

**CITY OF LONG BEACH
WATER COMMISSION
MINUTES**

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

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Robert Shannon, President
Gloria Cordero, Vice President



Naomi Rainey, Secretary
Frank Martinez, Commissioner

Christopher J. Garner, General Manager

Richard Anthony, Deputy City Attorney

REGULAR MEETING

FINISHED AGENDA AND DRAFT MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

President Shannon called the meeting to order at 9:02am.

FLAG SALUTE

Robert Verceles led the Board and audience in 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

There were no comments from the public.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Shannon scheduled the General Manager's evaluation for January 6, 2022.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Chris Garner presented the General Manager's report. Anatole Falagan presented an update on his legislators meeting.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. 21-224WA Recommendation to review January 2022 Board meeting calendar.

With the addition of the January 6, 2022 Closed Session, the Board reviewed and confirmed the January 2022 Board meeting calendar.

2. 21-225WA Recommendation to approve November 18, 2021 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

3. 21-226WA Recommendation to adopt Resolution No. WD-1450 making findings pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)(3) to authorize the continuation of the teleconference meeting provisions of Government Code Section 54953(e)(1)-(2).

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

4. 21-227WA Recommendation to review invitation for a Board sponsorship of the City of Long Beach State of the City Address to be held on January 11, 2022.

A motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Vice President Cordero, to approve sponsorship amount of \$15,000.

A substitute motion was made by Secretary Rainey, seconded by President Shannon to lay the item over to January 6, 2022. This motion was withdrawn.

President Shannon amended the original motion, seconded by Vice President Cordero, to approve sponsorship amount of \$15,000 and that the General Manager returns on January 6, 2022 to provide a list of contributors with sponsorship amounts. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

5. 21-228WA Recommendation to receive verbal presentation - 2021 Grant Update.

Bureau: Business

This WA-Agenda Item was received and filed.

6. 21-229WA Recommendation to authorize the General Manager to execute second, one-year renewal options for two separate contracts for on-call grant funding application and management services with (1) Engineering Solutions Services and (2) Villa Civil, each in the amount of \$100,000 for one year.

Bureau: Business

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

7. 21-230WA Recommendation to receive verbal presentation - State Advocacy Annual Update.

Bureau: Business

This WA-Agenda Item was received and filed.

8. 21-231WA Recommendation to authorize the Parkway Program as an ongoing program in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 per year.

Bureau: Business

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

9. 21-232WA Recommendation to adopt Resolution WD-1451 authorizing the General Manager to participate in the NASPO Value Point cooperative purchasing program (Contract MA152 - Category 1) with Verizon Wireless to provide cell phone and data services, and to authorize the General Manager to execute an agreement with Verizon Wireless in an amount not to exceed \$250,000 per year.

Bureau: Business

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. 21-233WA Recommendation to authorize the General Manager to execute an Agreement with DRP Engineering, Inc. to provide engineering design services for the Alley Water Main Conversion - Pacific Avenue Project (MC-5198), in an amount not to exceed \$280,068.

Bureau: Engineering

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

11. 21-234WA Recommendation to authorize the General Manager to execute an Agreement with Diversified Project Services International (DPSI), Inc. to provide engineering and inspection services for the Long Beach Water Department's 2022 Water Main Bridge Crossings Master Plan Project (MO-3820), in an amount not to exceed \$578,089.

Bureau: Engineering

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.

NEW BUSINESS

President Shannon cancelled the December 23, 2021 Board meeting.

Vice President Cordero presented a video on the Navajo Water Project.

CLOSED SESSION

12. 21-235WA 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.

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

The Board recessed to Closed Session at 10:54am.
The Board reconvened at 11:30am.

ADJOURNMENT

President Shannon adjourned the meeting at 11:31am.

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