

Director Lefevre entered the meeting at 11:17 a.m.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS – ACTION

7-6 Subject: Authorize an annual increase of \$300,000, to an amount not-to-exceed \$500,000 per year, for an existing agreement with WaterWise Consulting, Inc. to provide inspection services for turf removal, regional device rebates, and water saving incentive program projects for Metropolitan’s conservation rebate programs; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA

Presented by: None

Motion: Authorize the General Counsel to increase the amount payable under its agreement with WaterWise Consulting, Inc. by \$300,000 to a maximum amount payable not-to-exceed \$500,000 per agreement year.

Motion Carried Moved: Director Dick Seconded: Director Record

Due to voting software malfunction, a hand vote was carried out. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 14 ayes, 0 noes, 0 abstentions and 3 absent.

Ayes: Directors Abdo, Ackerman, Atwater, De Jesus, Dick, Goldberg, Kurtz, Lefevre, McKenney, Paskett, Peterson, Quinonez, and Record.

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

Absent: Director Cordero, Morris, and Pressman.

The following Directors provided comments or asked questions:

1. Paskett
2. Dick

4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS – ACTION

8-4 Subject: Review and consider the Fallbrook Public Utilities District’s approved Final EIR/EIS and Addendum and take related CEQA actions, and authorize the General Manager to enter into a Local Resources Program agreement with San Diego County Water Authority and Fallbrook Public Utilities District for the Fallbrook Groundwater Desalter Project

Presented by: None

Motion: Review and consider the Fallbrook Public Utilities District’s adopted 2016 Final EIS/EIR and Addendum, adopt the Lead Agency’s findings and MMRP related to the proposed action, and authorize the General Manager to enter into a Local Resources Program agreement with San Diego County Water Authority and Fallbrook Public Utility District for the Fallbrook Groundwater Desalter Project for up to 3,100 AFY of treated groundwater water under the terms included in this letter.

Motion Carried: Moved: Director Abdo Seconded: Director McKenney

Due to voting software malfunction, a hand vote was carried out. The motion passed by a vote of 13 ayes, 0 noes, 0 abstentions, 1 Recusal and 3 absent.

Ayes: Directors Abdo, Ackerman, Atwater, De Jesus, Dick, Goldberg, Kurtz, Lefevre, McKenney, Paskett, Peterson, Quinonez, and Record.

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

Recusal: Director Hogan

Absent: Directors Cordero, Morris, and Pressman.

8-5 Subject: Authorize \$5.0 million for a Stormwater for Direct Use Pilot Program for developing and monitoring of stormwater capture for direct-use projects; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA

Presented by: Tracy Abundez, Assistant Resource Specialist,
Water Acquisition Team

Amended Motion: Authorize \$5.0 million for the Stormwater for Direct Use Pilot Program for developing and monitoring of stormwater capture for direct-use projects consistent with the program criteria, with the understanding that the pilot program applies to both potable and reclaimed water projects.

Motion Carried: Moved: Director Abdo Seconded: Director McKenney

The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 14 ayes, 0 noes, 0 abstentions and 3 absent.

Ayes: Directors Abdo, Ackerman, Atwater, De Jesus, Dick, Goldberg, Hogan, Kurtz, Lefevre, McKenney, Paskett, Peterson, Quinonez, and Record.

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

Absent: Director Cordero, Morris, and Pressman.

Ms. Abundez provided a detailed presentation on Metropolitan's proposed Stormwater for Direct Use Pilot Program. The program encourages development and monitoring of new and existing direct use stormwater projects by providing financial incentives for project construction and retrofit and monitoring costs.

Motion was amended per Director Peterson's request.

The following Directors provided comments or asked questions:

1. Atwater
2. Abdo
3. Peterson
4. McKinney
5. Dick
6. Paskett
7. Record

5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

None

6. COMMITTEE ITEMS

None

7. MANAGEMENT REPORTS

a. Subject: Bay-Delta Matters

Presented by: Roger Patterson, Assistant General Manager, Strategic Water Initiatives

Mr. Patterson provided a brief update on the undergoing finalization of the biological opinions from two federal fish agencies; the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Marine Fisheries Services. Mr. Patterson advised of the upcoming Bay Delta Committee on September 24, 2019, which will provide an update on negotiations that are underway with the Department of Water Resources relative to the contract amendment that will be required for Delta Conveyance, as well as a Delta Smelt Science update.

b. Subject: Colorado River Matters

Presented by: Bill Hasencamp, Manager, Colorado River Resources

Mr. Hasencamp provided an update on Lake Mead, IID and the concerns of the U.S Bureau of Reclamation not operating the Paradox Valley well due to aftershocks of the recent earthquakes in California. Mr. Hasencamp advised the committee of Director Kurtz's upcoming vote in the Palo Verde Irrigation District election.

c. Subject: Water Resource Management Manager's report

Presented by: Brad Coffey, Manager, Water Resource Management

Mr. Coffey reported the comment letter on the Water Resilience Portfolio was sent on August 30, 2019.

8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

None

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

Next meeting will be held on October 8, 2019.

Meeting adjourned at 11:47 a.m.

Richard Atwater
Chair