

The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

Agenda

The mission of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California is to provide its service area with adequate and reliable supplies of high-quality water to meet present and future needs in an environmentally and economically responsible way.

Board of Directors

November 8, 2022

12:00 PM

**Tuesday, November 8, 2022
Meeting Schedule**

**08:30 a.m. L&C
09:30 a.m. OP&T
10:30 a.m. A&E
12:00 p.m. Board**

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MWD Headquarters Building - 700 N. Alameda Street - Los Angeles, CA 90012

1. Call to Order

- a. Invocation: Jaime C. Paz, Associate Environmental Specialist Water System Operations Group
- b. Pledge of Allegiance: Director John T. Morris, City of San Marino

2. Roll Call

3. Determination of a Quorum

4. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Board on matters within the Board's jurisdiction. (As required by Gov. Code § 54954.3(a))

- a. Member Agency Overview: Craig J. Parker, P.E., BCEE, Acting Assistant General Manager, Water Services Anaheim Public Utilities **21-1643**

5. OTHER MATTERS AND REPORTS

- A. Report on Directors' Events Attended at Metropolitan's Expense **[21-1620](#)**

Attachments: [11072022 BOD 5A Report](#)

- B. Chairwoman's Monthly Activity Report 21-1679
 - C. General Manager's summary of activities 21-1621
 - D. General Counsel's summary of activities 21-1622
 - E. Interim General Auditor's summary of activities [21-1623](#)
- Attachments:** [11072022 BOD 5E Report](#)
- F. Ethics Officer's summary of activities 21-1624
 - G. Report from Executive Committee on nominations for Board Secretary [21-1627](#)

**** CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS -- ACTION ****

6. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Board of the Directors Meeting for October 11, 2022 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, Any additions, corrections, or omissions) 21-1628
- B. Nomination and Election for Board Secretary for two-year term effective January 1, 2023 [21-1626](#)
- C. Approve Committee Assignments [21-1680](#)

7. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

- 7-1 Approve proposed amendments to the Administrative Code sections 2416 and 2131 relating to Equal Employment Opportunity policies and investigative procedures involving the Board of Directors and its Direct Reports; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (AE) 21-1616
- 7-2 Ratify an emergency contract with PCL Construction, Inc., in the amount of \$855,623.78, for replacement of the expansion joint on the Upper Feeder pipeline at the Santa Ana River bridge crossing; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [Requires four-fifths vote of the Board] (EO) [21-1629](#)

Attachments: [11082022 EO 7-2 B-L](#)

- 7-3** Award a \$1,228,607.10 contract to Howard Ridley Company, Inc. for the rehabilitation of the concrete liner at ten locations within the Rainbow Tunnel segment of San Diego Pipeline No. 1; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EO) [21-1630](#)

Attachments: [11082022 EO 7-3 B-L](#)

- 7-4** Authorize on-call agreements with GEI Consultants, Inc., HDR, Inc., and Stantec Consulting Services Inc. in amounts not to exceed \$2.5 million each, for a maximum of five years, to support Metropolitan's Dam Safety Initiatives Program; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EO) [21-1632](#)

Attachments: [11082022 EO 7-4 B-L](#)

- 7-5** Adopt CEQA determination that the environmental effects of the East County Advanced Water Purification Local Resources project that is the subject of the proposed action was previously addressed in Padre Dam Municipal Water District's Mitigated Negative Declaration and related CEQA actions and that no further CEQA review is required, and authorize the General Manager to amend the existing Local Resources Program agreement with San Diego County Water Authority and East County Advanced Water Purification Joint Powers Authority for the East County Advanced Water Purification Project (OWC) [21-1685](#)

Attachments: [10252022 OWC 7-5 Board Letter](#)

- 7-6** Award an \$820,852.53 procurement contract to Whipps, Inc. for three slide gates to rehabilitate the San Jacinto Diversion Structure; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EO) [21-1693](#)

Attachments: [11082022 EO 7-6 B-L](#)

- 7-7** Report on litigation in San Diego County Water Authority v. Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, et al., San Francisco County Superior Court Case Nos. CPF-10-510830, CPF-12-512466, CPF-14-514004, CPF-16-515282, CPF-16-515391, CGC-17-563350, and CPF-18-516389; the appeals of the 2010 and 2012 actions, Court of Appeal for the First Appellate District Case Nos. A146901, A148266, A161144, and A162168, and California Supreme Court Case No. S243500; the petition for extraordinary writ in the 2010 and 2012 actions, Court of Appeal for the First Appellate District Case No. A155310; the petition for extraordinary writ in the second 2016 action, Court of Appeal for the First Appellate District Case No. A154325 and California Supreme Court Case No. S251025; and the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California v. San Diego County Water Authority cross-complaints in the 2014, 2016, and 2018 actions; authorize increase in maximum amount payable under contract for legal services with Horvitz & Levy, LLP in the amount of \$350,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$1,250,000; and authorize increase in maximum amount payable under contract for consulting services with Cogent Legal, LLC in the amount of \$100,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$150,000; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA. [Conference with legal counsel - existing litigation; to be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)] (LC) [21-1636](#)

**** END OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS ****

8. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION

NONE

9. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

- 9-1** Report on Conservation [21-1637](#)
- 9-2** Legislative Priorities and Principles for 2023 (CL) [21-1638](#)

10. OTHER MATTERS

- 10-1** Department Head Performance Evaluations [Public Employees' performance evaluations; General Manager, General Counsel, and Ethics Officer; to be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code 54957.] [21-1640](#)
- 10-2** Report on Department Head 2022 Salary Survey [21-1641](#)

10-3 Discuss and Approve Compensation Recommendations for [21-1642](#)
General Manager, General Counsel, and Ethics Officer

10-4 AB 1234 Ethics Biennial Training [21-1625](#)

11. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

13. ADJOURNMENT

NOTE:

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