

**LONG BEACH CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
JEANNE KARATSU, PRESIDENT
OCTOBER 29, 2008**

The regular meeting of the Civil Service Commission was held at 8:00 a.m., Wednesday, October 29, 2008, in the Board Room of the Commission, 333 West Ocean Boulevard, Seventh Floor, Long Beach, California.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mary Islas, F. Phil Infelise, Ahmed Saafir, Jeanne Karatsu, Douglas Haubert

MEMBER EXCUSED:

OTHERS PRESENT: Mario R. Beas, Executive Director & Secretary
Melinda George, Employment Services Officer
Marilyn Hall, Executive Assistant
Salvador Ambriz, Personnel Analyst
Diane Dzodin, Personnel Analyst
Debbie McCluster, Personnel Analyst
Caprice McDonald, Personnel Analyst
Lourdes Ferrer, Assistant Administrative Analyst
Donna de Araujo, Assistant Administrative Analyst
Ken Walker, Personnel Operations Manager, Human Resources

President Jeanne Karatsu presided.

MINUTES: It was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Islas and carried that the minutes of the regular meeting of October 22, 2008, be approved as prepared. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

The Secretary presented Dismissal Hearing 08-D-78 hearing minutes of October 1 & 8, 2008, to the Commission for approval. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Infelise, seconded by Commissioner Islas and carried to approve the dismissal hearing minutes. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

PROVISIONAL APPOINTMENT: The Secretary presented a communication from Lori Ann Farrell, Director of Financial Management, requesting Commission authorization to appoint Julissa Jose-Murray, to the classification of Administrative Analyst on a provisional basis. In addition, the Secretary presented a staff report prepared by Sal Ambriz, Personnel Analyst. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Islas, seconded by Commissioner Infelise and carried that the

request be granted in accordance with Civil Service Commission Policy 1.02 and Section 43 of the Civil Service

Rules and Regulations. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

**REQUEST TO EXTEND
PROVISIONAL APPOINTMENTS:**

**DERWIN WORTHAM, JEFF HOGAN AND ANTONIO
CARRILLO/GARAGE SERVICE ATTENDANTS**

The Secretary presented a staff report prepared by him, requesting Commission approval to extend the provisional appointments for Derwin Wortham, Jeff Hogan and Antonio Carrillo, Garage Service Attendant, Public Works, for 150 days, until an eligible list is established. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Infelise, seconded by Commissioner Islas and carried that the request to extend the provisional appointments for Derwin Wortham, Jeff Hogan and Antonio Carrillo, be approved in accordance with Section 49 of the Civil Service Rules and Regulations. The motion carried unanimously.

**REQUEST TO EXTEND
PROVISIONAL APPOINTMENTS:**

**ANNA CASTANEDA AND BRITTANY JOHNSON/
HOUSING AIDES**

The Secretary presented a staff report prepared by Caprice Brown, Personnel Analyst, requesting Commission approval to extend the provisional appointments for Anna Castaneda and Brittany Johnson, Housing Aides, Community Development, for 150 days until an eligible list is established. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Islas, seconded by Commissioner Haubert and carried that the request to extend the provisional appointments for Anna Castaneda and Brittany Johnson, be approved in accordance with Section 49 of the Civil Service Rules and Regulations. The motion carried unanimously.

**PROTEST OF WRITTEN
EXAMINATION ITEMS:**

FIRE ENGINEER

The Secretary presented a staff report prepared by Caprice McDonald, Personnel Analyst regarding the protested question from the Fire Engineer examination, which was administered on October 17, 2008. Ms. McDonald briefed the Commission regarding this protest. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Infelise and carried to approve

the recommended disposition of the protested item. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

EXAMINATION RESULTS:

It was moved by Commissioner Infelise, seconded by Commissioner Islas and carried that the following examination results be approved. The Secretary informed the Commission that the results for Police Recruit were not complete and would be ready for next week's agenda. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Deputy Chief Harbor Engineer – 3 Applied, 1 Qualified
~~Police Recruit~~

EXTENSION OF EXPIRING ELIGIBLE LISTS:

It was moved by Commissioner Islas, seconded by Commissioner Saafir and carried that the following eligible lists be extended for an additional six months. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Clerk Supervisor
Mechanical Engineer (5/2/07 & 5/16/07)

RESIGNATION:

NATHANIEL BUCK/AMBULANCE OPERATOR/FIRE

It was moved by Commissioner Infelise, seconded by Commissioner Islas and carried that the subject resignation be received and filed. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

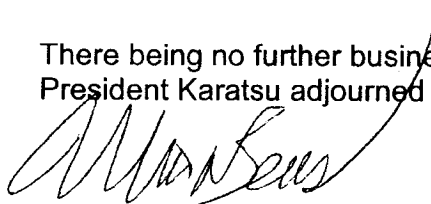
MANAGERS' REPORT:

Melinda George, Employment Services Officer, informed the Commission that Police Recruit would be closing on Friday, October 31, 2008, and there will be over 2000 job applications received. She also informed the Commission that staff has scheduled three test dates for Police Recruit in November to test the final job applicants. She also stated that Ms. McDonald would be conducting the Fire Engineer Performance examination all next week, and that it is an interesting process if the Commission wished to observe it.

The Secretary announced that Melinda George has been appointed as the Deputy Director, and congratulated her on her appointment.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business before the Commission,
President Karatsu adjourned the meeting.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mario Beas", written in a cursive style.

MARIO R. BEAS
Secretary

MRB:meh

**LONG BEACH CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
JEANNE KARATSU, PRESIDENT
NOVEMBER 5, 2008**

The regular meeting of the Civil Service Commission was held at 8:00 a.m., Wednesday, November 5, 2008, in the Board Room of the Commission, 333 West Ocean Boulevard, Seventh Floor, Long Beach, California.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mary Islas, F. Phil Infelise, Ahmed Saafir, Jeanne Karatsu, Douglas Haubert

MEMBER EXCUSED:

OTHERS PRESENT: Mario R. Beas, Executive Director & Secretary
Melinda George, Deputy Director
Marilyn Hall, Executive Assistant
Salvador Ambriz, Personnel Analyst
Diane Dzodin, Personnel Analyst
Robert Pfingsthorn, Personnel Analyst
Lourdes Ferrer, Assistant Administrative Analyst
Donna deAraujo, Assistant Administrative Analyst
Ken Walker, Personnel Operations Manager, Human Resources

President Jeanne Karatsu presided.

MINUTES: It was moved by Commissioner Islas, seconded by Commissioner Saafir and carried that the minutes of the regular meeting of October 29, 2008, be approved as prepared. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

PROVISIONAL APPOINTMENT: The Secretary presented a communication from Suzanne Mason, Director of Human Resources, requesting Commission authorization to appoint Tara Brewer, to the classification of Personnel Analyst on a provisional basis. In addition, the Secretary presented a staff report prepared by Diane Dzodin, Personnel Analyst. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Infelise, seconded by Commissioner Islas and carried that the request be granted in accordance with Civil Service Commission Policy 1.02 and Section 43 of the Civil Service Rules and Regulations. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

**REQUEST TO EXTEND
PROVISIONAL APPOINTMENTS:**

**KAMERON BELIZAIRE, ANDREAN BROWN, KAREN
GEIB, KEVIN KETCHUM, JAY LOPEZ AND ANTHONY
O'DELL, RECREATION ASSISTANTS**

The Secretary presented a staff report prepared by Deborah McCluster, Personnel Analyst, requesting Commission approval to extend the provisional appointments for Kameron Belizaire, Andrean Brown, Karen Geib, Kevin Ketchum, Jay Lopez and Anthony O'Dell, Recreation Assistants, Parks, Recreation and Marine, for 150 days, until an eligible list is established. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Haubert, seconded by Commissioner Saafir and carried that the request to extend the provisional appointments, be approved in accordance with Section 49 of the Civil Service Rules and Regulations. The motion carried unanimously.

**COMMUNICATION TO TERMINATE
REASSIGNMENT FOR
REHABILITATION:**

ADALBERTO PEREZ

The Secretary presented a communication from Suzanne Mason, Director of Human Resources, requesting Commission authorization to terminate the Temporary Reassignment for Rehabilitation for Adalberto Perez, Refuse Operator to Parking Control Checker in the Department of Public Works. The Secretary informed the Commission the item required no Commission action except to receive and file. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Infelise, seconded by Commissioner Islas and carried that the request to terminate reassignment for training be received and filed. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote

BULLETIN:

CUSTOMER SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE

It was moved by Commissioner Islas, seconded by Commissioner Infelise and carried that the subject Job Opportunity Bulletin be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

EXAMINATION RESULTS:

It was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Haubert and carried that the following examination results be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Park Ranger – 193 Applied, 8 Qualified
Police Recruit – 382 Applied, 231 Qualified
Public Health Nutritionist – 2 Applied, 2 Qualified
Special Services Officer – 202 Applied, 154 Qualified

**EXTENSION OF EXPIRING
ELIGIBLE LISTS:**

It was moved by Commissioner Islas, seconded by Commissioner Saafir and carried that the following eligible lists be extended for an additional six months. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Civil Engineer
Civil Engineering Assistant
Communication Specialist
Community Development Analyst
Deputy Chief Harbor Engineer
Electrical Engineer
Forensic Specialist
General Maintenance Supervisor
Hazardous Materials Specialist (5/14/08 & 5/21/08)
Office Automation Analyst (5/14/08 & 5/21/08)
Office Systems Analyst (5/14/08 & 5/28/08)
Park Ranger
Plan Checker – Electrical (4/25/07 & 5/16/07)
Plumber
Police Recruit

RETIREMENTS:

It was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Infelise and carried that the following retirements be received and filed. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Joan Applewhite/Parking Control Checker II/Public Works
Martha McAlary/Business Systems Specialist
IV/Technology Services

RESIGNATION:

ANNETTE ABRAHAM/SCHOOL GUARD/POLICE

It was moved by Commissioner Infelise, seconded by Commissioner Saafir and carried that the subject resignation be received and filed. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

TRANSFERS:

It was moved by Commissioner Islas, seconded by Commissioner Saafir and carried that the following transfers between departments be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Victor Morales/Hazardous Materials Specialist I/Health
to Hazardous Materials Specialist III/Fire
Nerissa Mojica/Administrative Analyst III/Planning &
Building to Administrative Analyst III/Financial
Management

**CANCELLATION OF CIVIL
SERVICE COMMISSION
MEETING:**

It was moved by Commissioner Infelise, seconded by
Commissioner Haubert and carried to cancel the Civil
Service Commission meeting of November 26, 2008, due
to lack of a quorum. The motion carried by a unanimous
roll call vote.

**REVIEW OF EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR'S PERFORMANCE
STANDARDS FOR FY 08-09:**

It was moved by Commissioner Haubert, seconded by
Commissioner Saafir and carried that this item be held
over to the Commission meeting of November 12, 2008, to
be agendized as an Executive Session, pursuant to
Government Code 54957. The motion carried by a
unanimous roll call vote.

MANAGERS' REPORT:

Melinda George, Deputy Director, welcomed Robert
Pfungsthorn, Personnel Analyst, back to the Civil Service
Department.

The Secretary informed the Commission that he had
consulted the City Attorney regarding charging applicants a
fee for filing an employment application with the City of
Long Beach. The City Attorney stated that it was unlawful
to charge job applicants a fee for filing an application and
there is a Government Code in reference to this matter.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business before the Commission,
President Karatsu adjourned the meeting.



MARIO R. BEAS
Secretary

MRB:meh

**LONG BEACH CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
JEANNE KARATSU, PRESIDENT
NOVEMBER 12, 2008**

The regular meeting of the Civil Service Commission was held at 8:00 a.m., Wednesday, November 12, 2008, in the Board Room of the Commission, 333 West Ocean Boulevard, Seventh Floor, Long Beach, California.

MEMBERS PRESENT: F. Phil Infelise, Ahmed Saafir, Jeanne Karatsu, Douglas Haubert

MEMBER EXCUSED: Mary Islas

OTHERS PRESENT: Mario R. Beas, Executive Director & Secretary
Melinda George, Deputy Director
Marilyn Hall, Executive Assistant
Diane Dzodin, Personnel Analyst
Debbie McCluster, Personnel Analyst
Caprice McDonald, Personnel Analyst
Robert Pfingsthorn, Personnel Analyst
Lourdes Ferrer, Assistant Administrative Analyst
Donna de Araujo, Assistant Administrative Analyst
Mary Eme, Personnel Analyst, Human Resources

President Jeanne Karatsu presided.

MINUTES: It was moved by Commissioner Infelise, seconded by Commissioner Haubert and carried that the minutes of the regular meeting of November 5, 2008, be approved as prepared. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

**REQUEST TO EXTEND
NON-CAREER APPOINTMENT:**

JENNA ESTES/ADMINISTRATIVE INTERN

The Secretary presented a communication from Phil T. Hester, Director of Parks, Recreation and Marine, requesting Commission approval to extend the non-career appointment for Jenna Estes, Administrative Intern for 400 hours. In addition, the Secretary presented a staff report prepared by Sal Ambriz, Personnel Analyst. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Haubert, seconded by Commissioner Saafir and carried that the request to extend non-career hours be approved in accordance with Section 49 of the Civil Service Rules and Regulations. The motion carried unanimously.

REQUEST TO REVERT TO CLASSIFIED SERVICE AND TRANSFER:

STEPHANIE CADWELL/CLERK TYPIST /HEALTH TO PAYROLL/PERSONNEL ASSISTANT/FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

The Secretary requested that this item be withdrawn. It was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Infelise and carried to withdraw this item from the agenda. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

REQUEST TO PARTICIPATE IN EXAMINATION:

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER

The Secretary presented a communication from Erica Petrotta, requesting Commission approval to participate in the examination for Animal Control Officer, administered on October 23, 2008. In addition, the Secretary presented a staff report prepared by Lourdes Ferrer, Assistant Administrative Analyst. Ms. Ferrer briefed the Commission regarding this request. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Haubert, seconded by Commissioner Infelise and carried to deny Ms. Petrotta's request to participate in the Animal Control Officer examination. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

EXAMINATION RESULTS:

It was moved by Commissioner Infelise, seconded by Commissioner Saafir and carried that the following examination results be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Capital Projects Coordinator – 88 Applied, 15 Qualified
Civil Engineering Assistant – 11 Applied, 11 Qualified
Clerk Typist – 991 Applied, 320 Qualified
Public Safety Dispatcher – 287 Applied, 45 Qualified
Water Conservation Specialist – 59 Applied, 14 Qualified
Water Treatment Operator – 15 Applied, 2 Qualified

EXTENSION OF EXPIRING ELIGIBLE LISTS:

It was moved by Commissioner Haubert, seconded by Commissioner Saafir and carried that the following eligible lists be extended for an additional six months. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

General Librarian
Senior Civil Engineer
Senior Traffic Engineer
Supervisor – Facility Maintenance
Systems Technician
Transportation Planner

RETIREMENTS:

It was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Infelise and carried that the following retirements be received and filed. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

Robert Deeds/Marina Agent II/Parks
Theodore Spelic/Special Services Officer IV/Police
Ann Ritter/Business Systems Specialist IV/Technology Services

RESIGNATION:

STEVEN MIU/COMMUNITY INFORMATION SPECIALIST I/PARKS

It was moved by Commissioner Haubert, seconded by Commissioner Saafir and carried that the subject resignation be received and filed. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

TRANSFER:

JUDITH DIAS/CLERK TYPIST II/OIL PROPERTIES TO CLERK TYPIST III/CIVIL SERVICE

It was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Infelise and carried that the subject transfer between departments be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

SCHEDULE FOR HEARING:

SUSPENSION HEARING 13-D-34

It was moved by Commissioner Infelise, seconded by Commissioner Haubert and carried that the subject hearing be rescheduled to January 15, 2009. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

MANAGERS' REPORT:

Melinda George, Deputy Director, informed the Commission that Caprice McDonald, Personnel Analyst, completed the Fire Engineer Performance examination on Friday, and that everything went well. She also stated that staff conducted another Police Recruit examination on Saturday, November 8, 2008, and would be conducting the final examinations for Police Recruit on Tuesday, November 18, 2008 and Thursday, November 20, 2008. She introduced Judith Dias, Clerk Typist, who transferred from Oil Properties to Civil Service to the Commission.

The Secretary informed the Commission that he and Melinda would be conducting interviews for the Administrative Officer position on November 21, 2008.

COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC:

Danny Wilson addressed the Commission regarding the ability to access all positions he has applied for through NeoGov. He stated that he would like to be able to access a list of all positions for which he has applied. He also stated that he would provide the Commission with a copy of a suggestion he submitted to the Mayor and City Council regarding ideas for the Mayor's reform for Civil Service.

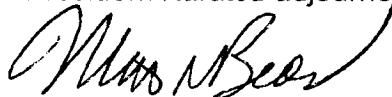
**REVIEW OF EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR'S PERFORMANCE
STANDARDS FOR FY 08-09:**

It was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Infelise and carried to recess the meeting to an Executive Session pursuant to Government Code 54957.8. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote. After reviewing the Executive Director's Performance Standards for Fiscal Year 2008-09 and discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Haubert, seconded by Commissioner Infelise and carried to reconvene the Commission meeting. The motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote.

President Karatsu reconvened the Commission meeting and Commissioner Haubert announced that the Commission approved the Executive Director's performance objectives for Fiscal Year 2008-09, with revisions to objectives 7 and 10, and to add an additional objective, 13.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business before the Commission, President Karatsu adjourned the meeting.



MARIO R. BEAS
Secretary

MRB:meh

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS
LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA
OCTOBER 23, 2008

The Board of Water Commissioners of the City of Long Beach met in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 1800 E. Wardlow Road, Long Beach, California, on October 23, 2008.

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by President Allen.

PRESENT:	John Allen	Commissioner
	Paul Blanco	Commissioner
	Frank Clarke	Commissioner
	Suzanne Dallman	Commissioner
	Charles Parkin	Principal Deputy City Attorney
	Kevin L. Wattier	General Manager
	Sandra L. Fox	Secretary to the Board of Water Commissioners
	Robert C. Cheng	Deputy General Manager – Operations
	B. Anatole Falagan	Deputy General Manager – Business
	Ryan J. Alsop	Director, Government & Public Affairs
	Dynna Long	Office Administrator

ABSENT:	William B. Townsend	Commissioner
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1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Suzanne Dallman led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

October 9, 2008

Upon motion by Commissioner Blanco, seconded by Commissioner Clarke and unanimously carried, the minutes of the Meeting of October 9, 2008 were approved.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

President Allen opened the public comment period. As there were no requests to address the Board on non-agenda items, the public comment period was closed.

4. REVIEW BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER 2008

- John D. S. Allen, President, Board of Water Commissioners

The Board discussed the proposed meeting schedule for the month of November 2008.

Upon motion by Commissioner Blanco, seconded by Commissioner Clarke and unanimously carried, the board meeting schedule for November 2008 was approved.

The Board agreed to the following meeting schedule:

November 6, 2008	Regular Meeting – 9:15 A.M.
November 20, 2008	Regular Meeting – 7:00 P.M.

President Allen advised that Suzanne Dallman requested to be excused from the November 6, 2008 board meeting.

It was moved by Commissioner Blanco, seconded by Commissioner Clarke, and unanimously approved to excuse Commissioner Dallman from the November 6, 2008 board meeting.

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- John D. S. Allen, President, Board of Water Commissioners

President Allen reported that he and Commissioner Blanco had attended the NAACP Freedom Fund Banquet on Friday, October 17, 2008. He advised this was an enjoyable event, and that Councilman Dee Andrews and his guests had also been seated at the Water Department table.

6. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT
Kevin L. Wattier, General Manager

HUELL HOWSER TELEVISION SHOW

Mr. Wattier reported that the recent taping with Huell Howsuer highlighting the City of Long Beach conservation efforts had aired on KCET on October 22, 2008. He reported this was a well-produced program, and that staff would arrange for copies of the program to be made available to all of the commissioners.

WATER EFFICIENT LANDSCAPE GIVEAWAY PROGRAM UPDATE

Mr. Wattier reported to date one thousand one hundred fifty entries had been received for the Water Efficient Landscape Giveaway program. He recommended possibly accelerating the closing deadline for this program to the end of November 2008, instead of early in January 2009 due to the response.

It was agreed this matter would be agendaized for the next meeting for discussion.

STATE WATER PROJECT ALLOCATION

Mr. Wattier advised there had been discussion that the State Water Project (SWP) allocation data for 2009 might be released earlier than normal, possibly by the beginning of the week of October 27, 2008. He advised that staff was anticipating the allocation might be in the range of 10 – 15%. He reported that in past dry years the lowest the allocation had been was 20%.

He reported that staff would be prepared to send out a media release stressing conservation when the SWP announcement was made.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

It was moved by Commissioner Blanco, and seconded by Commissioner Clarke to approve Consent Calendar items 7a. through 7c. These Consent Calendar items were unanimously approved.

7a. Approval of Transfer of Funds by Journal Entry Dated October 23, 2008

A communication was presented to the Board from Paul Fujita, which is on file at the Long Beach Water Department.

7b. Approval of Retirement Order No. 6085 for items that have become obsolete and/or unrepairable during the current year, and authorize the removal of these items from the Department records

A communication was presented to the Board from B. Anatole Falagan, which is on file at the Long Beach Water Department.

7c. Approval of Retirement Order No. 6086 for items that have become obsolete and/or unrepairable during the current year, and authorize the removal of these items from the Department records.

A communication was presented to the Board from Robert Cheng, which is on file at the Long Beach Water Department.

8. **Adopt Resolution No. WD-1250 Authorizing the General Manager to Enter into a Sole Source Contract with Chandler's Sand and Gravel LLC (Chandler's) for Disposal of Construction Materials, not to exceed \$250,000 for a One-Year Period; with Option to Extend for Two Additional One-Year Periods, Subject to Maximum Cost Increase of Five Percent (5%) per Renewal Period**
- **Robert C. Cheng, Deputy General Manager - Operations**

Mr. Cheng provided a briefing which included the history of the contract with Chandler, and the rationale for a sole source contract.

President Allen inquired if \$250,000 was the market rate for this type of service. Mr. Cheng advised that it was.

It was moved by Commissioner Blanco, and seconded by Commissioner Clarke to Adopt Resolution No. WD-1250 Authorizing the General Manager to Enter into a Sole Source Contract with Chandler's Sand and Gravel LLC (Chandler's) for Disposal of Construction Materials, not to exceed \$250,000 for a One-Year Period; with Option to Extend for Two Additional One-Year Periods, Subject to Maximum Cost Increase of Five Percent (5%) per Renewal Period.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

AYES:	COMMISSIONERS:	<u>PAUL BLANCO, FRANK CLARKE</u>
		<u>SUZANNE DALLMAN, JOHN ALLEN</u>
NOES:	COMMISSIONERS:	<u>NONE</u>
ABSENT:	COMMISSIONERS:	<u>TOWNSEND</u>
ABSTAIN:	COMMISSIONERS:	<u>NONE</u>

Motion carried 4 yes; 1 absence.

9. **REPORT OF THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT (MWD) BOARD MEETING ON OCTOBER 14, 2008**
- **Kevin L. Wattier, General Manager**

Mr. Wattier provided the report in the absence of Suja Lowenthal, Metropolitan Water District Director.

Mr. Wattier reported the MWD Board had voted to phase out the MWD Interim Agriculture Water Program (IAWP) over a five-year period. He advised that agricultural producers would still be able to purchase water, but it would now be at the full price.

Mr. Wattier reported that due to the current water levels at the Diamond Valley Lake reservoir, the MWD Board had suspended boat launching activities until further notice. He advised the MWD Board considered an agenda item at their meeting to

appropriate funds to extend the boat ramp; however, they only approved the design of an extended boat ramp, and agreed to wait for a third party to fund this change.

Mr. Wattier advised that Chairman Brick had been reelected to another two-year term.

Commissioner Clarke requested an update on the recent report of arsenic in a MWD water aquifer. Mr. Wattier reported that in the Semitropic Water District Banking Program area there are known levels of arsenic. He advised that State Aqueduct pumping requirements would require treatment of this water by MWD prior to pumping it into the aqueduct. He reported that approval allows for technology similar to that used by LADWP on their aqueduct facilities to remove the arsenic.

Commissioner Clarke inquired about MWD's financial exposure to a variety of issues. There was brief discussion regarding this matter. Mr. Wattier reported that MWD's exposure was minor.

10. LEGISLATIVE ISSUES/ACTIONS/BILLS

- **Ryan J. Alsop, Director, Government & Public Affairs**

Mr. Alsop advised that activity was slow at this time and he did not have a formal report. No questions were asked.

11. NEW BUSINESS

President Allen introduced and welcomed Suzanne Dallman, the new Commissioner appointed to the Board of Water Commissioners.

Ms. Dallman commented that she looked forward to working with the other Commissioners as a member of the board. She also noted her background was in stormwater management to eliminate pollution of ground water, and that she is currently teaching geography at California State University Long Beach.

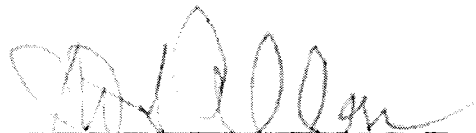
She reported that she would be missing the next board meeting due to her attendance at the California Water Policy 18 Conference in Pasadena.

11. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Allen adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m. to the next regular meeting of the Water Commission to be held November 6, 2008, in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 1800 E. Wardlow, in Long Beach, California.


Frank Clarke, Secretary

Attest:


John D. S. Allen President