THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

MINUTES

ENGINEERING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

September 11, 2017

Chair Peterson called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m. in Committee Room 2-145 at Metropolitan's Headquarters.

Members present: Chair Peterson, Vice Chair Blois, Directors Beard, Camacho, Dake, De Jesus, Dick, Faessel, Galleano, Lefevre, Morris, Steiner, and Treviño (entered at 12:34 p.m.).

Members absent: Directors Barbre, Gedney, and Zurita.

Other Board members present: Board Chairman Record, Directors Ackerman, Dear, Hogan, Kurtz, Lewinger, McKenney, Ramos, Saxod, and Wunderlich.

Staff present: Arita, J. Alvarado, F. Becerra, Benito, G. Boyd, Breaux, Carrillo, Chaudhuri, Coffey, D. Cole, H. Collins, Eckstrom, J. Green, Guillory, Hattar, Hess, G. Johnson, Kightlinger, Kostelecky, Koch, Krysa, Kuo Brinton, Lambeck, Mares, Mouawad, J. Nguyen, Nobriga, Okano, M. Parsons, Pitman, Riss, M. Rojas, Roman, Schaeffer, Shraibati, Sims, Spradling, M. Stewart, Stites, Tellers, Tseng, Tubbs, O. Tucker, Vandenberg, T. White, and Yamasaki.

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 AUGUST 14, 2017.

Motion:	Carried		
Moved:	Director Faessel	Seconded:	Director Morris
Ayes:	Directors Beard, Blois, Camacho, Dake, De Jesus, Dick, Faessel, Galleano, Lefevre, Morris, Peterson, and Steiner		
Noes:	None		
Abstentions:	None		
Absent:	Directors Barbre, Gedney, Treviño, and Zurita		

The motion passed by a vote of 12 ayes, 0 no, 0 abstain, and 4 absent.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS – ACTION

7-1 Subject: Adopt CEQA determination and appropriate $1.9 million; award $748,353.67 procurement contract to Allen Instruments & Supplies; and authorize upgrades to the geodetic deformation monitoring system at Diamond Valley Lake (Appropriation No. 15419)

Presented by: None

Motion: Adopt the CEQA determination that the proposed action has been previously addressed in the 2016 Notice of Exemption and that no further environmental analysis or documentation is required, and

a. Appropriate $1.9 million;
b. Award $748,353.67 procurement contract to Allen Instruments & Supplies to provide deformation monitoring equipment; and
a. Authorize upgrades to the geodetic deformation monitoring system at Diamond Valley Lake.

Motion: Carried

Moved: Director Steiner Seconded: Director Morris

Ayes: Directors Beard, Blois, Camacho, Dake, De Jesus, Dick, Faessel, Galleano, Lefevre, Morris, Peterson, and Steiner

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

Absent: Directors Barbre, Gedney, Treviño, and Zurita

The motion passed by a vote of 12 ayes, 0 no, 0 abstain, and 4 absent.

7-2 Subject: Adopt CEQA determination and appropriate $1.81 million; award $556,944 procurement contract to Southwest Valve & Equipment to provide plug valves for the Orange County Feeder; and authorize design and construction to replace valves at the Fairplex and Walnut Pressure Control Structures (Appropriations Nos. 15377 and 15480)

Presented by: None.

Motion: Adopt the CEQA determination that for Project No.1, the proposed action has been previously addressed in the adopted 2014 Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, and that no further environmental analysis or documentation is required; and that for Project No. 2, the proposed action is categorically exempt; and

a. Appropriate $1.81 million;
b. Award $556,944 procurement contract to Southwest Valve & Equipment to provide plug valves for the Orange County Feeder; and
c. Authorize design and construction to replace valves at the Fairplex and Walnut Pressure Control Structures.

Motion:	Carried		
Moved:	Director Steiner	Seconded:	Director Morris
Ayes:	Directors Beard, Blois, Camacho, Dake, De Jesus, Dick, Faessel, Galleano, Lefevre, Morris, Peterson, and Steiner		
Noes:	None		
Abstentions:	None		
Absent:	Directors Barbre, Gedney, Treviño, and Zurita		

The motion passed by a vote of 12 ayes, 0 no, 0 abstain, and 4 absent.

Director Treviño entered the meeting at 12:34 p.m.

4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS – ACTION

8-2 Subject: Adopt CEQA determination and appropriate $7.12 million; and award $5,961,003 procurement contract to Flowserve Corporation for valve actuators for the Robert B. Diemer Water Treatment Plant (Appropriation No. 15436)

Presented by: Engineering Services Group Senior Engineer Jorge Alvarado

Motion: Adopt the CEQA determination that the proposed action is categorically exempt, and

a. Appropriate $7.12 million; and
b. Award $5,961,003 procurement contract to Flowserve Corporation for valve actuators for the Diemer plant.

Moved:	Director De Jesus	Seconded:	Director Treviño
Ayes:	Directors Beard, Blois, Camacho, Dake, De Jesus, Dick, Faessel, Galleano, Lefevre, Morris, Peterson, Steiner, and Treviño		
Noes:	None		
Abstentions:	None		
Absent:	Directors Barbre, Gedney, and Zurita		

The motion passed by a vote of 13 ayes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 3 absent.

5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

None

6. COMMITTEE ITEMS

a. Subject: Update on Lake Oroville Spillway

Presented by: Water System Operations Interim Assistant Group Manager Brent Yamasaki

Mr. Yamasaki provided an update on the Lake Oroville Spillway.

b. Subject: Security update.
[Conference with Metropolitan Interim Security Manager Tomer Benito 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 Interim Team Manager Tomer Benito

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

7. MANAGEMENT REPORTS

a. Subject: Water System Operations Manager's report

Presented by: Water System Operations Group Manager Jim Green

Mr. Green provided updates on current operational conditions including water blends and storage, the Weymouth Oxidation Retrofit project, chemical supply chain issues caused by Hurricane Harvey, and annual shutdown planning.

b. Subject: Engineering Services Manager's report

Presented by: Engineering Services Group Manager Gordon Johnson

Mr. Johnson provided an update on several construction projects including the Jensen solar power plant and lagoon refurbishment, the Diemer administration building seismic upgrades, the Diamond Valley Lake East Dam electrical upgrades and restroom, and the Colorado River Aqueduct sand trap rehabilitation.

8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

None

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

Next meeting will be held on October 9, 2017.

Meeting adjourned at 1:35 p.m.

Glen Peterson
Chair