

**CITY OF LONG BEACH
WATER COMMISSION
MINUTES**

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2021
LONG BEACH WATER DEPARTMENT
1800 EAST WARDLOW ROAD
BOARD ROOM, 9:00 AM**

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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

SPECIAL MEETING

FINISHED AGENDA AND DRAFT MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

President Martinez called the meeting to order at 9:02 AM.

FLAG SALUTE

Jinny Huang-Uy led the Board and audience in the flag salute.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Gloria Cordero, Robert Shannon, Art Levine and Frank Martinez

Present:

Commissioners Naomi Rainey

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no comments from the public.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Martinez acknowledged Sandy Fox's retirement as Executive Assistant to the Board of Water Commissioners.

President Martinez called for a short recess at 9:24 AM.

President Martinez reconvened the Board meeting at 9:38 AM.

President Martinez presented the President's report.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Chris Garner presented the General Manager's report.

SEPTEMBER 23, 2021 FINANCE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

Finance Standing Committee Report will be presented at the September 30, 2021 Board meeting.

REGULAR AGENDA

- 1 21-168WA Review October 2021 Board meeting calendar.

Due to scheduling conflicts, the October 28th Board meeting was moved to October 21, 2021.

- 2 21-169WA Recommendation to approve the June 24, 2021 and September 2, 2021 Board meeting minutes.

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

Yes: 4 - Gloria Cordero, Robert Shannon, Art Levine and Frank Martinez

Absent: 1 - Naomi Rainey

- 3 21-170WA Recommendation to approve Retirement Order No. 6167 for items that have become obsolete or unrepairable during the current year. These items may or may not be sold to auction.

Bureau: Business

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, Robert Shannon, Art Levine and Frank Martinez

Absent: 1 - Naomi Rainey

- 4 21-171WA Recommendation to approve Retirement Order No. 6168 for items that have become obsolete or unrepairable during the current year. These items will not be sold to auction.

Bureau: Business

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

Yes: 4 - Gloria Cordero, Robert Shannon, Art Levine and Frank Martinez

Absent: 1 - Naomi Rainey

- 5 21-172WA Recommendation to authorize the General Manager to enter into an Agreement with the Siemon Company to grant the Long Beach Water Department rights to design, install, and/or maintain the Siemon Cabling System.

Bureau: Business

Ken Bott presented the report.

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

Yes: 4 - Gloria Cordero, Robert Shannon, Art Levine and Frank Martinez

Absent: 1 - Naomi Rainey

- 6 21-173WA Recommendation to adopt Specifications WD-22-21 for the Sewer Lateral Pilot Project (SC-0387) and authorize the General Manager to sign a construction contract with CEM Construction Corporation in the amount of \$550,225.

Bureau: Engineering

Jinny Huang-Uy 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, Robert Shannon, Art Levine and Frank Martinez

Absent: 1 - Naomi Rainey

- 7 21-174WA Recommendation to authorize the General Manager to amend an existing agreement with JCI Jones Chemicals Inc., to furnish and deliver liquid chlorine, increasing the contract amount by \$50,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$325,000 for the remaining contract year.

Bureau: Operations

Tai Tseng presented the report.

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

Yes: 4 - Gloria Cordero, Robert Shannon, Art Levine and Frank Martinez

Absent: 1 - Naomi Rainey

- 8 21-175WA Recommendation to authorize the General Manager to execute a second renewal option with The National Theatre for Children, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$90,000, for Long Beach Utility Services Environmental Education program services for one year.

Bureau: Business

Morgan Venter 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, Robert Shannon, Art Levine and Frank Martinez

Absent: 1 - Naomi Rainey

- 9 21-176WA Recommendation to receive report of the September 14, 2021 Metropolitan Water District Board Meeting.

Commissioner Cordero presented the report.

CONSIDER STANDING COMMITTEE REFERRALS

There were no Standing Committee referrals.

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by President Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Cordero, to approve the absence of Commissioner Rainey from the September 23, 2021 Board meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

President Martinez adjourned the meeting at 10:34 AM.

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REGULAR MEETING - 9:00 A.M.

FINISHED AGENDA AND DRAFT 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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