 15th day of April, 1993.

  
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Vice-Chairman, Board of Trustees

  
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Clerk-Treasurer

**SECTION 1 - GENERAL PURPOSE:**

The general purpose of this Policy is to establish fair information practices and adopt guidelines for open Government information, recognizing the need to maintain and preserve accurate records, provide public access to public records and preserve the right of privacy of personal data collected or received by the District.

**SECTION 2 - DISTRICT POLICY:**

In adopting this Policy, the South Davis County Sewer Improvement District recognizes the enactment of the Government Records Access and Management Act (Sections 63-2-101 et seq, Utah Code Annotated 1953, as amended) and the application of that Act to the District's records. The purpose of this Policy is to conform to Section 63-2-701 of said Utah Code Annotated, which provides that each political subdivision may adopt an ordinance or policy relating to information practices, including classification, designation, access, denials, segregation, appeals, management, retention and amendment of records. The intent of this Policy is to provide modifications to the general provision of State law, where allowed, to best meet the public needs, operation, management capabilities and resources of the District.

**SECTION 3 - COMPLIANCE WITH STATE LAW:**

In adopting this Policy, the District recognizes that the following Sections of the Government Records Access and Management Act apply to the District and adopts by reference the following provisions as part of this Policy. Any inconsistency or conflict between this Policy and the following reference statutes shall be governed by the statute:

Part 1 - General Provisions

- § 63-2-101 Short Title
- § 63-2-102 Legislative Intent
- § 63-2-103 Definitions
- § 63-2-104 Administrative Procedures Act Not Applicable
- § 63-2-105 Confidentiality Agreements

Part 2 - Access to Records

- § 63-2-201 Right to Inspect Records and Receive Copies of Records
- § 63-2-202 Access to Private, Controlled and Protected Documents
- § 63-2-205 Denials
- § 63-2-206 Sharing Records

Part 3 - Classification

- § 63-2-301 Records That Must Be Disclosed
- § 63-2-302 Private Records
- § 63-2-303 Controlled Records
- § 63-2-304 Protected Records
- § 63-2-305 Procedure to Determine Classification
- § 63-2-306 Duty to Evaluation Records and Make Designations and Classifications
- § 63-2-307 Segregation of Records
- § 63-2-308 Business Confidentiality Claims

Part 6 - Accuracy of Records

- § 63-2-601 Rights of Individuals on Whom Data is Maintained
- § 63-2-602 Disclosure to Subject of Records Context of Use
- § 63-2-603 Request to Amend

Part 7 - Applicability to Political Subdivision:  
The Judiciary and the Legislative

- § 63-2-701 Political Subdivisions to Enact Ordinances in Compliance with Chapter

Part 8 - Remedies

- § 63-2-801 Criminal Penalties
- § 63-2-802 Injunction-Attorney's Fees
- § 63-2-803 No Liability for Certain Decisions of a Governmental Entity
- § 63-2-804 Disciplinary Action

Part 9 - Archives and Records Service

- § 63-2-905 Records Declared Property of State - Disposition
- § 63-2-907 Right to Replevin

Part 10 - Other

- § 63-30-10.6 Attorneys' Fees for Records Request

SECTION 4 - DEFINITIONS:

As used in this Policy, the definitions set forth in Section 63-2-103, Utah Code Annotated 1953, as amended, shall be applicable and are hereby adopted by reference as part hereof.

**SECTION 5 - PUBLIC RIGHT TO RECORDS:**

- A. Members of the public shall have the right, during normal working hours, to see, review, examine and take copies, in any format maintained by the District, of all Governmental records defined as "public" under the provisions of this Policy, upon the payment of the lawful fee and pursuant to the provisions of this Policy and the Act.
- B. The District has no obligation to create a record or record series in response to a request from a member of the public, if the record requested is not otherwise regularly maintained or kept.
- C. When a record is temporarily held by a custodial District agency, pursuant to that custodial agency's statutory functions, such as records storage, investigation, litigation or audit, the record shall not be considered a record of the custodial agency for the purposes of this Policy. The record shall be considered a record of the District and any requests for access to such records shall be directed to the District, rather than the custodial agency, pursuant to these procedures.

**SECTION 6 - PUBLIC, PRIVATE, CONTROLLED AND PROTECTED RECORDS:**

- A. Public records shall be those District records as defined in the Act, § 63-2-201, Utah Code Annotated 1953, as amended. Public records shall be made available to any person. All District records are considered public unless they are:
  - 1. expressly designated, classified or defined otherwise by the District in accordance with policies and procedures established by this Policy;
  - 2. are so designated, classified or defined by the Act; or
  - 3. are made non-public by other applicable law.
- B. Private records shall be those District records classified as "private", as defined in the Act, § 63-2-302 of said Utah Code Annotated, and as designated, classified or defined in procedures established pursuant to this Policy. Private records shall be made available to the following persons: the subject of the record, the parent or legal guardian of a minor who is subject of the record, any person who has a power of a attorney or a notarized release from the subject of the record or his legal representative, or any person possessed of and service a legislative subpoena or a court order issued by a court of competent jurisdiction.

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- C. Controlled records shall be those District records classified as "controlled", as defined in the Act, § 63-2-303, of said Utah Code Annotated, and as designated, classified or defined in procedures established in this Policy. Controlled records shall be made available to a physician, psychologist or licensed social worker who submits a notarized release from the subject of the record or any person representing a legislative subpoena or a court order signed by a judge of competent jurisdiction.
- D. Protected records shall be those District records classified as "protected", as defined in the Act, § 63-2-304 of said Utah Code Annotated, and as designated, classified or defined in procedures established in this Policy. Protected records shall be made available to the person who submitted the information in the record, to a person who has power of attorney or notarized release from any persons or Governmental entities whose interests are protected by the classification of the record, or to any person presenting a legislative subpoena or a court order regarding the release of the information and signed by a judge of competent jurisdiction.

**SECTION 7 - PRIVACY RIGHTS:**

- A. The District recognizes and upholds the personal right of privacy retained by persons who may be the subject of Governmental records.
- B. The District may, as determined appropriate by the Manager, notify the subject of a record that a request for access to the subject's record has been made.
- C. The District may require that the requester of records provide a written release, notarized within thirty (30) days before the request, from the subject of the records in question before access to such records is provided.

**SECTION 8 - DESIGNATION, CLASSIFICATION AND RETENTION:**

All District records and records series, of any format, shall be designated, classified and scheduled for retention according to the provisions of the Act and this Policy. Any records or record series generated in the future shall also be so designated, classified and scheduled for retention. Records designation, classification and scheduling for retention shall be conducted under the supervision of the District Records Officer.

All such records of the District shall be managed, maintained, classified and retained in accordance with the provisions of Sections 63-2-903 and 63-2-701, Utah Code Annotated 1953, as amended.

SECTION 9 - PROCEDURES FOR RECORDS REQUEST:

- A. Under circumstances in which the District is not able to immediately respond to a records request, the requester shall fill out and present to the District a written request on a form provided by the District. The date and time of the request shall be noted on the written request form and all time frames provided under this Policy shall commence from that date and time. Requesters of non-public information shall adequately identify themselves and their status prior to receiving access to non-public records.
- B. The District may respond to a request for a record by approving the request and providing the records, denying the request or such other appropriate response as may be established by policies and procedures.
- C. In most circumstances and excepting those eventualities set out below, the District shall respond to a written request for a public record within ten (10) business days after the request. Extraordinary circumstances shall justify the District's failure to respond to a written request for a public record within ten (10) business days and shall extend the time for response thereto as reasonably necessary to respond to the request, such additional time to be determined by the District Manager. Extraordinary circumstances shall include, but not be limited to the following:
1. Some other Governmental entity is currently and actively using the record requested;
  2. The record requested is for either a voluminous quantity of records or requires the District to review a large number of records or perform extensive research to located the materials requested;
  3. The District is currently processing either a large number of records requests or is subject to extraordinary seasonal work loads in the processing of other work;
  4. The request involves an analysis of legal issues to determine the proper response to the request;
  5. The request involves extensive editing to separate public data in a record from that which is not public; or
  6. Providing the information request requires computer programming or other format manipulation.

When a record request cannot be responded to within ten (10) business days, the Manager shall give the requester an estimate of the time required to respond to the request.

- D. The failure or inability of the District to respond to a request for a record within the time frames set out herein, or the District's denial of such a request, shall give the requester the right to appeal as provided in Section 11.

**SECTION 10 - FEES:**

Applicable fees for the processing of information requests under this Policy shall generally be set at actual cost or as otherwise established by policies adopted under this Policy. The District will charge the following fees for requests relating to the Government Records Access and Management Act:

1. Reviewing a record to determine whether it is subject to disclosure..... No Charge
2. Inspection of record by requesting person.. No Charge
3. Copy Fees..... \$.50 per page for District prepared copies, or such other charge as the District may establish from time to time by Resolution or Motion.
4. Computer Disk..... Actual Cost  
(including overhead and time of District staff in preparation of information request.)
5. Other Forms..... Actual Cost  
(Same as #4)
6. Miscellaneous Fees..... Actual Cost  
(Same as #4)

**SECTION 11 - APPEAL PROCESS:**

- A. Any person aggrieved by the District's denial or claim of extraordinary circumstances may appeal the determination within thirty (30) days after notice of the District's action to the District Manager by filing a written notice of appeal. The notice of appeal shall contain the petitioner's name, address, telephone number, relief sought and if petitioner desires, a short statement of the fact, reasons and legal authority for the appeal.
- B. If the appeal involves a record that is subject to business confidentiality or affects the privacy rights of an individual, the District Manager shall send a notice of the requester's appeal to the affected person.

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- C. The District Manager shall make a determination on the appeal within thirty (30) days after receipt of the appeal. During this 30-day period the District Manager may schedule an informal hearing or request any additional information deemed necessary to make a determination. The District Manager shall send written notice to all participants providing the reasons for the Manager's determination.
- D. In addition, if the District Manager affirms the denial in whole or in part, the denial shall include a statement that the requester has a right to appeal the denial to the District's Board of Trustees within thirty (30) days, such appeal to be considered at the next scheduled meeting of the Board.
- E. The person may file a written notice of appeal to the Board of Trustees to be heard at the next scheduled meeting of the Board. If there is no meeting scheduled in the next thirty (30) days, the Board of Trustees shall schedule a meeting for the purpose of hearing the appeal. The final decision of the Board of Trustees shall be by majority vote of a quorum of the Board. The Board shall prepare a written decision outlining its final determination and reasons for the final determination.
- F. If the Board affirms the denial, in whole or in part, the person may petition for judicial review in District Court as provided in Section 63-2-404, Utah Code Annotated 1953, as amended.

**SECTION 12 - REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION:**

Reasonable accommodations regarding access to Governmental records shall be provided to persons with disabilities in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, upon request of the applicant.

**SECTION 13 - RECORDS AMENDMENTS:**

Government records held by the District may be amended or corrected as needed. Requests for amendments, corrections or other changes shall be made in writing to the District setting forth, with specificity, the amendment or correction requested. When an amendment or correction of a Government record is made, both the original record and the amended or corrected record shall be retained, unless provided otherwise by the Act or other State or Federal law.

**SECTION 14 - PENALTIES:**

- A. District employees who knowingly refuse to permit access to records in accordance with the Act and this Policy, who knowingly permit access to non-public records or who knowingly, without authorization or legal authority, dispose of, alter or remove records or allow other persons to do so in violation of the provisions of the Act, this Policy or other law or regulation may be subject to criminal prosecution and disciplinary action, including termination.
- B. In accordance with the Act, neither the District nor any of its officers or employees shall be liable for damages resulting from the release of a record where the requester presented evidence of authority to obtain the record, even if it may be subsequently determined that the requester had no such authority.

**SECTION 15 - RECORDS OFFICER:**

There shall be appointed a District Records Officer to oversee and coordinate records access, management and archives activities. The Records Officer shall make annual reports of records services activities to the Board of Trustees.

**SECTION 16 - RECORDS MAINTENANCE:**

- A. Records maintenance procedures shall be developed to ensure that due care is taken to maintain and preserve District records safely and accurately over the long term. The Records Officer shall be responsible for monitoring the application and use of technical processes in the creation, duplication and disposal of District records. The Records Officer shall monitor compliance with required standards of quality, permanence and admissibility pertaining to the creation, use and maintenance of records.
- B. All District records shall remain the property of the District unless Federal or State legal authority provides otherwise. Property rights to District records may not be permanently transferred from the District to any private individual or entity, including those legally disposable obsolete District records. This prohibition does not include the providing of copies of District records otherwise produced for release or distribution under this Policy.
- C. Custodians of any District records shall, at the expiration of their terms of office, appointment or employment, deliver custody and control of all records kept or received by them to their successors, supervisors or to the District Records Officer.