



ENVIRONMENTAL AND WATER RESOURCES COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Monday, October 21, 2024

(Paragraph numbers coincide with agenda item numbers)

A regularly scheduled meeting of the Environmental and Water Resources Committee (Committee) Meeting was held on October 21, 2024, at Santa Clara Valley Water District, Headquarters Building, 5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, California.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Committee Chair Charles Ice called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. A quorum was established with 11 members present.

Members in attendance were:

District 1: Swanee Edwards and Loren Lewis
District 2: Chairperson Charles Ice
District 3: Charles Taylor, Bill Roth
District 4: Bob Levy
District 5: Mike Michitaka
District 6: Eleni Jacobson, Rebecca Gallardo
District 7: Vice Chairperson Arthur M. Keller, Ph.D.

Members not in attendance were:

District 2: Shiloh Ballard
District 5: Patrick Kwok
District 7: Tess Byler

Member Jim Piazza arrived late as noted below.

Board members in attendance were: Director Nai Hsueh (District 5) and Director Tony Estremera (District 6).

Staff members in attendance were: John Bourgeois, Andrew Garcia, Cindy Kao, Dave Leon, Vanessa de la Piedra, Kirsten Struve, and Jing Wu.

Public in attendance were: Jason Gurdak and Katja Irvin.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairperson Ice declared time open for public comment on any item not on the agenda. There was no one who wished to speak.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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It was moved by Vice Chairperson Keller, seconded by Member Edwards, and majority vote carried, to approve the July 15, 2024 Committee meeting minutes as presented. Members Gallardo and Jacobson abstained.

4. REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

4.1. RECEIVE INFORMATION AND PROVIDE FEEDBACK ON VALLEY WATER'S WATER SUPPLY MASTER PLAN 2050

Jing Wu reviewed the information on this item, per the attached Committee Agenda Memo, and the corresponding presentation materials contained in Attachments 1 through 6.

Jing Wu, Cindy Kao, Vanessa de la Piedra, and Kirsten Struve were available to answer questions.

Member Piazza arrived at 6:06 p.m.

The Committee received the information and took no formal action.

4.2 REVIEW AND RECEIVE UPDATES ON ENVIRONMENTAL AND WATER RESOURCES COMMITTEE'S WORKING GROUPS

John Bourgeois reviewed the information on this item, per the attached Committee Agenda Memo, and the corresponding presentation materials contained in Attachments 1 and 2, and was available to answer questions.

The Committee received the information and took no formal action.

4.3 RECEIVE VERBAL UPDATE ON THE ANDERSON DAM SEISMIC RETROFIT PROJECT

Andrew Garcia provided information relating to the microtunnel boring machine, pipe installation, and lake tap work. He further reported on ongoing work inside the tunnel and the diversion outlet structure.

The Committee received the information and took no formal action.

4.4 REVIEW ENVIRONMENTAL AND WATER RESOURCES COMMITTEE WORK PLAN, THE OUTCOMES OF BOARD ACTION OF COMMITTEE REQUESTS; AND THE COMMITTEE'S NEXT MEETING AGENDA.

Dave Leon and John Bourgeois reviewed the information on this item, per the attached Committee Agenda Memo, and the corresponding presentation materials contained in Attachments 1 and 2 and were available to answer questions.

The Committee received the information and took no formal action.

5. STANDING ITEMS

5.1 DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Director Keegan noted that this would be her final meeting as a Valley Water Director, thanked the Committee members for their service, and recognized former EWRC member Elizabeth Sarmiento for her service.

Director Estremera thanked Director Keegan for her service to the Committee.

5.2 MANAGER'S REPORTS

No reports were given.

6. CLERK REVIEW AND CLARIFICATION OF COMMITTEE'S REQUESTS TO THE BOARD

The Committee took no action.

7. ADJOURNMENT

7.1 ADJOURN

Chairperson Ice adjourned the meeting at 7:23 p.m. to the next regular meeting on Monday, January 27, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

Dave Leon
Assistant Deputy Clerk II

Date approved: January 27, 2025