

**CITY OF LONG BEACH
WATER COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**THURSDAY, MARCH 31, 2022
LONG BEACH WATER DEPARTMENT
VIA TELECONFERENCE, 9:00 AM**

Robert Shannon, President
Gloria Cordero, Vice President



Naomi Rainey, Secretary
Frank Martinez, Commissioner

Christopher J. Garner, General Manager

Richard Anthony, Principal Deputy City
Attorney

REVISED

REGULAR MEETING

FINISHED AGENDA AND DRAFT MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

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

FLAG SALUTE

Joseph Baquerizo led the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Frank Martinez, Naomi Rainey, Gloria Cordero and Robert
Present: Shannon

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Diana Lejins spoke.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Shannon had no items to report.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Chris Garner presented the General Manager's report.

The Agenda Items were considered in the following order: 1-5, 14, 6-13

REGULAR AGENDA

1. 22-060WA Recommendation to approve March 17, 2022 Board meeting minutes.

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

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

2. 22-061WA Recommendation to adopt Resolution WD-1458 authorizing an amendment to the terms of compensation for the General Manager.

Robert Fox spoke.

Vice President Cordero spoke.

Secretary Rainey spoke.

President Shannon spoke.

A motion was made by Vice President Cordero, seconded by Secretary Rainey, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

3. 22-062WA Recommendation to review invitation for a Board sponsorship of the virtual event of the 2nd Annual CSULB Black Alumni Scholarship Gala to be held on April 23, 2022 in Long Beach, California.

Secretary Rainey spoke.
Commissioner Martinez spoke.
Chris Garner spoke.
Vice President Cordero spoke.

A motion was made by Vice President Cordero, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to approve a sponsorship amount of \$1,000. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Abstain: 1 - Naomi Rainey

4. 22-063WA Recommendation to adopt Resolution No. WD-1459 authorizing the General Manager to sign and file all necessary documents associated with the application for the United States Department of Interior Bureau of Reclamation Fiscal Year 2022 WaterSMART: Applied Science Grants for the Well Asset and Groundwater Management and Forecasting Project.

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

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

5. 22-064WA Recommendation to authorize the General Manager to exercise the option to renew the contract with WaterSmart Software for a Water Efficiency Outreach and Customer Portal Solution for a period of one-year in an amount not to exceed \$119,000.

Vice President Cordero spoke.
Dean Wang spoke.

A motion was made by Vice President Cordero, seconded by Secretary Rainey, to approve recommendation. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

6. 22-065WA Recommendation to authorize the General Manager to enter into an agreement for Hybrid Cloud Telephone System with ConvergeOne for a period of three (3) years in a total aggregate amount not to exceed \$515,000 plus 10% contingency.

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

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

7. 22-066WA Adopt Resolution WD-1460 authorizing the General Manager to enter into an agreement with Hewlett Packard Enterprise, under the purchase conditions specified in the NASPO Cloud Master Agreement (formerly WSCA), for cloud computer equipment and support over a period of five (5) years and a total aggregate amount not to exceed \$600,000 plus 10% contingency.

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

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

8. 22-067WA Recommendation to adopt Specifications WD-17-20 for the Spinnaker Bay Drive Water Main Replacement Project - Phase 1 (MC-5199) and authorize the General Manager to sign a construction contract with Ferreira Construction Co., Inc. dba Ferreira Coastal Construction Co., in the amount of \$3,860,322.

Carlos Ovalle spoke.

Chris Garner spoke.

Commissioner Martinez spoke.

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

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

AGENDA ITEMS 9-13 WERE APPROVED CONCURRENTLY.

9. 22-068WA Recommendation to authorize the General Manager to execute an agreement with NKS Mechanical Engineering, to provide air handling units through a pre-purchase package (WD-24-22) for the GWTP HVAC Replacement Project (EO-3500), in an amount not to exceed \$1,306,628.

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

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

10. 22-069WA Recommendation to authorize the General Manager to execute an agreement with Norman S. Wright, to provide an air-cooled chiller through a pre-purchase package (WD-25-22) for the GWTP HVAC Replacement Project (EO-3500), in an amount not to exceed \$352,766.

This WA-Agenda Item was approved.

11. 22-070WA Recommendation to authorize the General Manager to execute an agreement with Norman S. Wright, to provide exhaust fans through a pre-purchase package (WD-26-22) for the GWTP HVAC Replacement Project (EO-3500), in an amount not to exceed \$300,072.

This WA-Agenda Item was approved.

12. 22-071WA Recommendation to authorize the General Manager to execute an agreement with Norman S. Wright, to provide make-up air units through a pre-purchase package (WD-27-22) for the GWTP HVAC Replacement Project (EO-3500), in the amount not to exceed \$53,552.

This WA-Agenda Item was approved.

13. 22-072WA Recommendation to authorize the General Manager to execute an agreement with Dawson Company, to provide a heat hot water system through a pre-purchase package (WD-28-22) for the GWTP HVAC Replacement Project (EO-3500), in an amount not to exceed \$130,579.

This WA-Agenda Item was approved.

14. 22-073WA Adopt Resolution WD-1461 adopting the amended and restated annual budget for the Long Beach Water Department for fiscal year 2021-2022 and authorize staff to transmit the resolution and the amended budget to the City Council.

Approve a one-time utility rebate to all current water customers of the Long Beach Water Department, to be applied evenly per customer account in a total amount not to exceed \$9 million and direct the General Manager to take such actions as necessary to provide the rebate.

Thirteen written comments were received and entered into record.

President Shannon spoke.

Principal Deputy City Attorney Richard Anthony spoke.

Brandon Walker presented the report.

Carlos Ovalle spoke.

Laura Sellmer spoke.

Lisa Harris spoke.

Ann Cantrell spoke.

Robyne Captanis spoke.

Diana Lejins spoke.

Chip Whalen spoke.

Gary DeVercelly spoke.

Rashid Ocheltree spoke.

Juan Ovalle spoke.

Corliss Lee spoke.

Robert Fox spoke.

Angela Kimball spoke.

Birgit De La Torre spoke.

City Auditor Laura Doud spoke.

Commissioner Martinez spoke.

Vice President Cordero spoke.

Secretary Rainey spoke.

Brandon Walker informed the Board that the Budget Workshop will be scheduled for May 12, 2022.

Chris Garner noted that the budget meeting dates will be included in the utility bill stuffer and online.

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

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

CONSIDER STANDING COMMITTEE REFERRALS

There were no Standing Committee referrals.

Commissioner Martinez expressed interest in serving on the Infrastructure Standing Committee alongside incoming Commissioner Maguire.

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Vice President Cordero, to approve the absence of Secretary Rainey from the March 17, 2022 Board meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Martinez reported that former Commissioner Art Levine is recuperating at home.

ADJOURNMENT

President Shannon adjourned the meeting at 10:57am.

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