

Approved November 13, 2019

**EAST VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

October 23, 2019

MINUTES

The Chairman of the Board called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Vice Chairman Smith led the flag salute.

PRESENT: Directors: Carrillo, Coats, Goodrich, Morales, Smith

ABSENT: None

STAFF: John Mura, General Manager/CEO; Brian Tompkins, Chief Financial Officer; Jeff Noelte, Director of Engineering and Operations; Kelly Malloy, Director of Strategic Services; Justine Hendricksen, District Clerk; Shayla Antrim, Senior Administrative Assistant

LEGAL COUNSEL: Jean Cihigoyenetché

GUEST(s): Members of the public

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairman Carrillo declared the public participation section of the meeting open at 5:31 p.m.

There being no written or verbal comments, the public participation section was closed.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

M/S/C (Coats-Goodrich) that the October 23, 2019 agenda be approved as submitted.

SEPTEMBER DISBURSEMENTS

M/S/C (Morales-Coats) that the General Fund Disbursements #254859 through #255015 which were distributed during the period of September 1, 2019 through September 30, 2019, bank drafts, and ACH Payments in the amount of \$3,825,578.38 and \$372,875.06 for payroll and benefit contributions, totaling \$4,198,453.44 be approved.

APPROVE THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 2019

The District Clerk stated that there is a correction to page #4 of the financial statements; the Chief Financial Officer provided the correction to the numbers of the

projection's column of the charts on page #4, which reflects the information provided on page #3.

M/S/C (Morales-Coats) that the Board approve the financial statements for September 2019 as amended.

APPROVE THE INVESTMENT REPORT FOR QUARTER ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

M/S/C (Morales-Coats) that the Board accept and file the investment report for the quarter ended September 30, 2019.

AUTHORIZE FURTHER EVALUATION OF A NEW SURFACE WATER TREATMENT PLANT

The Director of Engineering and Operations provided information regarding the District's efforts to increase water production capabilities based on both current and future demand needs. He stated that the District is continuing efforts to make strategic decisions that will provide both short and long-term benefits to customers; he reviewed the District's current three sources of water supply; he listed three alternatives that were considered for future water production. He stated that to determine the most appropriate alternative, a simplified life cycle cost analysis was performed. He discussed the results of the analysis and stated that further evaluation is needed to characterize each alternative in more detail. The Director of Engineering and Operations stated that he anticipates the consulting services to complete further analysis to be at an estimated cost of \$125,000 and is expected to take about nine months to complete. He stated that once a consultant is selected, staff will bring a recommendation to the Board for contract approval.

M/S/C (Goodrich-Coats) that the Board authorize staff to further evaluate the construction of a new surface water treatment plant in the eastern part of the District's service area.

TRANSFER OF UNCLAIMED FUNDS INTO THE DISTRICT GENERAL FUND

M/S/C (Morales-Goodrich) that the Board authorize the Chief Financial Officer to perform procedures prescribed in the Government Code and Civil Code of Procedure for the purpose of encumbering stale-dated checks and keeping the related funds from escheating to the State as submitted.

BOARD MEETING CANCELLATIONS

M/S/C (Coats-Smith) that the Board approve the cancellation of the November 27, 2019 and the December 25, 2019 regular board meetings.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REPORTS

Director Coats reported on the following: October 10 he attended the Association of California Water Agencies Region 9 event where Dr. Dale Marsden was the speaker; October 10 he attended the Advisory Commission on Water Policy meeting; October 21

he attended the San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District Board meeting, and the Association of San Bernardino County Special Districts monthly meeting.

Vice Chairman Smith reported on the following: October 14-16 he attended a tour of the Oroville Dam hosted by San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District; October 18 he met with the General Manager/CEO to review the agenda and to discuss District business; October 21 he attended the Association of San Bernardino County Special Districts monthly meeting; and October 22 he attended the Highland Chamber of Commerce monthly meeting where Assemblymember Ramos was the speaker.

Director Morales reported on the following: October 10 he attended the Association of California Water Agencies Region 9 education program; October 14-16 he attended the State Water Project tour hosted by San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District; October 18 he met with the General Manager/CEO for a tour of the Sterling Natural Resource Center site and updates; and October 22 he attended the Highland Chamber of Commerce monthly meeting where Assemblymember Ramos was the speaker.

Director Goodrich reported on the following: October 14-16 he attended the State Water Project tour hosted by San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District and Metropolitan Water District; October 21 he met with the General Manager/CEO for a site tour of the Sterling Natural Resource Center and to review the agenda; and October 21 he attended the Association of San Bernardino County Special Districts monthly meeting.

Chairman Carrillo reported on the following: October 17 he reviewed the agenda with the General Manager/CEO; and October 18 he met with the General Manager/CEO to discuss District business.

Information only.

GENERAL MANAGER/CEO REPORT

The General Manager/CEO reported on the following: October 23 the District hosted the Women-in-Water Inland Empire Breakfast and Speaker Program; it was a great turnout with approximately 85 attendees. Today the District participated in "Imagine a Day Without Water" and hosted a booth at the Rio Ranch Market to raise awareness for the importance of conservation. October 24 he will be providing a tour of the Sterling Natural Resource Center (SNRC) to Assemblymember Ramos and staff, and October 25 he will be providing a tour of the SNRC to representatives from San Manual Band of Mission Indians.

The General Manager/CEO informed the Board of the following:

- October 31 at 11:30 a.m. the Employee Events Association will be hosting their annual jacket drive to benefit students from Hunt Elementary School
- November 2 at 10am the District will be hosting a free Conservation Workshop: The Ins and Outs of Irrigation

- November 4 at 3:30 p.m., the District will be holding the Finance and Human Resources Committee meeting.

Information only.

LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT

No report at this time.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' COMMENTS

Vice Chairman Smith commented that he made repairs to his home irrigation system and will be attending the upcoming Conservation Workshop.

Director Morales stated that he is looking forward to the results of the Gambler 500 race that some members of staff are participating in on Veteran's Day.

Chairman Carrillo shared that Western Municipal Water District prevailed in a lawsuit that challenged their budget-based rates; a court ruled in their favor.

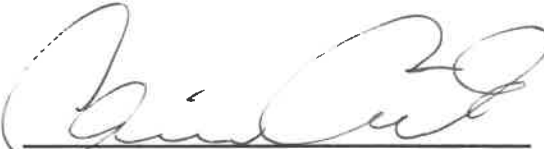
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ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.



John Mura, Secretary



Chris Carrillo, Board President