

THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

MINUTES

COMMUNICATIONS AND LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

February 12, 2013

Chair Ackerman called the meeting to order at 10:31 a.m. in Committee Room 2-456 at Metropolitan's Headquarters.

Members present: Chair Ackerman, Vice Chair Peterson, Directors Abdo, Barbre, Camacho, Griset, Friedman, Morris, Mudd, K. Murray, and Record.

Members absent: Directors Ballin, Fleming, Gray, Lewinger, and Lowenthal.

Other Board Members present: Directors Babcock, Brown, Dick, Edwards, Evans, Little, J. Murray, Steiner, Touhey, and Wilson.

Staff present: Acuña, Ardalan, Bennion, Breaux, J. Carrillo, L. Carrillo, Clairday, Cole, Green, Hasencamp, Hiltcher (via videoconference), Kightlinger, Man, Martinez, Patterson, Philp, N. Purkiss, Rego, Scully, Stites, Upadhyay, Waade, Westford, Wolfe, E. Wong, and Zinke.

1. OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COMMITTEE ON MATTERS WITHIN THE COMMITTEE'S JURISDICTION

None

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE COMMUNICATIONS AND LEGISLATION COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 8, 2013

Motion Carried Moved: Director Camacho Seconded: Director K. Murray

Votes: Unanimous

3. COMMITTEE CHAIR'S REPORT

None

4. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS – ACTION

None

5. OTHER BOARD ITEMS – ACTION

None

6. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

None

7. COMMITTEE ITEMS

- a. Subject: Report on activities from Washington, D.C.
Presented by: Brad Hiltcher, Executive Legislative Representative

Mr. Hiltcher reported on a number of federal matters which included:

- House and Senate committee assignments
- House and Senate energy policy discussions
- Senate hearing on the Army Corps of Engineers
- FY 2014 budget and debt ceiling/sequestration negotiations
- Cabinet resignations and nominations

- b. Subject: Report on activities from Sacramento
Presented by: Kathy Cole, Executive Legislative Representative

Ms. Cole reported on a number of state matters which included:

- Cap-and-trade auction revenues
- Transfer of Department of Public Health, Office of Drinking Water
- AB 72 (Holden), sponsored by Three Valleys Municipal Water District

- c. Subject: Water Bond Update
Presented by: Kathy Cole, Executive Legislative Representative

Ms. Cole provided an update on the 2014 water bond which included:

- Legislative background
- Components of 2014 water bond
- New bill introductions

- Recommended water bond priorities
- Schedule for board action

8. MANAGEMENT REPORT

a. Subject: External Affairs Management report

Presented by: Dee Zinke, Group Manager, External Affairs

Ms. Dee Zinke reported on the following items:

- Media and community outreach related to the Metropolitan's Upper Feeder Shutdown.
- Updated Metropolitan fact sheets: Metropolitan At-a-Glance, Picturing Reliability, Ozonation...at-a-glance.

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

Next meeting will be held on March 12, 2013.

Meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

Linda Ackerman
Chair