

THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

MINUTES

ENGINEERING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

September 9, 2019

Chair Smith called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m. in Committee Room 2-456 at Metropolitan's Headquarters.

Members present: Chair Smith, Vice Chair De Jesus, Directors Barbre, Blois, Dick (entered at 12:32 p.m.), Faessel, Galleano, Lefevre, Murray, Ortega, Peterson, and Treviño.

Members absent: Directors Apodaca, Heldman, Morris, and Williams.

Other Board members present: Directors Ackerman, Atwater, Butkiewicz, Dake, Goldberg, Hall, Hogan, Kurtz, McKenney, and Record.

Committee staff present: Bednarski, Kightlinger, Linares, Parsons, Upadhyay, and Yamasaki.

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

None

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE ENGINEERING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE HELD AUGUST 19, 2019

Motion: Carried

Moved: Director Faessel Seconded: Director Barbre

Ayes: Directors Barbre, Blois, De Jesus, Faessel, Galleano, Lefevre, Murray, Ortega, Peterson, Smith, and Treviño.

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

Absent: Directors Apodaca, Dick, Heldman, Morris, and Williams.

The motion passed by a vote of 11 ayes, 0 noes, 0 abstain, and 5 absent.

Director Dick entered at 12:32 p.m.

Abstentions: None

Absent: Directors Apodaca, Heldman, Morris, and Williams.

The motion passed by a vote of 12 ayes, 0 noes, 0 abstain, and 4 absent.

The following Directors provided comments or asked questions:

1. Faessel
2. Lefevre
3. Peterson
4. Ortega
5. Dick
6. Treviño
7. Blois

8-2 Subject: Approve contractor request for subcontractor substitution for the F.E. Weymouth Water Treatment Plant Chlorination System Upgrades construction contract, as recommended by the Hearing Officer; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA

Presented by: Engineering Services Unit Manager Francisco Becerra

Motion: Approve the request for subcontractor substitution for the F.E. Weymouth Water Treatment Plant Chlorination System Upgrades construction contract.

Moved: Director Ortega Seconded: Director Murray

Ayes: Directors Barbre, Blois, De Jesus, Dick, Faessel, Galleano, Lefevre, Murray, Ortega, Peterson, Smith, and Treviño.

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

Absent: Directors Apodaca, Heldman, Morris, and Williams.

The motion passed by a vote of 12 ayes, 0 noes, 0 abstain, and 4 absent.

The following Directors provided comments or asked questions:

1. Peterson
2. Blois
3. Ortega

5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

None

6. COMMITTEE ITEMS

- a. Subject: Capital Investment Plan Quarterly Report for Period Ending June 2019

Presented by: Engineering Services Principal Engineer James Hong

Mr. Hong provided an update on the Capital Investment Plan.

The following Directors provided comments or asked questions:

1. Lefevre
2. Ortega
3. McKenney
4. Smith
5. Peterson

- b. Subject: Regional Recycled Water Program Update

Presented by: Water System Operations Section Manager Heather Collins

Ms. Collins provided an update on the Regional Recycled Water Program Update.

The following Directors provided comments or asked questions:

1. Barbre
2. Peterson
3. Smith

7. MANAGEMENT REPORTS

- a. Subject: Water System Operations Manager's report

Presented by: Interim Water System Operations Group Manager Brent Yamasaki

Mr. Yamasaki provided updates on the successful contingency plan for the operations control center in Eagle Rock, and on the annual shutdown plan.

- b. Subject: Engineering Services Manager's report

Presented by: Engineering Services Chief Engineer and Group Manager
 John Bednarski

Mr. Bednarski provided an update on Engineering Services staffing and development programs, the 11th Biennial Water Seismic Conference, and provided an update on the Headquarters Building Improvement Project.

8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

Director Peterson announced that the Israeli delegation meeting was taking place on this same day at Metropolitan's headquarters building.

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

Next meeting will be held on October 7, 2019.

Meeting adjourned at 1:36 p.m.

Tim Smith
Chair