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## **PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE – Sept 17, Wed 6:30pm**

All meetings with a board quorum present (3 of 5 total) are open to the public meetings. Durango West #1 is a local governmental entity governed by an elected 5-member Board. Unless notice of location change, meetings are always held at the District Office here in the subdivision and they are also available on Zoom.

Directions: From entrance take 1<sup>st</sup> left on Trailwood Drive, take 2<sup>nd</sup> right on Moss Road Trail, first intersection is Holly Hock Trail.

**When** 6:30PM, Wednesday, September 17, 2025

**Where** 119 Holly Hock Trail, District Office, Durango CO 81303

All meetings also on Zoom with same room number and passcode  
(office phone) Room: 9702594267 Passcode: 4267

**Purpose** Regular, Special, or **Work Session**

This is a one hour **work session** to be held on September 17, 2025, 6:30pm to discuss financials. No decisions are allowed to be made at work sessions, only at a regular or a special called meeting. This session is to help familiarize board members with Dw1 revenues and expenditures prior to budget season. Each year a draft budget must be presented to the board prior to October 15. The board is then required to adopt a budget for the ensuing calendar year by December 15. (Dec 31 is the deadline if no mill levy is involved). The Durango West #1 board meets on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday January to September, then moves to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday in October to December to comply budget dates and reduce holiday-time meeting absences.

Note: Two board seats are currently vacant that should be filled by appointment until the next regular election May 4, 2027. Board elections are held early May of every odd-numbered year. All terms are four years, with assigned position #s that are staggered, so each election only 2 or 3 seats are open, not all 5. This can become confusing because any seat that was filled by appointment must expire at next earliest election. The appointee typically runs for election, but this sometimes result in a ballot position showing two years instead of four because that position remains on the original term to continue staggered seats. Any person interested in serving on the board should plan to attend a few regular meetings first and let the board know they are interested in filling any openings or they may run at the next election. Dw1 has frequent resignations. Jobs change, life circumstances, numerous reasons they may not be able to, or desire, staying. The job is difficult, requires time, reliability, and a comfortableness with public engagement. It is also rewarding and provides a necessary public service. Special District board members are not allowed compensation and they do not receive any discounts on their monthly bills or free services. In fact, board member bills are most likely scrutinized more at audit time. Dw1 is audited every year by an independent CPA who must be additionally licensed in Colorado to perform governmental audits.