

**CITY OF LONG BEACH
WATER COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2019
LONG BEACH WATER DEPARTMENT
1800 EAST WARDLOW ROAD
BOARD ROOM, 9:00 AM**

Harry Saltzgaver, President
Frank Martinez, Vice President
Arthur Levine, Secretary



Robert Shannon, Commissioner
Gloria Cordero, Commissioner

Christopher J. Garner, General Manager

Richard Anthony, Deputy City Attorney

FINISHED AGENDA & FINAL MINUTES

The Water Commission minutes are prepared and ordered to correspond to the Water Commission agenda. Agenda items can be taken out of order during the meeting.

The agenda items were considered in the order presented.

CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Water Commission meeting was called to order by President Saltzgaver at 9:02 A.M. in the Board room at the Administration building.

ROLL CALL

Executive Assistant, Sandra Fox took the roll call and confirmed a quorum.

Also present: B. Anatole Falagan, Assistant General Manager; Tai Tseng, Assistant General Manager - Operations; Sean Crumby, Deputy General Manager - Engineering; Sandra Fox, Executive Assistant to the Board.

Commissioners Harry Saltzgaver, Frank Martinez, Robert Shannon and Gloria

Present: Cordero

Commissioners Art Levine

Absent:

FLAG SALUTE

Rick Gonzalez led the Board and the audience in the flag salute.

PUBLIC COMMENT

President Saltzgaver opened the public comment period. As there was no public comment, the public comment period was closed.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Saltzgaver advised the Board that he had had a recent meeting with Assemblymember Patrick O'Donnell to discuss water issues.

President Saltzgaver also provided a summary of the recent main breaks and repairs that had taken place in the Spinnaker Bay neighborhood. He reported that a community meeting with Councilmember Price was scheduled for Monday, November 11th at 5:30 P.M.

ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Falagan, Assistant General Manager made brief remarks regarding the Spinnaker Bay main breaks.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. [19-084WA](#) Recommendation to approve July 11, 2019 Board meeting minutes.

A motion was made by Commissioner Shannon, seconded by Commissioner Cordero, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Harry Saltzgaver, Frank Martinez, Robert Shannon and Gloria Cordero

Absent: 1 - Art Levine

2. [19-086WA](#) Recommendation to review December 2019 and January 2020 Board meeting calendars.

The Board reviewed their meeting dates for December 2019 and January 2020.

The following meeting dates were confirmed:

December 5, 2019 - 9:00 A.M.

December 19, 2019 - 9:00 A.M.

December 20, 2019 - 9:00 A.M. Special Joint Meeting with Water Replenishment District Board

January 9, 2020 - 9:00 A.M.

January 23, 2020 - 9:00 A.M.

3. [19-087WA](#) Recommendation to authorize the General Manager to execute a six (6) month Revocable Facilities Use Permit with an option to extend the term one (1) time for a period of six (6) months, with GenH, Incorporated, for use of 1,500 sq. ft. of space at Long Beach Water Department-owned property at St. Louis Avenue and 32nd Street, for the purpose of installing a temporary testbed to test a modular hydropower system.

BUREAU:
Business Administration

Mr. Bott provided a presentation and background details regarding the requested Revocable Facilities Use Permit.

Mr. Rick Theder, CEO of GenH, Incorporated made comments.

Commissioner Cordero spoke.

President Saltzgaver inquired about the noise impact for the GenH, Incorporated pilot project.

Mr. Theder responded.

A motion was made by Commissioner Shannon, seconded by Commissioner Cordero, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Harry Saltzgaver, Frank Martinez, Robert Shannon and Gloria Cordero

Absent: 1 - Art Levine

4. [19-088WA](#)

Recommendation to:

- A. Authorize the General Manager to utilize the existing On-Call Services for Emergency Water and Sewer Repair contract (Contract) with Charles King Company, Inc. (Contractor) to construct the domestic and fire line services on behalf CG&K Design and Build Inc. (Developer) for the Staybridge Suites located at 2640 Lakewood Boulevard (Project).
- B. Execute an agreement with Developer to reimburse the Long Beach Water Department (LBWD) for the Project as applicable.
- C. Increase Contract amount with Contractor by \$270,681.25 to cover construction costs associated with the Project.

**BUREAU:
Engineering**

Mr. Crumby provided the briefing regarding this agenda item. His remarks included a description of the site and requested activity related to the contract.

Commissioner Cordero spoke.

Commissioner Martinez spoke.

President Saltzgaver inquired who provided the engineering services for this project.

Mr. Crumby advised the developer had conducted the engineering services for the project.

President Saltzgaver inquired regarding fees for the project.

Mr. Crumby responded. He also noted that the Long Beach Water Department was in the process of revising department developer fees.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cordero, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Harry Saltzgaver, Frank Martinez, Robert Shannon and Gloria Cordero

Absent: 1 - Art Levine

5. [19-089WA](#)

Recommendation to Authorize attendance and sponsorship of the Goodwill Celebrate the Power of Work Awards Dinner, at the Long Beach Convention Center Pacific Ballroom in Long Beach, California, February 26, 2020.

**BUREAU:
Executive**

President Saltzgaver advised the Board that he serves on the Board for Goodwill.

Commissioner Martinez made a motion to approve a Gold sponsorship in the amount of \$4,000; and also commented on the event.

Commissioner Cordero spoke regarding Long Beach Water Department possibly having an information table at this event.

President Saltzgaver advised that an information table would not be appropriate at this type of event.

Commissioner Shannon made a motion to approve a sponsorship in the amount of \$3,800.

Mr. Anthony noted that both of the previous motions had failed for lack of a second.

Mr. Shannon made a motion to approve a Silver sponsorship (\$2,000) and the purchase of an additional table of ten in the amount of \$900 for a total sponsorship of \$2,900. Commissioner Martinez seconded this motion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Shannon, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Frank Martinez, Robert Shannon and Gloria Cordero

Abstain: 1 - Harry Saltzgaver

Absent: 1 - Art Levine

RECYCLED WATER SYSTEM OVERVIEW

Mr. Wang provided a presentation regarding the Recycled Water System.

President Saltzgaver inquired about possibly making recycled water available to Caesar Chavez Park.

Mr. Wang responded it is not cost effective to provide recycled water to Caesar Chavez Park at this time.

Mr. Falagan spoke.

President Saltzgaver inquired about storage for recycled water.

Mr. Wang responded.

Mr. Falagan spoke.

Mr. Martinez asked if the Long Beach Water Department had done modeling to determine how much potable water would be needed to supplement the recycled water system.

Mr. Wang responded yes.

Mr. Falagan made follow-up comments.

The report was received and filed.

ANNUAL STATE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Ms. Jillian Croci made introductory comments.

Mr. Jackson Gualco and Ms. Kendra Daijogo of The Gualco Group provided a State 2019 legislative and regulatory overview report.

Commissioner Martinez made comments regarding Native lands not being included in SB 200 - Safe Drinking Water Act.

Mr. Gualco responded.

Commissioner Martinez commented on PFAs standards not yet being set; and inquired about funding assistance for agencies needing assistance in meeting these eventual PFAs mandates.

Mr. Falagan responded to this inquiry.

Commissioner Cordeo requested that a report be agendaized for a future Board meeting regarding Voluntary Settlement Agreements for the San Joaquin and Sacramento rivers.

Commissioner Shannon spoke.

President Saltzgaver spoke.

Ms. Croci made closing remarks.

The report was received and filed.

CONSIDER STANDING COMMITTEE REFERRALS

President Saltzgaver called for any Standing Committee referrals. Hearing none he moved on in the agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

President Saltzgaver called for a motion to excuse Commissioner Levine from the November 7, 2019 Board meeting.

Commissioner Martinez made a motion to excuse Commissioner Levine from the November 7, 2019 Board meeting. Commissioner Shannon seconded the motion.

The motion carried with a 4 yes, 1 absent (Levine) vote.

6. [19-090WA](#)

CLOSED SESSION:

Existing Litigation - closed session conference with legal counsel relating to existing litigation pursuant to Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9 of the California Government Code.

1. *Diana Lejins and Angela Kimball v. City of Long Beach, et al.*, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No.: 18STCP02628.

President Saltzgaver read the Closed Session language into the record and called for any public comment. Hearing none he adjourned the Board to the Closed Session at 10:18 A.M.

President Saltzgaver reconvened the Board meeting at 10:32 A.M. and advised he had nothing to report from the Closed Session.

ADJOURNMENT

President Saltzgaver adjourned the Board meeting at 10:33 A.M. to the next Regular meeting, Thursday, November 21, 2019, at 9:00 A.M. in the Board room at 1800 E. Wardlow Road, Long Beach, CA.

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