



SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER COMMISSION MEETING

MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23, 2023

(Paragraph numbers coincide with agenda item numbers)

A special scheduled meeting and tour of the Santa Clara Valley Water Commission (Commission) was held on August 23, 2023, at the Silicon Valley Advanced Water Purification Center (SVAWPC) Facility, 4190 Zanker Road, San Jose CA 95134.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Chair Hon. Karen Hardy called the meeting to order at 12:16 p.m. A quorum of 11 was established. 1 additional member arrived at 12:52 p.m.

Members in attendance were:

<u>Municipality</u>	<u>Representative</u>	<u>Alternate</u>
City of Campbell	Hon. Susan M. Landry	
City of Cupertino	Hon. J. R. Fruen	
Town of Los Altos Hills	Hon. Lisa Schmidt	
Town of Los Gatos	Hon. Maria Ristow	
City of Milpitas	Hon. Carmen Montano*	
City of Monte Sereno		Hon. Bryan Mekechuk
City of Morgan Hill	Hon. Gino Borgioli	
City of Palo Alto	Hon. Lydia Kou	
City of San José	Hon. Domingo Candelas	
City of Santa Clara	Hon. Karen Hardy	
City of Saratoga	Hon. Chuck Page	
Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District	Hon. Jed Cyr	

Members not in attendance were:

<u>Municipality</u>	<u>Representative</u>	<u>Alternate</u>
City of Campbell		Hon. Sergio Lopez
City of Cupertino		Hon. Liang Chao
City of Gilroy	Hon.. Dion Bracco	Hon. Fred Tovar
City of Los Altos	Hon. Neysa Fligor	Hon. Pete Dailey
Town of Los Gatos		Hon. Matthew Hudes
City of Monte Sereno	Hon. Evert Wolsheimer	

City of Morgan Hill		Hon. Yvonne Martinez-Beltran
City of Mountain View	Hon. Lucas Ramirez	Hon. Pat Showalter
City of Palo Alto		Hon. Vicki Veenker
City of San José		Kerrie Romanow
City of Santa Clara		Hon. Kathy Watanabe
City of Saratoga		Hon. Belal Aftab
City of Sunnyvale	Hon. Alysa Cisneros	Hon. Richard Mehlinger
County of Santa Clara	Hon. Sylvia Arenas	Hon. Cindy Chavez
Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority	Hon. Mike Flaughner	Helen Chapman
Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District		Hon. Yoriko Kishimoto

*Water Commission Member arrived as noted below.

Board member in attendance was: Director Nai Huseh (District 5) and Director/Board Chair John L. Varela (District 1), (Board Representatives).

Staff members in attendance were: Hossein Ashktorab, Brandon Adriano, Aaron Baker, Nastaran Basiri, Roseryn Bhudsabourg, Glenna Brambill, Lakeisha Bryant, Jiana Escobar, Metra Richert, Don Rocha, Diahann Soleno, Kirsten Struve, Sherilyn Tran, and Gregory Williams.

Public in attendance were: Hon. Jim Beall (Valley Water Board Member-District 4), Elizabeth Flegel (City of Mountain View), Katja Irvin (Sierra Club Loma Prieta Chapter), Just Lipp, and Hon. Richard Mehlinger (City of Sunnyvale).

2. TIME OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY ITEM NOT ON AGENDA

There was no one present who wished to speak.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Hon. Gino Borgioli, seconded by Hon. Bryan Mekechuk, and by unanimous vote approved the April 12, 2023, Santa Clara Valley Water Commission meeting minutes as presented.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR:

It was moved by Hon. Susan M. Landry, seconded by Hon. Chuck Page, and by unanimous vote approved to move Agenda Item 6.1 Standing Items Report on consent.

5. REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS:

5.1 REVIEW SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER COMMISSION WORK PLAN, THE OUTCOMES OF BOARD ACTION OF COMMISSION REQUESTS; AND THE COMMISSION'S NEXT AGENDA

Commission Chair Hon. Karen Hardy reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item.

The Santa Clara Valley Water Commission took the following action:

It was moved by Hon. Maria Ristow, seconded by Hon. Bryan Mekechuk, and by unanimous vote approved having the Board consider adding a discussion of the unhoused situation and AB1469 update on the work plan.

It was moved by Hon. Bryan Mekechuk, seconded by Hon. Susan M. Landry, and by unanimous vote approved adding electing a new Vice Chair to the October agenda since the City of Cupertino re-assigned Hon. Kitty Moore.

6.1. STANDING ITEMS REPORT

Moved on Consent, Agenda Item 4.

7. CLERK REVIEW AND CLARIFICATION OF COMMISSION REQUESTS TO THE BOARD

Glenna Brambill reported there were the following action items:

Agenda Item 5.1:

The Water Commission unanimously approved having the Board consider adding a discussion of the unhoused situation and AB1469 update on the work plan.

The Water Commission unanimously approved adding electing a new Vice Chair to the October agenda since the City of Cupertino re-assigned Hon. Kitty Moore.

8. REPORTS

8.1 Director's Report

None.

8.2 Manager's Report

Roseryn Bhudsabourg reported on.

- Valley Water is sponsoring AB1469 authored by Assemblymember Ash Kalra to assist the unhoused people living along waterways as an authorized purposed of our independent special district. This Bill is supported by the County of Santa Clara and the Cities of San José, Santa Clara and Cupertino.

8.3 Commission Member Report

Hon. Lydia Kou reported on:

- Encouraged the Water Commissioners to participate in Valley Water's Water Ambassador's Program to get more information on the projects. There is an application process

7.4 Informational Links Report

Information located on the agenda.

*Hon. Carmen Montano arrived at 12:52 p.m.

9.1 SILICON VALLEY ADVANCED WATER PURIFICATION CENTER PRESENTATION AND FACILITY TOUR

Don Rocha, Lakeisha Bryant, and Kirsten Struve reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item and answer questions as needed.

The Santa Clara Valley Water Commission discussed the following: facility locations, potable/non potable water, purple piping, costs, recharge/percolation ponds, groundwater/wells, water supply, and imported water.

The Santa Clara Valley Water Commission took no action.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Commission Chair Hon. Karen Hardy adjourned at 1:11 p.m. to the Tour and the regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, October 25, 2023, at 12:00 p.m.

Glenna Brambill
Board Committee Liaison
Office of the Clerk of the Board

Approved: 10-25-2023