

WATER CONSERVATION AND DEMAND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES

MONDAY, JULY 25, 2022

A regular meeting of the Water Conservation and Demand Management Committee was held on July 25, 2022, at Santa Clara Valley Water District, Headquarters Building Boardroom, 5700 Almaden Expressway, in San Jose, California.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair Director Linda J. LeZotte called the meeting to order at 11:13 a.m.

1.1. ROLL CALL

Committee Board Members in attendance were: Committee Vice Chair, Director Nai Hsueh (District 5), Director Barbara F. Keegan (District 2), and Committee Chair, Director Linda J. LeZotte (District 4) establishing a quorum.

Staff members in attendance were: Joseph Aranda, Aaron Baker, Lisa Bankosh, Roseryn Bhudsabourg, Glenna Brambill, Justin Burks, Usha Chatwani, George Cook, Phil Dolan, Anthony Fulcher, Paola Giles, Samantha Greene, Linh Hoang, Cindy Kao, Candice Kwok-Smith, Isabella Millet, Colin Resch, Metra Richert, Mary Samar, Ashley Shannon, Kirsten Struve, Gregory Williams, and Jing Wu.

Guest Agencies in attendance were: Katja Irvin (Sierra Club Loma Prieta Chapter), Julia Schmitt (Brown and Caldwell), and Kurt Elvert (San Jose Water Company-SJWC).

Public in attendance was: Dr. Arthur M. Keller.

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

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It was moved by Director Nai Hsueh, seconded by Director Barbara F. Keegan, and carried unanimously, to approve the minutes of the June 27, 2022, Water Conservation and Demand Management Committee meeting as presented.

4. ACTION ITEMS

4.1. MONTHLY UPDATE ON PROGRESS TOWARDS ACHIEVING VALLEY WATER'S WATER USE REDUCTION TARGET AND WATER CONSERVATION EFFORTS RELATED TO THE DROUGHT EMERGENCY

Kirsten Struve reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda items.

The Water Conservation and Demand Management Committee discussed the following: Villages' letter, outreach messaging, complaints, restrictions, e-shopping cart items, and concerns with the requirements.

Ashley Shannon and Linh Hoang were available to answer questions.

Public Comment:

Dr. Arthur Keller noted that maneuvering through the water waste complaint process was difficult and restaurants giving a glass of water and a pitcher of water is wasteful and should be stopped.

The Water Conservation and Demand Management Committee took no action.

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4.2. DRAFT ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING ZONES OF CONTROLLED DRINKING WATER WELL CONSTRUCTION FOR THE PURIFIED WATER PROJECT

George Cook reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda items.

The Water Conservation and Demand Management Committee discussed the following: ordinance's impacts, appeal process vs hearing process, state law compliance needs to be clear, so the Board understands the intent of the ordinance, and water supply purposes-well constructions need to be determined.

Anthony Fulcher was available to answer questions.

The Water Conservation and Demand Management Committee took no action

4.3. EVALUATING WATER CONSERVATION PROGRAM OPPORTUNITIES

Ashley Shannon reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda items.

The Water Conservation and Demand Management Committee discussed the following: hot water recirculation pump analysis shows not cost effective, large landscape program, those dwellings/homes that are impacted, and share information on collaborations.

Public Comment:

Dr. Arthur Keller suggested that new developments should be required to install recirculation pumps because it takes too long for the water to heat up.

The Water Conservation and Demand Management Committee took no action.

4.4. STANDING ITEMS REPORT

Committee Chair Director Linda J. LeZotte reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda items.

There were no verbal updates for:

- 1. Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA)
- 2. Flood MAR
- 3. Agricultural Water Use Baseline Study

The Water Conservation and Demand Management Committee took no action.

4.5 REVIEW WATER CONSERVATION AND DEMAND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE WORK PLAN, THE OUTCOMES OF BOARD ACTION OF COMMITTEE REQUESTS; AND THE COMMITTEE'S NEXT MEETING AGENDA

Kirsten Struve reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda items.

The August Agenda Items:

- Drought and Enforcement Ordinance
- Drought Plan Vulnerability Assessment
- Drought vs. long term planning
- Ag Baseline study (Fall)

The Committee's next scheduled meeting is at 3:00 p.m. August 29, 2022.

5. CLERK REVIEW AND CLARIFICATION OF COMMITTEE'S REQUESTS

Glenna Brambill stated there were no action items for Board consideration.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Committee Chair Director Linda J. LeZotte adjourned at 12:08 p.m., to the next scheduled meeting.

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

Approved: 8-29-2022