

**CITY OF LONG BEACH  
WATER COMMISSION  
MINUTES**

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2021  
LONG BEACH WATER DEPARTMENT  
1800 EAST WARDLOW ROAD  
BOARD ROOM, 9:00 AM**

Frank Martinez, President  
Arthur Levine, Vice President

Christopher J. Garner, General Manager



Robert Shannon, Secretary  
Gloria Cordero, Commissioner  
Naomi Rainey, Commissioner

Richard Anthony, Deputy City Attorney

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**REGULAR MEETING - 9:00 A.M.**

**FINISHED AGENDA AND FINAL MINUTES**

The Agenda Items were considered in the following order: Agenda Item Nos. 3, 4, 5, 6, 1, 2, 7, 8.

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Martinez called the meeting to order at 9:03am.

**FLAG SALUTE**

Chris Garner led the Board and audience in the flag salute.

**ROLL CALL**

**Commissioners** Gloria Cordero, Naomi Rainey, Robert Shannon and Frank

**Present:** Martinez

**Commissioners** Art Levine

**Absent:**

Also Present: Christopher J. Garner, General Manager; B. Anatole Falagan, Assistant General Manager; Tai Tseng, Assistant General Manager; Robert Verceles, Director of Engineering; Dynna Long, Acting Executive Assistant to the Board of Water Commissioners

Commissioner Cordero was excused from the Board meeting at 9:45am.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no comments from the public.

## **ELECTION OF OFFICERS - PRESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT, SECRETARY**

President Martinez nominated Secretary Shannon as President. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Rainey nominated Commissioner Cordero as Vice President. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Cordero nominated Commissioner Rainey as Secretary. Motion carried unanimously.

## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

President Martinez presented the President's report. He advised that Vice President Art Levine has resigned as Commissioner of Long Beach Water and that September 30, 2021 was his last meeting.

## **SEPTEMBER 23, 2021 FINANCE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT**

President Martinez presented his report on the Finance Committee meeting of September 23, 2021.

## **GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

Chris Garner presented the General Manager's report.

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

- 1    [21-177WA](#)       Recommendation to approve Transfer of Funds for September 30, 2021.

**A motion was made by Secretary Shannon, seconded by President Martinez, to approve recommendation excluding Transfer Nos. 230 and 231. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 3 - Naomi Rainey, Robert Shannon and Frank Martinez

**Excused:** 1 - Gloria Cordero

**Absent:** 1 - Art Levine

- 2    [21-178WA](#)       Recommendation to approve Retirement Order No. 6169 for items that have become obsolete or unrepairable during the current year. These items may or may not be sold to auction.

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

**Yes:** 3 - Naomi Rainey, Robert Shannon and Frank Martinez

**Excused:** 1 - Gloria Cordero

**Absent:** 1 - Art Levine

- 3    [21-179WA](#)       Recommendation to authorize the General Manager to execute an agreement with Ardurra Group, Inc. to provide Professional Engineering Services for the Program and Project Management of Capital Improvement Plan (EO-3596) in an amount not to exceed \$1,658,039 for a term of three (3) years.

Robert Verceles presented the report.

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

**Yes:** 4 - Gloria Cordero, Naomi Rainey, Robert Shannon and Frank Martinez

**Absent:** 1 - Art Levine

- 4 [21-180WA](#) Recommendation to authorize the General Manager to execute an agreement with DRP Engineering, Inc., to provide hydrogeological/ engineering design and construction management services for the Long Beach Water Department 2021 New Well Project (O-0750) to drill, develop, construct, and equip four (4) new municipal water wells (Camp Fire 1, Commission 23A, El Dorado 1, and Citizens 8A) and to destroy two (2) existing municipal water wells (Commission 23 and Citizens 8), in an amount not to exceed \$3,367,682.

Wendy Chen presented the report.

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

**Yes:** 3 - Naomi Rainey, Robert Shannon and Frank Martinez

**Excused:** 1 - Gloria Cordero

**Absent:** 1 - Art Levine

- 5 [21-181WA](#) Recommendation to adopt Resolution No. WD-1445 authorizing the General Manager to accept and expend California Water and Wastewater Arrearage Payment Program (CWWAPP) funds in an amount not to exceed \$1,429,543.

Jillian Croci presented the report.

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

**Yes:** 3 - Naomi Rainey, Robert Shannon and Frank Martinez

**Excused:** 1 - Gloria Cordero

**Absent:** 1 - Art Levine

- 6 [21-182WA](#) Recommendation to adopt Resolution No. WD-1446 authorizing the General Manager to sign and submit all necessary documents associated with the application for the United States Department of Interior Bureau of Reclamation Fiscal Year 2022 WaterSMART Drought Response Program: Drought Resiliency Projects for the LBWD 2021 New Well Project.

Jillian Croci presented the report.

**A motion was made by Secretary Shannon, seconded by President Martinez, to approve the amended recommendation reducing the number of wells for 4 to 2. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yes:** 3 - Naomi Rainey, Robert Shannon and Frank Martinez

**Excused:** 1 - Gloria Cordero

**Absent:** 1 - Art Levine

- 7 [21-183WA](#) Receive verbal Communications Plan Update.

**This WA-Agenda Item was laid over to October 14, 2021.**

- 8 [21-184WA](#) Receive verbal report of Water Resources Plan - Overview of Groundwater Supply

**This WA-Agenda Item was laid over to October 14, 2021.**

#### **CONSIDER STANDING COMMITTEE REFERRALS**

There were no Standing Committee referrals.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

There were no New Business.

**ADJOURNMENT**

President Martinez adjourned the meeting at 10:12am.

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