



Regular Board Meeting

March 12, 2019

12:00 p.m. – Boardroom

MWD Headquarters Building

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700 N. Alameda Street

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Los Angeles, CA 90012

1. Call to Order

- (a) Invocation: Michelle Morrison, Environmental Specialist,
Environmental Planning
- (b) Pledge of Allegiance: “Girls Today Women Tomorrow”

2. Roll Call

3. Determination of a Quorum

- 4.** Opportunity for members of the public to address the Board on matters within the Board’s jurisdiction. (As required by Gov. Code § 54954.3(a))

5. OTHER MATTERS

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting for February 12, 2019
(A copy has been mailed to each Director)
Any additions, corrections, or omissions
- B. Induction of new Director Robert Apodaca from Central Basin
Municipal Water District
 - (a) Receive credentials
 - (b) Report on credentials by General Counsel
 - (c) File credentials
 - (d) Administer Oath of Office
 - (e) File Oath

- C. Induction of new Director Gail Goldberg from San Diego County Water Authority
 - (a) Receive credentials
 - (b) Report on credentials by General Counsel
 - (c) File credentials
 - (d) Administer Oath of Office
 - (e) File Oath

- D. Induction of new Director Frank Heldman from Central Basin Municipal Water District
 - (a) Receive credentials
 - (b) Report on credentials by General Counsel
 - (c) File credentials
 - (d) Administer Oath of Office
 - (e) File Oath

- E. Approve Commendatory Resolutions for Directors Phillip D. Hawkins and Leticia Vasquez Wilson representing Central Basin Municipal Water District; and Fern Steiner representing San Diego County Water Authority

- F. Presentation of Commendatory Resolution for Director Michele Martinez representing the City of Santa Ana

- G. Presentation of 5-year Service Pin to Director Steve Blois

- H. Report on Directors' events attended at Metropolitan expense for month of February

- I. Approve committee assignments

- J. Chairwoman's Monthly Activity Report

6. DEPARTMENT HEADS' REPORTS

- A. General Manager's summary of activities for the month of February

- B. General Counsel's summary of activities for the month of February

- C. General Auditor's summary of activities for the month of February
- D. Interim Ethics Officer's summary of activities for the month of February

7. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS — ACTION

None

8. OTHER BOARD ITEMS — ACTION

- 8-1** Authorize participation in the Lower Basin Drought Contingency Plan on behalf of California; the General Manager has determined that the proposed actions are exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA. (WP&S)

- 8-2** Express opposition, unless amended, to SB 1 (Atkins, D-San Diego; Portantino, D-La Canada Flintridge; and Stern, D-Agoura Hills): California Environmental, Public Health, and Workers Defense Act of 2019; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA. (C&L)

- 8-3** Report on *Mary Padres v. Metropolitan Water District of Southern California*, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC698748 and authorize an increase in the maximum amount payable under contract with Seyfarth Shaw LLP for legal services by \$150,000 to an amount not to exceed \$250,000; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA. (L&C)
[Conference with legal counsel--existing litigation; to be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)]

8-4 Authorize settlement of *The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California v. Desert Milling, Inc., John Frederick Benson, et al.*, LASC Case No. BC687102; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA. (L&C)
[Conference with legal counsel—existing litigation; to be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)]

Added **8-5** Express support, if amended, to AB 1220 (C. Garcia, D-Bell Gardens): Metropolitan Water Districts; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA. (C&L)

Added **8-6** Express support, if amended, to SB 62 (Dodd, D-Napa): Endangered Species: accidental take associated with routine and ongoing agricultural activities; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA. (C&L)

Added **8-7** Express support to SB 669 (Caballero, D-Salinas): Water Quality: Safe Drinking Water Fund; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA. (C&L)

9. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

- 9-1** Update on Conservation Program
- 9-2** Information on Exchange Agreements with Desert Water Agency and Coachella Valley Water District. (WP&S)
- 9-3** Information on potential credit to enhance in-lieu deliveries to cyclic storage under limited conditions. (WP&S)
- 9-4** Report on Safe and Affordable Drinking Water Initiatives. (C&L)

10. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

11. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

12. ADJOURNMENT

NOTE: Each agenda item with a committee designation will be considered and a recommendation may be made by one or more committees prior to consideration and final action by the full Board of Directors. The committee designation appears in parentheses at the end of the description of the agenda item e.g., (E&O, F&I). Committee agendas may be obtained from the Board Executive Secretary.

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