

**LONG BEACH CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
JEANNE KARATSU, PRESIDENT
JUNE 4, 2008**

The regular meeting of the Civil Service Commission was held at 8:00 a.m., Wednesday, June 4, 2008, in the Board Room of the Commission, 333 West Ocean Boulevard, Seventh Floor, Long Beach, California.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mary Islas, F. Phil Infelise, Herb Levi, Ahmed Saafir, Jeanne Karatsu

MEMBER EXCUSED:

OTHERS PRESENT: Mario R. Beas, Executive Director & Secretary
Herman M. Long, Deputy Director
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
Paul Heuchert, Personnel Analyst, Human Resources

President Jeanne Karatsu presided.

President Karatsu thanked her fellow Commissioners and the Civil Service staff for their concern and patience during her absence, and a special thanks to Commissioner Saafir for continuing to serve as the Commission's President during her absence.

MINUTES: It was moved by Commissioner Islas, seconded by Commissioner Infelise and carried that the minutes of the regular meeting of May 28, 2008, be approved as prepared. The motion carried unanimously.

PROVISIONAL APPOINTMENTS: The Secretary presented a communication from David W. Ellis, Fire Chief, requesting Commission authorization to provisionally appoint Marine Safety Officers, Scott Dixon, Jeff Gillott, Gonzalo Medina, Patrick Morrison, Omar Naranjo, James Reinheimer, Tyler Wawrzynski, Lan Wenger and Jeff Williams to the classification of Marine Safety Sergeant and Non-Career Ocean Lifeguard, Mitch Garrison, to Marine Safety Sergeant. In addition, the Secretary presented a staff report prepared by Lourdes Ferrer, Assistant Administrative Analyst. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Levi, seconded by

Commissioner Infelise and carried that the request be granted in accordance with the Civil Service Commission Policy 1.02 and Section 43 of the Civil Service Rules and Regulations. The motion carried unanimously.

**REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY
REASSIGNMENT FOR
TRAINING AND TRANSFER:**

**FONDA M. JONES/MAINTENANCE ASSISTANT/PARKS
RECREATION AND MARINE TO GAS FIELD SERVICE
REPRESENTATIVE/LONG BEACH GAS AND OIL**

The Secretary presented a communication from Christopher J. Garner, Director of Long Beach Gas and Oil, requesting Commission authorization to temporarily reassign Fonda M. Jones, Maintenance Assistant, Parks, Recreation and Marine Department for training, and transfer to the Long Beach Gas and Oil Department, to the classification of Gas Field Service Representative. In addition, the Secretary presented a staff report prepared by Herman Long, Deputy Director. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Islas, seconded by Commissioner Levi and carried that the request for reassignment for training and transfer be approved, pursuant to Sections 63(3) and (64) of the Civil Service Rules and Regulations. The motion carried unanimously.

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

**SAMIRA HUSAIN/SPECIAL SERVICES OFFICER
PUBLIC WORKS**

The Secretary presented a communication from Cynthia Stafford, Administrative Officer, Public Works, requesting Commission approval to extend the non-career appointment to exceed her 1600-hours. 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 Levi and carried that the request to extend non-career hours be approved in accordance with Section 41(2) of the Civil Service Rules and Regulations and Section 1.01 of the Civil Service Commission Policies and Procedures. The motion carried unanimously.

BULLETIN:

POLICE LIEUTENANT

It was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Islas and carried that the subject Job Opportunity Bulletin be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

EXAMINATION RESULTS:

It was moved by Commissioner Levi, seconded by Commissioner Infelise and carried that the following examination results be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

Accountant – 17 Applied, 11 Qualified
Office Automation Analyst – 21 Applied, 7 Qualified
Office Systems Analyst – 18 Applied, 12 Qualified
Public Health Physician – 4 Applied, 2 Qualified
Systems Technician – 17 Applied, 17 Qualified

EXTENSION OF EXPIRING ELIGIBLE LISTS:

It was moved by Commissioner Levi, seconded by Commissioner Infelise and carried that the following eligible lists be extended for an additional six months, except where otherwise noted. The motion carried unanimously.

Civil Engineer (12/12/07)
General Librarian (12/5/07)
Park Maintenance Supervisor
Park Naturalist (12/6/06 & 12/20/06)
Park Ranger
Petroleum Operations Coordinator (2 months)
Plumber
School Guard (2 months)
Senior Program Manager – Harbor
Surveyor (3 months)
Water Quality Organic Chemist

RETIREMENT:

It was moved by Commissioner Levi, seconded by Commissioner Islas and carried to withdraw the retirement. The motion carried unanimously.

TRANSFER:

BEVERLY NIEVES/PERSONNEL ANALYST I/CIVIL SERVICE TO PERSONNEL ANALYST II/HUMAN RESOURCES

It was moved by Commissioner Infelise, seconded by Commissioner Saafir and carried that the subject transfer between departments be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

SCHEDULE FOR HEARINGS:

It was moved by Commissioner Islas, seconded by Commissioner Saafir and carried that the following hearing schedule be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

Suspension/Reduction Hearing 16-S/R-78, November 19, 2008

Suspension Hearing 14-S-78 – December 3 & 8, 2008

MANAGERS' REPORT:

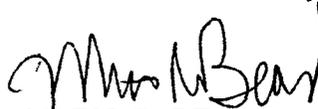
Melinda George, Employment Services Officer, informed the Commission that Karen Merritt is the new employee working at the public counter. She is a current City employee on modified duty from the Community Development Department, and that she will be assisting at the front counter for the next three months.

Herman Long, Deputy Director, informed the Commission that Certification Section staff was being trained on the new MOU with the employee associations. He indicated that Human Resources is willing to do a special training for Civil Service employees if they would like to attend the training. He also informed the Commission that Civil Service will be doing an orientation for the new Management Assistants in July.

The Secretary thanked staff and the Commission for supporting the potluck recognizing staff members who were transferring to other departments. He also informed the Commission that he and management staff had a conference call with NeoGov on Tuesday regarding the implementation of NeoGov to consolidate our applicant tracking systems. He stated that since we currently use SIGMA, which was recently purchased by NeoGov, the cost to implement is lower than what was expected. He also stated the Water Department has agreed to allow Chris Daclan to assist Civil Service with this project.

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
JUNE 11, 2008**

The regular meeting of the Civil Service Commission was held at 8:00 a.m., Wednesday, June 11, 2008, in the Board Room of the Commission, 333 West Ocean Boulevard, Seventh Floor, Long Beach, California.

MEMBERS PRESENT: F. Phil Infelise, Herb Levi, Ahmed Saafir, Jeanne Karatsu

MEMBER EXCUSED: Mary Islas

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

President Jeanne Karatsu presided.

MINUTES: It was moved by Commissioner Levi, seconded by Commissioner Saafir and carried that the minutes of the regular meeting of June 4, 2008, be approved as prepared. The motion carried unanimously.

HEARING MINUTES: It was moved by Commissioner Levi, seconded by Commissioner Saafir and carried that Dismissal Hearing 16-D-67 minutes of June 4, 2008, be approved as prepared. The motion carried unanimously.

REQUEST FOR SELECTIVE CERTIFICATION: The Secretary presented a communication from Ronald R. Arias, Director of Health and Human Services, requesting Commission authorization for the selective certification for individuals who meet the minimum requirements for the program specialty of Risk Reduction/Pathways from the Public Health Professional eligible list. In addition, the Secretary presented a staff report prepared by Melinda George, Employment Services Officer. After discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Levi and carried that the request be approved, pursuant to Section 28 of the Civil Service Rules and Regulations. The motion carried unanimously.

EXAMINATION RESULTS:

It was moved by Commissioner Infelise, seconded by Commissioner Saafir and carried that the following examination results be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

Civil Engineering Assistant – 4 Applied, 4 Qualified
Gas Distribution Supervisor – 19 Applied, 12 Qualified
Office Automation Analyst – 19 Applied, 12 Qualified
Office Systems Analyst – 14 Applied, 12 Qualified
Public Health Physician (Amended) – 5 Applied, 2 Qualified
Public Health Professional – 2 Applied, 2 Qualified
Storekeeper – 138 Applied, 33 Qualified
Water Treatment Operator – 6 Applied, 6 Qualified
Water Utility Mechanic – 63 Applied, 24 Qualified

EXTENSION OF EXPIRING ELIGIBLE LISTS:

It was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Infelise and carried that the following eligible lists be extended for an additional six months, except for Petroleum Engineer (3/14/07 & 3/28/07), to be extended for three months. The motion carried unanimously.

Accounting Clerk
Epidemiologist (6/13/07 & 6/20/07)
Petroleum Engineer (3/14/07 & 3/28/07) - **(3 months)**
Petroleum Engineering Associate
Public Health Nurse (6/13/07 & 6/27/07)
Public Health Professional
Traffic Engineer

RETIREMENTS:

It was moved by Commissioner Infelise, seconded by Commissioner Levi and carried that the following retirements be received and filed. The motion carried unanimously.

Bruce Belknap/Senior Electrical Inspector/Planning & Building
Kvor Kerr/Special Services Officer II/Police
Josephine Kerr/Communications Dispatcher IV/Fire

RESIGNATIONS:

It was moved by Commissioner Saafir, seconded by Commissioner Infelise and carried that the following resignations be received and filed. The motion carried unanimously.

Mallory Neuble/Communications Dispatcher I/Fire
Lee Lim/Firefighter/Fire
Justin Murr/Police Officer/Police
Richard Rumpfelt/Special Services Officer IV/Harbor
Diana Shinn/Hazardous Materials Specialist I/Health

RESCHEDULE FOR HEARING:

SUSPENSION HEARING 03-S-56

It was moved by Commissioner Levi, seconded by Commissioner Saafir and carried that the subject hearing be rescheduled to July 2, 2008. The motion carried unanimously.

CANCELLATION OF CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION MEETING:

It was moved by Commissioner Infelise, seconded by Commissioner Levi and carried to cancel the Civil Service Commission meeting of July 2, 2008, due to lack of a quorum. The motion carried unanimously.

MANAGERS' REPORT:

Melinda George, Employment Services Officer, informed the Commission that Sal Ambriz, Personnel Analyst and Sharon Hamilton, Clerk Typist, are offsite conducting the Special Services Officer examination. She stated that the first tests for this examination were conducted on yesterday (Tuesday, June 10th) and that the show rate was very good. She also informed the Commission that Diane Dzodin, Personnel Analyst would be the supervisor for the public counter, Caprice McDonald, Personnel Analyst, would be the technical person, and that Lourdes Ferrer, Assistant Administrative Analyst would be the backup technical person.

Herman Long, Deputy Director, informed the Commission that he attend his second meeting regarding updating the City's job website. He stated that he took Chris Daclan, Personnel Analyst's position on the committee. He also stated that he would be conducting a new employee orientation on Thursday, June 12, 2008.

The Secretary informed the Commission that Caprice McDonald, Personnel Analyst II, has been upgraded to a Personnel Analyst III and Lourdes Ferrer, Assistant Administrative Analyst I, has been upgraded to an Assistant Administrative Analyst II.

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". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Mario" and last name "Beas" clearly distinguishable.

MARIO R. BEAS
Secretary

MRB:meh

CITY PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES**March 20, 2008**

The regular meeting of the City Planning Commission and public hearing convened Thursday, March 20, 2008 at 5:01 pm in the City Council Chambers, 333 W. Ocean Boulevard, Long Beach, CA.

PRESENT: COMMISSIONERS: Leslie Gentile, Phil Saumur, Charles Durnin, Melani Smith

ABSENT: EXCUSED: Charles Greenberg

CHAIRMAN: Leslie Gentile

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Craig Beck, Director
Greg Carpenter, Planning Bureau Manager
Jeff Winklepleck, Planner
Steve Valdez, Planner
Scott Kinsey, Planner
Heidi Eidson, Minutes Clerk

OTHERS PRESENT: Michael Mais, Assistant City Attorney
Dennis Eschen, Parks, Recreation & Marine

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The pledge of allegiance was led by Commissioner Durnin.

MINUTES

The minutes of February 7, 2008 were approved on a motion by Commissioner Durnin, seconded by Commissioner Saumur and passed 4-0. Commissioners Greenberg and Smith were absent.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

There was no Director's report given.

SWEARING OF WITNESSES**STUDY SESSION**

A study session was held to present revised plans for the Press Telegram project at 604 Pine Avenue.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Case No. 0710-12, Tentative Parcel Map No. 69667

Applicant: Maria Santana
Subject Site: 1716 Lemon Avenue (Council District 6)
Description: Request for approval of Tentative Parcel Map No. 69667 for the purpose of converting a three-unit apartment building currently under construction into condominiums.

Removed to regular agenda.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Case No. 0710-12, Tentative Parcel Map No. 69667

Applicant: Maria Santana
Subject Site: 1716 Lemon Avenue (Council District 6)
Description: Request for approval of Tentative Parcel Map No. 69667 for the purpose of converting a three-unit apartment building currently under construction into condominiums.

Rebecca Younger, 1092 E. 17th Street, commented that she did not support the project because she was concerned that it would create more need for parking in an already parking impacted neighborhood and she was concerned that multiple families may live in one unit.

Mr. Carpenter stated that the project complied with the parking requirements for new construction and invited Ms. Younger to meet with staff to review the plans for the project.

Commissioner Durnin made a motion to approve the Tentative Parcel Map and Commissioner Gentile seconded the motion which passed 4-0. Commissioner Greenberg was absent.

2. Presentation of the Downtown Parking and Access Strategic Plan

Craig Beck presented a summary of the parking study for downtown and discussed the ten specific elements of the Strategic Plan.

Kraig Kojian, President and CEO of the Downtown Long Beach Associates, discussed promoting the parking plan through the "Ride, Park and Play" program. Mr. Kojian mentioned that the Downtown Long Beach Associates was looking to create partnerships through the City, County and Metropolitan Transit Authority to help fund the advertising and educational campaign.

Mr. Kojian also discussed in depth the web page that the DLBA created to provide information regarding downtown parking resources and alternative transportation.

Commissioner Saumur made a motion to approve the Parking and Access Strategic Plan for Downtown and recommend City Council adoption. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion which passed 4-0. Commissioner Greenberg was absent.

3. Case No. 0712-03, General Plan Amendment, Zone Change, Site Plan Review, General Plan Conformity, Standards Variance, Lot Merger, ND 03-08

Applicant: Anna Mendiola, City of Long Beach
Parks, Recreation and Marine Bureau
Subject Site: 1401 Chestnut Avenue
Description: General Plan Amendment, Zone Change, Site Plan Review, General Plan Conformity, Standards Variance and Lot Merger to allow the construction of a 1.92-acre public park.

Steve Valdez presented the staff report recommending approval of the project.

In response to a query from Commissioner Saumur regarding the enclosure of the soccer field, Jeff Winklepleck stated that a fence surrounded the area.

Dennis Eschen of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Marine further commented that there is a retaining wall which separates the different levels between the passive and active area.

In response to a query from Commissioner Durnin regarding visibility into the park, Mr. Eschen commented that the landscaping was designed to not impinge on site lines and that landscaping would also be provided near the change of elevation where there is no visual connection between the two levels. He further commented that in response to concerns from the neighborhood and Police Department the park would be well lit at night.

Jack Smith, 2453 Golden Avenue, representing Better Balance for Long Beach, stated that his organization supported the project and had worked hard to have this park developed.

Linda Palazzo, 1415 Cedar Avenue, stated that she was in support of the project and that with over 5,000 children in the neighborhood it would be a real asset.

Commissioner Durnin made a motion to certify the Negative Declaration, recommend that City Council approve the Zone Changes and amendments to

the General Plan and approve the Site Plan Review, Standards Variance, Lot Merger and Finding of General Plan Conformity, subject to conditions. Commissioner Saumur seconded the motion which passed 2-0. Commissioners Gentile and Smith recused themselves and Commissioner Greenberg was absent.

4. Case No. 0710-05, Conditional Use Permit

Applicant: Trilium Telecom Services, Inc. for T-Mobile
c/o Kristin Galardo
Subject Site: 6226 E. Spring Street (Council District 5)
Description: Request for approval of a Conditional Use Permit for installation of a new 55' high wireless telecommunications monopole disguised as a light standard, to be located in the parking lot of the Spring Medical Building.

Scott Kinsey presented the staff report recommending approval of the installation of the monopole and showed additional visuals of the site and proposed monolight.

Mr. Kinsey also discussed two new conditions to become standard for wireless telecommunication applications. These include requiring the carrier to provide a list and coverage map of all of their wireless sites they own or operate in Long Beach and a requirement that all wireless equipment located at a site be evaluated for co-location and visual improvement when any carrier seeks a modification or a new approval at that site.

Mike Mais commented that a letter had been received from the Long Beach Unified School District objecting to the project based on potential health effects of radio frequency exposure. Mr. Mais reported that the FCC regulates radio frequency emissions and due to Federal Law the Planning Commission cannot consider potential health effects resulting from radio frequency emissions when making a decision.

Kristin Galardo, applicant representative, stated that their objective was to provide coverage to the general vicinity of Palo Verde and Spring Street and that she felt the project met their coverage objective.

Ms. Galardo also stated that Trilium had been in contact with the school district and the issue had been resolved. She further stated that the school district was informed that the project would provide additional 911 coverage to the area.

In response to a query from Commissioner Gentile about the height of the pole, Ms. Galardo stated that initially the pole was designed to

be shorter and wider, but was now slimmer and taller and could provide co-location opportunities.

Commissioner Saumur made a motion to approve the Conditional Use Permit and Commissioner Durnin seconded the motion which passed 3-1 with Commissioner Gentile dissenting. Commissioner Greenberg was absent.

MATTERS FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION

There were no matters from the Planning Commission.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Eidson
Minutes Clerk

C I T Y P L A N N I N G C O M M I S S I O N M I N U T E S**A P R I L 1 7, 2 0 0 8**

The regular meeting of the City Planning Commission and public hearing convened on April 17, 2008, at 5:02pm in the City Council Chambers, 333 W. Ocean Boulevard, Long Beach, CA.

PRESENT: COMMISSIONERS: Leslie Gentile, Phil Saumur, Charles Durnin, Melani Smith

ABSENT: EXCUSED: Charles Greenberg

CHAIRMAN: Leslie Gentile

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: Craig Beck, Director
Greg Carpenter, Planning Manager
Carolyne Bihn, Zoning Officer
Jill Griffiths, Planner
Lynette Ferenczy, Planner

OTHERS PRESENT: Mike Mais, Deputy City Attorney
Jan Ostashay, Historic Preservation Officer
Marcia Gold, Minutes Clerk

P L E D G E O F A L L E G I A N C E

The pledge of allegiance was led by Commissioner Saumur.

M I N U T E S

The minutes of February 21, 2008 were approved on a motion by Commission Saumur, seconded by Commissioner Durnin and passed 3-0-1. Commissioner Smith abstained and Commissioner Greenberg was absent.

The minutes of March 6, 2008 were approved on a motion by Commissioner Saumur, seconded by Commissioner Smith and passed 4-0. Commissioner Greenberg was absent.

D I R E C T O R S R E P O R T

Craig Beck announced the appointment of two new Commissioners, who will be starting in May: Becky Blair and Donita Van Horik.

Mr. Beck also announced that Commission meetings will be videotaped and archived for uploading from the City website, and will eventually be broadcast live.

S W E A R I N G O F W I T N E S S E S

R E G U L A R A G E N D A

1. Case No. 41708-1

Applicant: Douglas Boynton, F&M Bank of Long Beach
Subject Site: Alley east of Freeman Avenue
 and north of 11th Street (Council District 4)
Description: Finding of Conformity with the General Plan
 for an alley vacation.

Chairman Gentile recused herself from voting on the item due to her involvement in the project.

Jill Griffiths presented the staff report recommending approval of the request.

Greg Carpenter noted that City Council would be making the final decision on the alley vacation taking into account the Commission's decision related to General Plan Conformity.

Commissioner Smith moved to approve the finding of conformity with the adopted General Plan for an alley vacation at the alley east of Freeman Avenue and north of 11th Street. Commissioner Durnin seconded the motion, which passed 3-0. Chairman Gentile had recused herself from voting, and Commissioner Greenberg was absent.

2. Case No. 0708-17

Applicant: Capital Foresight
 c/o Hunsaker & Associates Irvine, Inc.
Subject Site: 630 Magnolia Avenue (Council District 1)
Description: Conversion of 62 apartment units into
 condominiums.

Lynette Ferenczy presented the staff report recommending approval of the request subject to conditions requiring property improvements.

Martin Parker, Capital Foresight, Three Hughes, Irvine, CA, applicant, agreed to all of the Conditions of Approval.

In response to a query from Commissioner Saumur regarding relocation benefits, Carolyne Bihn observed that it would be several years before any changes would be made, so existing tenants would likely not be affected by the conversion for several years.

Bill Lindborg, 401 Pine Avenue, project developer, promised that once the project was underway, noticing would be multi-lingual, and current tenants would have rights of first refusal for the new units. Mr. Lindborg added that community meetings explaining the project had already been held, and the developer would ensure that all options available to tenants would be offered.

Commissioner Saumur moved to approve Vesting Tentative Tract Map No. 67551, subject to conditions, for the conversion of 62 apartment units into condominiums at 630 Magnolia Avenue. Chairman Gentile seconded the motion, which passed 4-0. Commissioner Greenberg was absent.

R E P O R T O N O T H E R D E P A R T M E N T M A T T E R S

Jan Ostashay, Historic Preservation Officer, invited the Commissioners to the first community meeting discussing the Historic Preservation Element of the General Plan.

M A T T E R S F R O M P L A N N I N G C O M M I S S I O N M E M B E R S

There were no matters from the Planning Commission.

A D J O U R N M E N T

The meeting adjourned at 5:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcia Gold
Minutes Clerk

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF WATER COMMISSIONERS
LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA
MAY 15, 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 May 1, 2008.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Townsend.

PRESENT:	William B. Townsend	Commissioner
	John Allen	Commissioner
	Paul Blanco	Commissioner
	Frank Clarke	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: Steve Conley Commissioner (EXCUSED)

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Kevin Wattier led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

May 1, 2008

Upon motion by Commissioner Allen, seconded by Commissioner Blanco and unanimously carried, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 1, 2008 were approved.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

President Townsend opened the public comment period. As there were no requests to address the Board, the public comment period was closed.

4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- **William B. Townsend, President, Board of Water Commissioners**

None.

5. REVIEW BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE FOR JUNE 2008

- **William B. Townsend, President, Board of Water Commissioners**

The Board discussed the proposed meeting schedule for the month of June 2008. The Board agreed to the following adjusted meeting schedule:

June 12, 2008	Regular Meeting – 9:15 A.M.
June 26, 2008	Regular Meeting – 7:00 P.M.

6. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Kevin L. Wattier, General Manager

GROUNDWATER STORAGE FRAMEWORK UPDATE

Mr. Wattier reported that the Central Basin Water Association had voted 8 – 1 on May 12, 2008 approving the Groundwater Storage Framework.

He advised the West Basin Pumper's Association, and the Water Replenishment District would also soon be voting on the Framework.

He reported the next step in the process was finalization of the Judgment Papers to be submitted to the judge for review and approval.

EAST BAY MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT (MUD) WATER RATIONING DECLARATION

Mr. Wattier reported that East Bay MUD took action on establishing mandatory water prohibitions and a rationing plan. He advised they would be considering pricing options in June 2008.

There was discussion regarding potential action to be taken by various agencies/utilities in the Northern California region regarding water reliability.

MAY 13, 2008 CITY COUNCIL WATER SUPPLY UPDATE REPORT
PRESENTATION

Mr. Wattier advised he had made a Water Supply Update Report to the City Council on May 13, 2008. He reported that Vice President Allen and Commissioner Clarke were also in attendance.

7. LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT

- **Charles Parkin, Principal Deputy City Attorney**

None.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR

It was moved by Commissioner Allen, and seconded by Commissioner Blanco to approve Consent Calendar items 8a. through 8d. These Consent Calendar items were unanimously approved.

8a. Approval of Transfer of Funds by Journal Entry Dated May 15, 2008

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

8b. Approve inventory adjustments in the amounts of \$2,461.79 for the Water Fund and \$1,451.46 for the Sewer Fund for the 1st and 2nd Quarters of FY 2007-2008 (October 1, 2007 to March 31, 2008)

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

8c. Adopt Specification WD-18-07 and Authorize the General Manager to execute an Agreement with General Chemical Performance Products LLC. to furnish and deliver Polymer Blend in an amount not to exceed \$465,000 for a period of one year, and to exercise the options to renew for two additional one-year periods

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

8d. Adopt Specifications WD-20-07 for the Alamitos and J. Will Johnson Reservoirs Cathodic Protection Project, and Authorize the General Manager to Sign a Construction Contract with CORRPRO Companies, Inc., in the amount of \$439,999

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

9. LEGISLATIVE ISSUES/ACTIONS/BILLS

• Ryan J. Alsop, Director, Government and Public Affairs

Mr. Alsop provided a review of the recent theft of manhole covers, and steps being taken to alleviate this problem.

Mr. Alsop reported on the recent visit from a Moroccan delegation that toured the Desal Prototype Facility.

Mr. Alsop reviewed AB 885 – (Calderon). He advised this legislation would permit Metropolitan Water District Agencies to appoint alternate Directors to the MWD Board to serve in place during a Director's absence.

Mr. Alsop also reviewed AB 2175 – (Laird). He reported that Senator Lowenthal and Assemblymember Furatani were now co-sponsors of this bill. He advised this legislation would call for a 20% per-capita reduction in water use by 2020. He reviewed the basic concepts of the bill and the arguments in support of the legislation.

Mr. Alsop reported that Representative Laura Richardson is a member of the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Science and Technology Subcommittee on Energy and Environment and that they had just held a hearing on "Water Supply Challenges for the 21st Century". He advised that during that hearing she had called for a field hearing to be held at the Long Beach Desal Prototype Plant.

Mr. Alsop reminded the Board that the Metropolitan Water District Solar Cup races would be taking place this upcoming weekend (May 16, 17 & 18th) at Lake Skinner.

Mr. Alsop reminded the Board of the upcoming Long Beach Chamber of Commerce National Leaders Lunch on June 13, 2008 featuring Secretary of the Interior, Dirk Kempthorne, and their role as the keynote sponsor for this event.

10. REPORT OF THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT (MWD) BOARD MEETING ON MAY 13, 2008

- **Kevin L. Wattier, General Manager**

Mr. Wattier advised that Councilwoman Suja Lowenthal had been installed at the Metropolitan Board meeting of May 13, 2008, as the City of Long Beach representative on the MWD Board. He advised her husband, U.S. Superior Court Judge Dan Lowenthal had administered the oath of office as she joined the 37-member Metropolitan board.

Mr. Wattier reported that Director Lowenthal had questioned three MWD Annexations (San Diego County Water Authority; Calleguas Municipal Water District and Eastern Municipal Water District) on the May 13, 2008 MWD board agenda. She commented on the fact that the MWD Administrative Code required several water use efficiency reports, and that annexing parties be in full compliance with Best Management Practices, and noted these reports were not included in the packets for the requesting parties. He reported that she did not receive a satisfactory answer to her inquiries.

Mr. Wattier reported that a LBWD staff review of MWD annexations shows a lack of compliance with the MWD Administrative Code.

11. REVIEW OF PROPOSED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP) BUDGET

Mr. Pai provided a review of the proposed Capital Improvement Program Budget. He noted the importance of maintaining, repairing or replacing infrastructure for water and sewer projects to avoid future failures that would impact quality of life; health and safety and fiscal liability issues.

Mr. Pai reported that staff would assess and prioritize CIP project needs; identify financing alternatives and needed funding amounts, and use of issuance of bonds or funding alternatives to maintain the reliability of the water and sewer infrastructure.

12. NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Blanco introduced his guest, Reverend Doctor Soratti of the Philippines.

Commissioner Allen inquired about the status of the "WAVE" publication. Mr. Alsop reported that the publication had not recently been produced by the City due to funding and staffing issues, but reported it is anticipated that this newsletter would resume publication in the near future.

Commissioner Clarke commented on the recent reports of safety concerns of water stored in plastic bottles, and inquired about the quality and safety of the emergency water supplies at local schools. After discussion, it was determined that LBWD staff would continue to contact the Long Beach Unified School District to exchange supplies on a regular basis.

13. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Townsend adjourned the meeting at 8:16 p.m. to the next regular meeting of the Water Commission to be held June 12, 2008, in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 1800 E. Wardlow, in Long Beach, California



Paul C. Blanco, Secretary

Attest:



John D. S. Allen , Vice President