

THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

MINUTES

REAL PROPERTY AND ASSET MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

May 10, 2016

Real Property and Asset Management Committee Chair Camacho called the meeting to order at 10:55 a.m. in Committee Room 2-145 at Metropolitan's Headquarters.

Committee Members present: Chair Camacho, Vice Chair Dake, Directors Beard, Dear, Hogan, Peterson, Ramos, Touhey, and Wunderlich.

Member absent: Director Dick

Other Board Members present: Board Chairman Record, Directors Ackerman, Barbre, Blois, Gray, Faessel, Horton, Kurtz, Lefevre, Lewinger, McKenney, Morris, J. Murray, Paskett, Quinonez, and Tu.

Staff present: Arakawa, Beatty, Bradshaw, Breaux, L. Carrillo, S. Chapman, S. Dean, F. Diaz, P. Fowler, G. Franco, J. Green, Hasencamp, Hom, E. Jackson, G. Johnson, Kightlinger, N. Luna, Man, Mares, S. Martin, Norlen, Otake, Pitman, V. Ramirez, Sims, Scully, Shraibati, Stites, O. Tucker, D. Upadhayay, Vanderhorst, Vinsonhaler, West, P. Wiseman, E. Wong, A. Wright, and Zinke.

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

Leo Winternitz spoke on being in favor of Metropolitan acquiring the Delta Wetlands properties. He informed the committee that he felt this would be great potential for habitat benefits and flood protection to provide for water supply and water quality reliability.

Dawit Zeleke of The Nature Conservancy informed the committee he was also in favor of Metropolitan acquiring the Delta Wetlands properties.

Joan Buchanan, President of Restore the Delta, mentioned she was against the purchase of the Delta Wetlands properties as they would not be a valuable asset.

Brenna Norton, organizer of Food & Water Watch, informed the committee that she is against Metropolitan acquiring the Delta Wetlands properties since she felt that the purpose for the purchase of the islands has not been identified.

5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

- 9-3** Subject: Update on purchase of property from Delta Wetlands Properties in Contra Costa, San Joaquin, and Solano Counties.

Presented by: Steve Arakawa, Bay Delta Initiatives Manager

Mr. Arakawa reported to the committee the status of the due diligence process, property encumbrances, environmental assessment, levee investigations, operational structures, and other transactional matters.

6. COMMITTEE ITEMS

None

7. MANAGEMENT REPORT

None

8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

None

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Director Paskett requested to have regular updates on bringing in partners to the Delta Wetlands Properties.

Meeting adjourned at 12:11 p.m.

Michael Camacho
Chair