THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

MINUTES

ADJOURNED ENGINEERING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

August 17, 2015

Chair Peterson called the meeting to order at 12 p.m. in Committee Room 2-456 at Metropolitan's Headquarters.

Members present: Chair Peterson, Vice Chair Blois, Directors Barbre, Dake, Beard, Galleano, Lefevre, Morris, and Steiner.

Members absent: Directors Camacho, De Jesus, Faessel, and Lowenthal.

Other Board members present: Board Chairman Record, Directors Ackerman, Atwater, Ballin, Dear, Gray, Hogan, Kurtz, Lewinger, and McKenney.

Staff present: Arita, Beatty, Becerra, Bednarski, G. Boyd, G. Breaux, L. Carrillo, Chaudhuri, Clairday, Coffey, H. Collins, A. Garabetian, L. Garcia, Ghaly, J. Green, Hasencamp, Hattar, Jankovic, G. Johnson, Kightlinger, Koch, Krysa, Lambeck, T. Lee, A. Lopez, M. Lopez, Man, T. Miller, Mouawad, Nobriga, Parsons, Pitman, N. Purkiss, Radhakrishnan, Riss, M. Rojas, J. Ruffner, Schaffer, Scully, Shraibati, Sims, Spicer, Spradling, Stewart, Stites, Tellers, Tucker, Upadhyay, W. Thilo, and J. Wallace.

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

No members responded.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE ENGINEERING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD JULY 13, 2015.

Motion:	Carried		
Moved:	Director Morris	Seconded:	Director Steiner
Ayes:	Directors Barbre, Beard, Blois, Steiner	Dake, Gallear	no, Lefevre, Morris, Peterson, and
Noes:	None		
Abstentions:	None		
Absent:	Directors Camacho, De Jesus, I	Faessel and Lo	owenthal

The motion passed by a vote of 9 ayes, 0 no, 0 abstain, and 4 absent.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS – ACTION

7-1	Subject:	Appropriate \$480,000; and award \$345,305 contract to F. M. Thomas Air Conditioning, Inc. to replace the Administration Building HVAC system at the Robert A. Skinner Water Treatment Plant (Approp. 15485)		
	Presented by:	None		
	Motion:	 Adopt the CEQA determination that the proposed action was previously determined to be categorically exempt and that no further environmental analysis or documentation is required, and a. Appropriate \$480,000; and b. Award \$345,305 contract to F. M. Thomas Air Conditioning, Inc. to replace the Skinner Administration Building's HVAC system. 		
Moved:	Director Mor	ris Seconded: Director Dake		
Ayes:	Directors Bar Steiner	Directors Barbre, Beard, Blois, Dake, Galleano, Lefevre, Morris, Peterson, and Steiner		
Noes:	None	None		
Abstention	s: None			
Absent:	Directors Car	Directors Camacho, De Jesus, Faessel and Lowenthal		

The motion passed by a vote of 9 ayes, 0 no, 0 abstain, and 4 absent.

7-2	Subject:	Appropriate \$1.24 million; and award \$930,483 contract to Coleman Construction, Inc. to upgrade the network rooms at Metropolitan's Headquarters Building (Approp. 15487)
	Presented by:	None
	Motion:	 Adopt the CEQA determination that the proposed action is categorically exempt from CEQA, and a. Appropriate \$1.24 million; and b. Award \$930,483 contract to Coleman Construction, Inc. for upgrades to the network rooms at Metropolitan's Headquarters Building at Union Station.
Moved:	Director Mor	ris Seconded: Director Dake
Ayes:	Directors Bar	rbre, Beard, Blois, Dake, Galleano, Lefevre, Morris, Peterson, and Steiner
Noes:	None	

Abstentions: None

Absent: Directors Camacho, De Jesus, Faessel and Lowenthal

The motion passed by a vote of 9 ayes, 0 no, 0 abstain, and 4 absent.

4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS – ACTION

8-1	Subject:	Appropriate \$17.7 million; and (1) award \$10,267,000 contract to Kiewit Infrastructure West Co. for chemical feed upgrades at the F. E. Weymouth Water Treatment Plant; (2) award \$371,800 contract to O'Connell Engineering & Construction, Inc. for scrubber platform improvements; and (3) authorize agreement with Lee & Ro., Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$364,000 (Approps. 15392, 15472, & 15477)
	Presented by:	Engineering Services Group Engineer James Spicer
	Motion:	 Adopt the CEQA determination that the proposed action has been previously addressed in the certified EIR and that no further environmental analysis or documentation is required, and that the proposed action is categorically exempt, and a. Appropriate \$17.7 million; b. Award \$10,267,000 contract to Kiewit Infrastructure West Co. for chemical feed upgrades at the Weymouth plant; c. Award \$371,800 contract to O'Connell Engineering & Construction, Inc. for scrubber platform improvements; and d. Authorize agreement with Lee & Ro, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$364,000.

Moved:	Director Lefevre	Seconded:	Director Morris
Ayes:	Directors Barbre, Beard, Blois,	Dake, Gallear	no, Lefevre, Morris, Peterson, and Steiner
Noes:	None		
Abstentions:	None		
Absent:	Directors Camacho, De Jesus, I	Faessel and Lo	owenthal

The motion passed by a vote of 9 ayes, 0 no, 0 abstain, and 4 absent.

Committe	e Minutes	
8-2	Subject:	Appropriate \$4.9 million; and award \$2,998,000 contract to Kiewit Infrastructure West Co. for seismic retrofit of the Upper Feeder's Santa Ana River Bridge (Approp. 15441)
	Presented by:	Engineering Services Group Senior Engineer Aida Garabetian
	Motion:	Adopt the CEQA determination that the proposed action has been previously addressed in the adopted 2012 Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, and that no further environmental analysis or documentation is required, and a. Appropriate \$4.9 million; and b. Award \$2,998,000 contract to Kiewit Infrastructure West Co. for seismic retrofit of the Upper Feeder's Santa Ana River Bridge.
Moved:	Director Mo	rris Seconded: Director Beard
Ayes:	Directors Ba	rbre, Beard, Blois, Dake, Galleano, Lefevre, Morris, Peterson, and Steiner

Abstentions: None

None

Noes:

Engineering and Operations

Absent: Directors Camacho, De Jesus, Faessel and Lowenthal

The motion passed by a vote of 9 ayes, 0 no, 0 abstain, and 4 absent.

5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

None

6. COMMITTEE ITEMS

Chair Peterson announced that there would be a reordering of the committee items. Items 6b would be heard first, then 6c and then 6a.

b. Subject: Report on Salinity Management

Presented by: Water System Operations Group Senior Engineer Maria Lopez

Ms. Lopez provided an update on salinity management including historical salinity trends, source water protection efforts, and Metropolitan's salinity management policy.

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c.	Subject:	Oral report on WSO Management Academy		
	Presented by:	Water System Operations Group Program Manager Jeff Ruffner		
	Mr. Ruffner intr Operations grou	oduced a new succession plan initiative within the Water System p.		
a.	Subject:	Capital Investment Plan Quarterly report for period ending June 2015		
	Presented by:	Engineering Services Group Unit Manager Tobin Tellers		
	-	Mr. Tellers provided an update on Metropolitan's Capital Investment Plan for the quarter and fiscal year ending June 2015.		

7. MANAGEMENT REPORTS

a.	Subject:	Water System Operations Manager's report
	Presented by:	Water System Operations Group Manager Jim Green
	Mr. Green provid	ed an update on current operations.
b.	Subject:	Engineering Services Manager's report
	Presented by:	Engineering Services Group Manager Gordon Johnson
No presentation was given.		vas given.

8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

None

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Next meeting will be held on September 21, 2015.

Meeting adjourned at 1:01 p.m.

Glen Peterson Chair