THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA MINUTES

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

April 23, 2019

Chairwoman Gray called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. in the Boardroom at Metropolitan's Headquarters.

Members present: Abdo, Butkiewicz, Cordero, Dake, Gray, Hogan, Kurtz, Murray, Paskett (entered at 12:08 p.m.), Pressman, Ramos, Record, Smith, and Treviño

Member absent: Atwater, and McKenney

Other Board members present: DeJesus, Dick, Faessel, Galleano, Hall, Lefevre, Morris, and Williams

1. Opportunity for members of the public to address the committee and Board on matters within their jurisdiction

No members responded.

2. Approval of the Minutes of the meeting of the Executive Committee held March 26, 2019

Motion: Carried

Moved: Director Murray Seconded: Director Kurtz

Ayes: Directors Abdo, Butkiewicz, Cordero, Dake, Gray, Hogan, Kurtz, Murray,

Pressman, Ramos, Record, Smith, and Treviño

Noes: None Abstentions: None

Absent: Directors Atwater, McKenney, and Paskett

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

3. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairwoman Gray stated she had nothing to report at this time.

4. OTHER MATTERS

None

5. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

None

6. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION

None

7. DEPARTMENT HEAD'S REPORTS

a. Subject: General Manager's report of Metropolitan's activities

Presented by: General Manager Jeffrey Kightlinger

General Manager Kightlinger stated that he had nothing to add to his report.

b. Subject: General Counsel's report of Legal Department activities

Presented by: General Counsel Marcia Scully

General Counsel Scully provided updates on the following matters:

- 1. Imperial Irrigation District has challenged Metropolitan's recent CEQA determination relating to Drought Contingency Plan;
- 2. Agua Caliente Tribe litigation; and
- 3. *Mary Padres v. Metropolitan* employment litigation, including last week's mediation and settlement.

c. Subject: General Auditor's report of Audit Department activities

Presented by: General Auditor Gerald Riss

General Auditor Riss stated that he had nothing to add to his report at this time.

d. Subject: Interim Ethics Officer's report of Ethics Department

activities

Presented by: Interim Ethics Officer Gerald Riss

Interim Ethics Officer Riss stated that he had nothing to add to his report at this time.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND ITEMS

a. Subject: Finance and Insurance Committee

Presented by: Committee Chair Dake

Committee Chair Dake announced that the committee will consider three action items:

- Approve and authorize the distribution of Appendix A for use in the insurance and remarketing of Metropolitan's bonds;
- Adopt resolution to continue Metropolitan's Water Standby Charge for fiscal year 2019/20; and
- Authorize a professional services agreement to provide investment management services.

There will also be one information item:

 Renewal Status of Metropolitan's Property and Casualty Insurance Program

In addition, there will be three committee items heard:

- Demand Management Cost Allocation
- Financing Overview
- Investment Activities: April 2019

Lastly, the Interim Chief Financial Officer (CFO) will present:

Interim CFO's report

b. Subject: Water Planning and Stewardship Committee

Presented by: Committee Vice Chair Kurtz

Committee Vice Chair Kurtz announced the committee will consider one action item including:

 Review and consider the Central Basin Municipal Water District's approved Mitigated Negative Declarations and authorize the General Manager to enter into a Local Resources Program agreement with Central Basin Municipal Water District for the Central Basin Recycled Water Expansion Phase 1 Project

There will be one board information item on:

Update of Metropolitan's Emergency Storage Objective

There will be one committee item on:

Update on Water Surplus and Drought Management Plan

c. Subject: Engineering and Operations Committee

Presented by: Committee Chair Smith

Committee Chair Smith announced the committee will consider five action items:

- Award a construction contract for erosion control improvements at Garvey Reservoir;
- Award a procurement contract for sodium hypochlorite storage tanks at Lake Mathews;
- Authorize an agreement with Southern California Edison to implement protection improvements for the CRA 230 kV transmission system;
- Review and consider an addendum to the Programmatic Environmental Impact Report and award a construction contract for the rehabilitation of portions of the Second Lower Feeder; and
- Award a contract to rehabilitate flocculators at the Jensen Plant.

Also, one oral report will also be presented on the Energy Sustainability Plan Update.

Director Paskett entered the meeting at 12:08 p.m.

d. Subject: Communications and Legislation Committee

Presented by: Committee Chair Cordero

Committee Chair Cordero announced the committee will consider the following action item in May:

 Express opposition, unless amended, to SB 1 by Senators Atkins, Portantino and Stern: California Environmental, Public Health, and Workers Defense Act of 2019.

The committee will also hear a presentation on:

 Metropolitan's outreach work with local communities during construction and repair projects

And the committee will have our three standard committee items including:

- Reports on activities from Washington D.C.
- Report on activities from Sacramento
- External Affairs Management Report
- e. Subject: Organization, Personnel and Technology Committee

Presented by: Committee Chair Murray

Committee Chair Murray announced the committee will hear three committee items including:

- Succession Planning: Recruitment and Hiring;
- Succession Planning: Diversity, Culture, Inclusion, Equity; and
- Oral Update on the Datacenter Modernization Project
- f. Subject: Legal and Claims Committee

Presented by: Committee Chair McKenney

Committee Chair McKenney announced the committee will consider the following:

 Authorizing an increase in the contract with Olson Hagel Fishburn LLP for their work on the Ethics Office policies and procedures.

The committee will also hear the continuation of the report on existing Bay Delta and State Water Project litigation.

And lastly, the committee will review in closed session the settlement proposal received from the San Diego County Water Authority, and hear a report on the cases.

g. Subject: Real Property and Asset Management Committee

Presented by: Committee Chair Hogan

Committee Chair Hogan announced the committee will consider two items:

- Authorize the Employee Village Enhancement Program and an agreement with Roesling Nakamura Terada Architects to prepare a conceptual master plan and to conduct property assessments for District housing; and
- Authorize granting agricultural leases on Metropolitan-owned land in the Palo Verde Valley.

h. Subject: Audit and Ethics Committee

Presented by: Committee Chair Ramos

Committee Chair Ramos announced that the committee will not meet in April, but will reconvene again on May 28, 2019.

i. Subject: Approve draft committee and board meeting agendas and

schedule for May 2019

Presented by: Chairwoman Gray

Motion: Approve draft committee and board meeting agendas and

schedule for May 2019.

Motion: Carried

Moved: Director Hogan Seconded: Director Paskett

Ayes: Directors Abdo, Butkiewicz, Cordero, Dake, Gray, Hogan, Kurtz, Murray,

Paskett, Pressman, Ramos, Record, Smith, and Treviño

Noes: None

None

Abstentions:

Absent: Directors Atwater and McKenney

The motion passed by a vote of 14 ayes, 0 no, 0 abstain, and 2 absent.

9. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

Chairwoman Gray announced the following item is required to be heard in Closed Session.

The San Diego County Water Authority delegation withdrew from the meeting for the report on this item.

a. Review Settlement Proposal received from SDCWA and Report on San Diego County Water Authority v. Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, et al., San Francisco County Superior Court Case Nos. CPF-10-510830, CPF-12-512466, CPF-14-514004, CPF-16-515282, CPF-16-515391, CGC-17-563350, and CPF-18-516389; the appeal of the 2010 and 2012 actions, Court of Appeal for the First Appellate District Case Nos. A146901 and A148266 and California Supreme Court Case No. S243500; the petition for extraordinary writ in the 2010 and 2012 actions, Court of Appeal for the First Appellate District Case No. A155310; and the petition for extraordinary writ in the second 2016 action, Court of Appeal for the First Appellate District Case No. A154325 and California Supreme Court Case No. S251025

[Conference with legal counsel – existing litigation; to be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)]

Meeting returned to open session at 12:44 pm with no action taken.

10. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

None

11. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

The meeting was adjourned at 12:46 p.m.

Gloria D. Gray Chairwoman of the Board