

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
WEST BASIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

July 26, 2010

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of West Basin Municipal Water District was held on Monday, July 26, 2010 at 1:00 p.m. at 17140 S. Avalon Blvd., Suite 210, Carson, CA 90746.

President Gray called the meeting to order at 1:16 p.m. and presided thereover.

1. DETERMINATION OF QUORUM. The following Directors were present: Dear, Gray, Kwan, Little, and Smith. Also present was General Manager Nagel and District Counsel O'Neill.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. Chris Atkins, Public Affairs and Conservation Intern 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.)

a. Carson HET Program Presentation – Carson Parks & Recreation – Director Smith recognized Raymond Cruz for their participation in the HET Program on April 24, 2010 and presented him with a check.

3. ITEMS TOO LATE TO BE AGENDIZED (Determine the need to discuss and/or take action on item(s) introduced that came to the attention of the District subsequent to the posting of the agenda.) General Manager Nagel reported that an Item regarding a request from the Daily Breeze to place an ad in a Special Section on the 50th Anniversary of California State University Dominguez Hills was received subsequent to the posting of the agenda and requested that this item be added to Agenda Item No. 23.

ACTION: Upon a motion duly made by Director Dear and seconded by Director Little, the Board approved adding this Item to the agenda Item No. 23.

4. METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT ACTIVITIES UPDATE – Water Policy Manger Paludi gave a brief update on MWD's IRP process.

5. UNITED WATER SERVICES UPDATE – ORAL REPORT – Mark Ervin of United Water presented an update to the Board on United Water activities.

6. HYPERION WATER QUALITY UPDATE – Assistant General Manager Deshmukh presented an update on this item.

7. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – ORAL REPORT – Legislative Analyst Caldwell provided an update to the Board.

8. AB 1234 REPORTING COMPLIANCE (Members of the legislative body shall provide brief reports written or oral on meetings attended at the expense of the local agency at the next regular meeting of the legislative body). Director Dear reported that he attending the Independent Cities Association conference July 8-11 and that Dan Walters of the Sacramento Bee gave an interesting talk on Health Care.

President Gray ordered Item 18 to be moved up on the Agenda without objection.

18. SOUTH BAY ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES CENTER AGREEMENT

Councilman Goodheart from Palos Verdes Estates and Councilman Medina from Gardena stated that the partnership with the SBESC's has been very positive and well received by its members as well as the community and that they looked forward to continuing that relationship.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board authorizes the General Manager to enter into an agreement with the South Bay Cities Council of Governments in an amount not-to-exceed \$130,885 for services performed in Fiscal Year 2010-11.

ACTION: Upon a motion duly made by Director Dear and seconded by Director Kwan, the Board unanimously approved staff recommendation.

CONSENT CALENDAR

9. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – JUNE 1, 2010 (REGULAR), AND JUNE 28, 2010 (REGULAR)

10. FINANCIAL REPORT

A. Demands Demand Numbers 1098, 1099, 1100, 1101, 1102 and 1105; 53765 through 53957 (excluding None); for a total amount of \$10,139,026.53 including wire transfers to MWD, Union Bank of California, and Citibank New York.

B. Cash & Investment

C. Water Sales Statements

D. Recycled Water Revenue & Expense Summary

11. RECYCLED WATER CUSTOMER DEVELOPMENT PROJECT UPDATE

12. ASSEST MANAGEMENT

13. ZERO RUN-OFF STREET MEDIAN WATER CONSERVATION PROGRAM UPDATE

14. JANITORIAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR EDWARD C. LITTLE WATER RECYCLING FACILITY

15. SLUDGE HAULING AND BENEFICIAL REUSE

ACTION: Upon a motion duly made by Director Little and seconded by Director Kwan, the Board approved Consent Calendar Items 9, and 11 through 13.

ACTION: Upon a motion duly made by Director Kwan and seconded by Director Dear, the Board approved Consent Calendar Item 10.

ACTION CALENDAR

President Gray requested a motion to approve Action Items 16, 21 and 25.

ACTION: Upon a motion duly made by Director Dear and seconded by Director Smith, the Board unanimously approved Action Items 16, 21 and 25.

16. DIRECTORS PER DIEM EXPENSES OVER 90 DAYS OLD

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board considers approving director expenses over 90 days old for Director Gray in the amount of \$876.64

17. ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA WATER AGENCIES – RATIFICATION OF THE AMENDED & REINSTATED HEALTH BENEFITS

RECOMMENDATION:

1. That the Board approves, adopts and authorizes the President to sign Resolution 7-10-931 "A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FO WEST BASIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT ADOPTING THE ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA WATER AGENCIES HEALTH BENEFITS AUTHORITY (ACWA HBA) AMENDED AND RESTATED BYLAWS AND JPA AGREEMENT.", and
2. Designates the Board President or General Manager as regular representative and also an alternate representative.

ACTION: Upon a motion duly made by Director Little and seconded by Director Kwan, the Board adopted Resolution 7-10-931, which designates the General Manager as the regular representative and the Assistant General Manager as its alternate representative.

No action was taken on Item 17 – 2.

18. SOUTH BAY ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES CENTER AGREEMENT

The Board approved this item earlier on the agenda.

19. OCEAN-WATER DESALINATION SUPPORT SERVICES

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board authorizes the General Manager to amend Agreement No W1979 with RBF for an additional amount of \$50,000, for a total not-to-exceed contract amount of \$325,000, to perform as-needed ocean-water desalination planning and engineering support services.

ACTION: Upon a motion duly made by Director Kwan and seconded by Director Little, the Board unanimously approved staff recommendation.

20. TORRANCE MAINLINE AIR/VACUUM LINE ELBOW REPLACEMENT

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board determines the Torrance Mainline project as an emergency and authorizes the General Manager to enter into an agreement with the lowest responsive bidder to inspect and replace corroding pipe and fittings for a contract amount not-to-exceed \$450,000.

ACTION: Upon a motion duly made by Director Kwan and seconded by Director Dear, the Board made the

determination that to prevent potential damage to streets and nearby utilities that they are unanimously approving staff recommendation.

21. STANDBY CHARGE ADMINISTRATION SERVICES

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board authorizes the General Manager to amend the Willdan Financial Services Contract #W1915 for an additional \$57,000, for a total not-to-exceed contract of \$117,000, and extend the contract through September 30, 2013.

22. CODE OF CONDUCT – SECTION 20 PUBLIC AWARENESS GUIDELINES

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board considers revising Section 20 – Public Awareness Guidelines of the Code of Conduct as recommended by the Ethics Committee as described in the Board handout.

ACTION: Upon a motion duly made by Director Dear and seconded by Director Little, the Board approved the Ethics Committee recommendation by the following voice vote:

Dear	Aye
Kwan	Aye
Little	Aye
Smith	No
Gray	Aye

23. FISCAL YEAR 2010-11 EVENT SPONSORSHIPS

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board considers a joint sponsorship in the amount of \$3,000 for the Hong Kong Schools Alumni Federation’s Water Summit on August 14, 2010.

ACTION: Upon a motion duly made by Director Gray to approve \$2,000 for a Joint Sponsorship and \$1,000 for an individual sponsorship from Director Kwan’s fund and seconded by Director Dear, the Board approved the recommendation by the following voice vote:

Dear	Aye
Kwan	Aye
Little	Aye
Smith	Absent
Gray	Aye

President Gray deferred the Kids & Fishing request pending further information without objection.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board considers placing an ad in the Special Section of the Daily Breeze commemorating the 50th Anniversary of CSUDH.

ACTION: Upon a motion duly made by Director Gray to deny the request and seconded by Director Kwan, the Board voted as follows:

Dear	Aye
Kwan	Aye
Little	Aye
Smith	Abstain
Gray	Aye

24. RECYCLED WATER QUALITY CONSULTANT CONTRACT

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board authorizes the General Manager to enter into an agreement with MWH for an amount not-to-exceed \$25,,000 for consulting services supporting the improvement of Hyperion water quality available to the ECLWRF.

ACTION: Upon a motion duly made by Director Kwan and seconded by Director Little, the Board approved staff recommendation by the following voice vote:

Dear	Aye
Kwan	Aye
Little	Aye
Smith	Abstain
Gray	Aye

25. LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION REAPPOINTMENT TO LOS ANGELES REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board considers approving a letter of recommendation for the reappointment of Fran Diamond to the Regional Board and authorizes the President to sign.

26. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT ON DISTRICT ACTIVITIES: General Manager Nagel reported that MWD's Local IRP Stakeholder's would be held on August 12 from 9:00-2:00 at MWD. He also reported that the United Water/ West Basin / WRD picnic would be held on August 26 at El Segundo Recreation Park at 11:30.

27. GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT: General Counsel O'Neill stated that there would a Closed Session.

28. DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS: Directors Dear reported that he and Director Smith have agreed to move the August Finance Committee to Tuesday, August 10 at 11:00 a.m. instead of August 11. He also asked about better signage at the Treatment Plant. Directors Kwan and Gray reported on their trip to Australia to view the ocean-water desalination facilities.

President Gray recessed the meeting to Closed Session at 3:40 p.m. without objection.

President Gray reconvened at 4:35 p.m.

29. CLOSED SESSION

A. PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9 (a) EXISTING LITIGATION – 1 ITEM

1. LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT vs. COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES – CASE NO. BS108180.

B. PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9 (a) and (b) POTENTIAL LITIGATION – 4 ITEMS

C. PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.8 PROPERTY NEGOTIATIONS – 2 ITEMS

1. AES, 1100 North Harbor Dr., Redondo Beach, CA 90277-2017
2. NRG, El Segundo Operations, 301 Vista del Mar, El Segundo, CA 90245

D. PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957 – 1 ITEM

1. GENERAL MANAGER PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

General Counsel reported that the Board met in closed session to discuss Item No. C 1 and C2 and that no formal action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT. There being no further business to come before the Board, President Gray adjourned the meeting at 4:50 p.m.

President

ATTEST:

Secretary

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