THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

MINUTES

WATER PLANNING AND STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

APRIL 8, 2019

Chairman Atwater called the meeting to order at 12:21 p.m. in Committee Room 2-456 at Metropolitan's Headquarters.

Committee Members present: Chairman Atwater and Vice Chair Kurtz, Directors Abdo, Ackerman, Cordero (entered at 12:24 p.m.), De Jesus, Dick, Emrani, Hogan, Lefevre, McKenney, Morris, Peterson, Pressman, and Record.

Committee Members absent: Directors Paskett and Quiñonez

Other Directors present: Board Chairwoman Gray, Directors Barbre, Blois, Dake, Faessel, Galleano, Gold, Goldberg, Hall, Murray, Ortega, Smith, and Treviño.

Staff present: Coffey, Patterson, Kightlinger, Schlotterbeck, Scully, Munguia, and Upadhyay.

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 WATER PLANNING AND STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING HELD MARCH 11, 2019

Motion:	Director McKenney	Seconded: Director Emrani
Ayes:	Directors Abdo, Ackerman, Atwater, Cordero, De Jesus, Dick, Emrani, Hogan, Kurtz, Lefevre, McKenney, Morris, Pressman, and Record.	
Noes:	None	
Not voting:	Director Peterson.	
Absent:	Directors Paskett and Quiñonez.	

The motion passed by a vote of 14 ayes, 0 noes, 1 not voting, and 2 absent.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS – ACTION

7-3	Subject:	Adopt resolution to support Metropolitan's application for United States Bureau of Reclamation grant funding of \$1.5 million for Disadvantaged Communities Direct Install Program; authorize the General Manager to accept grant funds, if awarded; and authorize the General Manager to enter into a contract with United States Bureau of Reclamation for the grant funds, if awarded; the General Manager has determined that the proposed actions are exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA None	
	Presented by:		
	Motion:	1. Adopt the resolution to support Metropolitan's application for United States Bureau of Reclamation grant funding of \$1.5 million for Disadvantaged Communities Direct Install Program;	
		2. Authorize the General Manager to accept grant funds, if awarded; and	
		3. Authorize the General Manager to enter into a contract with United States Bureau of Reclamation for the grant funds, if awarded.	
	Moved:	Director De Jesus Seconded: Director Morris	
Ayes:		Directors Abdo, Ackerman, Atwater, Cordero, De Jesus, Dick, Emrani, Hogan, Kurtz, Lefevre, McKenney, Morris, Peterson, Pressman, and Record.	
	Absent:	Directors Paskett and Quiñonez.	

The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 15 ayes, 0 noes, and 2 absent.

4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS – ACTION

8-3 Subject: Authorize: (1) renewal of the Municipal Water Quality Investigations Agreement between the Department of Water Resources, the State Water Contractors and participating urban State Water Project Contractors, and (2) renewal of the Municipal Water Quality Investigations Program Specific Project Agreement between the State Water Contractors and participating urban State Water Project Contractors; the General Manager has determined that the proposed actions are exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA Presented by: None Motion: Authorize the General Manager to: Execute a renewal of the Municipal Water Quality a. Investigations Program Agreement between the Department of Water Resources, the State Water Contractors and participating urban State Water Project Contractors and continue the MWQI Program for an additional three-year term of January 1, 2020, to December 31, 2022; and b. Execute a renewal of the Municipal Water Quality Investigations Program Specific Project Agreement between the State Water Contractors and participating urban State Water Project Contractors and continue the MWQI Program for an additional three-year term of January 1, 2020, to December 31, 2022. Moved: Director De Jesus Seconded: Director Morris Ayes: Directors Abdo, Ackerman, Atwater, Cordero, De Jesus, Dick, Emrani, Hogan, Kurtz, Lefevre, McKenney, Morris, Peterson, Pressman, and Record. Absent Directors Paskett and Quiñonez. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 15 ayes and 2 absent. 8-4 Subject: Authorize the General Manager to provide a credit to offset increased costs associated with surplus deliveries to cyclic accounts; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA Presented by: Kira Alonzo, Sr. Engineer, Supply Acquisition Team

Motion:	Authorize the General Manager to enter into agreements to provide a cost-offset credit of up to \$225 per acre-foot for surplus deliveries under limited conditions, consistent with the terms in Attachment 2 of the board letter.	
Moved:	Director Morris	Seconded: Director McKenney
Ayes:	Directors Abdo, Ackerman, Atwater, Cordero, De Jesus, Dick, Emrani, Hogan, Kurtz, Lefevre, McKenney, Morris, Peterson, Pressman, and Record.	
Absent	Directors Paskett and Qui	ñonez.

The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 15 ayes and 2 absent.

Ms. Alonzo provided a presentation on the proposed action that would authorize the General Manager to provide credits of up to \$225 per acre-foot to offset the increased costs member agencies incur to capture additional imported supplies above their base deliveries.

Staff responded to a question by Director Hogan. Director Hogan requested an amendment to the original motion that was not accepted by the maker of the original motion.

8-5	Subject:	Review and consider the Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency's approved Mitigated Negative Declaration and authorize the General Manager to enter into the High Desert Water Bank Program agreement with the Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency James D. Bodnar, Manager, Water Acquisition Team	
	Presented by:		
	Motion:	 Review and consider the Lead Agency's adopted Mitigated Negative Declaration and take related CEQA actions, and a. Authorize the General Manager to enter into the High Desert Water Bank Program agreement with the Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency consistent with the terms outlined herein and in a form approved by the General Counsel; b. Approve capital payments of up to \$131 million for funding High Desert Water Bank facilities; and c. Approve payments of recovery fees, operation and maintenance costs, and energy costs related to the High Desert Water Bank. 	

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	Moved:	Director McKenney	Seconded: Director De Jesus	
	Ayes	Directors Abdo, Ackerman, Atwater, Cordero, De Jesus, Dick Emrani, Hogan, Kurtz, Lefevre, McKenney, Morris, Peterson Pressman, and Record.		
	Absent	Directors Paskett and Qui	ñonez	
	The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 15 ayes and 2 absent.			
	Mr. Bodnar gave a presentation that explained how the proposed High Desert Water Bank Program (Water Bank) with Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency (AVEK) would improve water supply reliability during dry years or emergencies and provide greater operational flexibility to balance supplies and demand.			
	The following di1. Hogan2. Lefevre3. Gold4. Pressman	rectors provided comments	and asked questions:	
8-6	Subject:	demand management agree legality already used in Fu Actions Funding agreeme enforce in Local Resource Program, and similar agree directed by the Board in 2	anager: (1) to include in all future elements the provision regarding ature Supply Actions/Foundational ents; and (2) to no longer include or es Program, Seawater Desalination elements the termination provision 2009; the General Manager has sed actions are exempt or otherwise	
	Presented by:	Brad Coffey, Manager, W	ater Resource Management	
	Motion:	Authorize the General Manager: (1) to include in all future demand management agreements the provision regarding legality already used in Future Supply Actions/Foundational Actions Funding agreements; and (2) to no longer include or enforce in Local Resources Program, Seawater Desalination Program, and similar agreements the termination provision directed by the Board in 2009.		
	Moved:	Director Peterson	Seconded: Director Morris	
	Ayes:	Directors Abdo, Ackerman, Atwater, Cordero, De Jesus, Dick, Emrani, Kurtz, Lefevre, McKenney, Morris, Peterson,		

Pressman, and Record.

Noes: Director Hogan.

Absent: Directors Paskett and Quiñonez.

The motion passed by a vote of 14 ayes, 1 no vote, and 2 absent.

Committee Chair Atwater noted that Metropolitan received a letter from San Diego County Authority (SDCWA) dated April 4, 2019, opposing agenda item 8-6. Metropolitan responded to SDCWA in letter dated April 8, 2019.

Mr. Coffey provided a presentation that explained the proposed action to authorize updating language in Metropolitan's demand management agreements.

The following directors provided comments and questions:

- 1. Hogan
- 2. McKenney

5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

None

6. COMMITTEE ITEMS

a. Subject: Update on Water Surplus and Drought Management Plan

Presented by: Demetri Polyzos, Manager, Resource Planning

Mr. Coffey introduced the item and noted the recent increase of State Water Project allocation from 35 percent to 70 percent.

Mr. Polyzos provided a presentation describing the water supply condition changes and improving Colorado River supply conditions.

7. MANAGEMENT REPORTS

- a. Subject: Bay-Delta Matters
 - Presented by: Roger K. Patterson, Assistant General Manager, Strategic Water Initiatives

Mr. Patterson reported on Bay Delta activity including Delta Conveyance, a 60-day stay in the State Water Resources Control Board proceedings on the proposed Change in Point of Diversion for California WaterFix, and the Department of Water Resources completion of the final Delta Emergency Response Plan.

b. Subject: Colorado River Matters

Presented by: Bill Hasencamp, Manager, Colorado River Resources

Mr. Hasencamp provided an oral update on Colorado River activity and a status update of the Drought Contingency Plan.

The following director provided comments and asked questions: 1. Smith

Subject: Water Resource Management Manager's Report

Presented by: Brad Coffey, Manager, Water Resource Management

Mr. Coffey reported on the Disadvantaged Community Regional Rebate Pilot Program for premium high efficiency toilets and noted that the program was fully subscribed to on the first day rebates were offered.

8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

None

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9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

Next meeting will be held on May 13, 2019.

Meeting adjourned at 1:34 p.m.

Richard Atwater Chair