THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

MINUTES

ENGINEERING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

March 7, 2016

Chair Peterson called the meeting to order at 12:50 p.m. in Committee Room 2-145 at Metropolitan's Headquarters.

Members present: Chair Peterson, Vice Chair Blois, Directors Barbre, Beard, Camacho, Dake, De Jesus, Dick, Faessel, Galleano (entered at 1:06 p.m.), Lefevre, Morris, and Steiner.

Members absent: Directors Barbre, Lowenthal, and Zurita.

Other Board members present: Board Chairman Record, Directors Ackerman, Dear, Hogan, Ramos, Touhey, Tu, and Wunderlich.

Staff present: Arita, Bachelder, Beatty, F. Becerra, Bednarski, Benito, G. Boyd, Carlson, L. Carrillo, Coffey, H. Collins, L. Garcia, J. Green, Hasencamp, Hattar, E. Jackson, G. Johnson, D. Jones, Kassabian, Kightlinger, Koch, Krysa, Lambeck, S. Mouawad, Ovalle, Pitman, M. Rojas, Schaffer, Schlotterbeck, Shraibati, Sims, Spradling, M. Stewart, Stites, Tonsick, H. Torres, West, Weston, Yamasaki, and Zinke.

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 FEBRUARY 8, 2016.

Motion: Carried

Moved: Director Morris Seconded: Director Camacho

Ayes: Directors Beard, Blois, Camacho, Dake, De Jesus, Dick, Faessel, Lefevre,

Morris, Peterson, and Steiner

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

Absent: Directors Barbre, Galleano, Lowenthal, and Zurita

The motion passed by a vote of 11 ayes, 0 no, 0 abstain, and 4 absent.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS – ACTION

7-1 Subject: Appropriate \$620,000; and authorize: (1) design to rehabilitate a

blow-off structure on the Orange County Feeder; and (2) increase of

\$200,000 to an existing agreement with Dudek, for a new

not-to-exceed total of \$485,000 (Approp. 15377)

Presented by: None

Motion: Certify that the Final EIR has been completed in compliance with

CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines; certify that the Board has reviewed and considered the information presented in the Final EIR; certify that the Final EIR reflects the Board's independent judgment and analysis; adopt the Findings of Fact and Mitigation Monitoring

and Reporting Program; and

a. Appropriate \$620,000;

b. Authorize final design to rehabilitate a blow-off structure on the Orange County Feeder; and

c. Authorize increase of \$200,000 to an agreement with Dudek, for a new not-to-exceed total of \$485,000.

Moved: Director Morris Seconded: Director Steiner

Ayes: Directors Beard, Blois, Camacho, Dake, De Jesus, Dick, Faessel, Lefevre,

Morris, Peterson, and Steiner

Noes: None Abstentions: None

Absent: Directors Barbre, Galleano, Lowenthal, and Zurita

The motion passed by a vote of 11 ayes, 0 no, 0 abstain, and 4 absent.

7-2 Subject: Appropriate \$840,000; and authorize preliminary investigations to

rehabilitate the auxiliary power systems at the Colorado River

Aqueduct pumping plants (Approp. 15384)

Presented by: None

Motion: Adopt the CEQA determination that the proposed action is

categorically exempt, and

a. Appropriate \$840,000; and

b. Authorize preliminary investigations to rehabilitate the auxiliary power systems at the Colorado River Aqueduct

pumping plants.

Moved: Director Morris Seconded: Director Steiner

Ayes: Directors Beard, Blois, Camacho, Dake, De Jesus, Dick, Faessel, Lefevre,

Morris, Peterson, and Steiner

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

Absent: Directors Barbre, Galleano, Lowenthal, and Zurita

The motion passed by a vote of 11 ayes, 0 no, 0 abstain, and 4 absent.

Directors Camacho and Dake withdrew from the meeting at 12:52 p.m.

Director Galleano entered the meeting at 1:06 p.m.

4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS – ACTION

8-3 Subject: Adopt resolution supporting Metropolitan's application for funding

from the State Water Resources Control Board's Water Recycling Funding Program, and for acceptance of potential funding; and authorize two agreements for Metropolitan's potential regional recycled water supply program: (1) agreement with MWH Americas, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$1.2 million for design of the demonstration-scale recycled water treatment plant; and (2) agreement with Black & Veatch Corporation, Inc. in an amount

not to exceed \$1.9 million to conduct feasibility studies of the recycled water delivery system (Approps. 11002 and 15493)

Presented by: Engineering Services Group Section Manager John Bednarski

Motion: Adopt the CEQA determination that the proposed actions are not

defined as a project and/or are statutorily and categorically exempt,

and

a. Adopt a resolution supporting Metropolitan's application to SWRCB's Water Recycling Funding Program, and authorize the General Manager to accept potential grant funding or low interest loans, and to enter into an agreement with SWRCB in a form approved by the

General Counsel:

b. Authorize agreement with MWH Americas, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$1.2 million for design of the demonstration-scale recycled water treatment plant; and

c. Authorize agreement with Black & Veatch Corporation, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$1.9 million to conduct initial feasibility studies of the recycled water delivery system.

Moved: Director Morris Seconded: Director De Jesus

Ayes: Directors Beard, Blois, De Jesus, Dick, Faessel, Galleano, Lefevre, Morris,

and Peterson

Noes: Director Steiner

Abstentions: None

Absent: Directors Barbre, Camacho, Dake, Lowenthal, and Zurita

The motion passed by a vote of 9 ayes, 1 no, 0 abstain, and 5 absent.

5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

None

6. COMMITTEE ITEMS

a. Subject: Oral report on security

[Conference with Metropolitan Security Manager Derrek Jones or designated agent on threats to public service or facilities; to be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section

54957(a)]

Presented by: Water System Operations Group Team Manager Derrek Jones

In closed session, Mr. Jones provided an update on security.

Director De Jesus withdrew from the meeting at 1:38 p.m.

7. MANAGEMENT REPORTS

a. Subject: Water System Operations Manager's report

Presented by: Water System Operations Group Manager Jim Green

Mr. Green provided an update on current operational conditions.

b. Subject: Engineering Services Manager's report

Presented by: Engineering Services Group Manager Gordon Johnson

Mr. Johnson provided an update on the Sepulveda Feeder Urgent Repairs and notified the committee of a new leak that had recently occurred on a prestressed concrete cylinder pipe (PCCP) segment of the Second Lower Feeder. Based on the critical role of the feeder in delivering treated water and the urgent nature of the repair, staff plans to move forward as quickly as possible with a specialized carbon fiber lining repair. Metropolitan's Administrative Code permits the General Manager to award an emergency contract under specified circumstances. In order to complete the repair by the beginning of April, the General Manager plans to award the emergency repair contract within several days and return to the Board in April to ratify that action.

8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

None

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

Next meeting will be held on April 11, 2016.

Meeting adjourned at 1:49 p.m.

Glen Peterson Chair