

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
WEST BASIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

JULY 27, 2007

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the West Basin Municipal Water District was held on Friday, July 27, 2007, at 11:00 a.m., at the District Headquarters, 17140 South Avalon Boulevard, Suite 210, Carson, California.

President Dear called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. and presided thereover.

1. **DETERMINATION OF QUORUM.** President Dear declared there was a quorum with the following Directors present: Dear, Kwan, Little, Smith, and Gray. Also present at the meeting were General Manager Nagel and District Counsel O'Neill.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. President Dear led the Pledge.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT AND PRESENTATIONS.** (Members of the public are invited to present comments to the board on matters within the District's jurisdiction but not on the agenda. The public may present comments on agenda items when the matter is called.) None.

ACTION ITEMS

3. **STRATEGIC PLANNING CONSULTANT – Oral Report**

The Board discussed the three candidates, Ed Means, Carl Haglund, and David Cobb as one of the consultants as the District's strategic planning consultant.

ACTION: Upon a motion duly made by Director Kwan and seconded by Director Smith, the Board approved entering into an agreement with Ed Means and approved that the General Manager will negotiate the contract amount.

Director Gray requested that a discussion to engage Carl Haglund under a retainer fee to assist the District in public relations be placed on the August Communications Committee agenda.

4. **DIRECTOR EXPENSES OVER 90 DAYS OLD – Requested by President Dear**

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board considers reimbursement of Director Kwan's per diem claims, other expenses, and mileage expense claims from November and December 2006 in the amount of \$5,085.15.

ACTION: Upon a motion duly made by Director Gray and seconded by Director Smith, the Board approved Director Kwan's claims in the amount of \$5,085.15 by a 4-1; Director Kwan abstained.

President Dear recessed to Closed Session at 11:12 a.m. without objection.

CLOSED SESSION

5. **PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9 (a) EXISTING LITIGATION – 1 ITEM - WEST BASIN vs CENTRAL BASIN; 54956.9 (b) and (c) POTENTIAL LITIGATION – 3 ITEMS; AND 54956.8 - PROPERTY NEGOTIATIONS – 2 ITEMS, 17140 S. AVALON BLVD., CARSON, CA AND 21029 E. WILMINGTON AVE., CARSON, CA 90745 – NEGOTIATING TEAM RICH NAGEL AND WEST BASIN BOARD OF DIRECTORS.**

President Dear reconvened the meeting at 11:43 a.m.

District Counsel O'Neill reported that the Board was briefed on one potential litigation matter and that no formal action was taken; staff was given direction.

ADJOURNMENT. There being no further business to come before the Board, President Dear adjourned the meeting at 11:48 a.m.

President

ATTEST:

Secretary

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