



WATER CONSERVATION AND DEMAND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES

MONDAY, AUGUST 28, 2023

A regular meeting of the Water Conservation and Demand Management Committee was held on August 28, 2023, at Santa Clara Valley Water District, Headquarters Building Boardroom, 5700 Almaden Expressway, in San Jose, California.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair Director Nai Hsueh called the meeting to order at 11:02 a.m.

1.1. ROLL CALL

Committee Board Members in attendance were: Committee Chair, Director Nai Hsueh (District 5), and Committee Vice Chair Director Rebecca Eisenberg (District 7), establishing a quorum.

Valley Water Staff in attendance were: Antonio Alfaro, Joseph Aranda, Aaron Baker, Sam Bogale, Glenna Brambill, Justin Burks, Rick L. Callender, Theresa Chinte, Keila Cisneros, Vanessa De La Piedra, Adelina Del Real, Phil Dolan, Rachael Gibson, Vincent Gin, Samantha Greene, Jason Gurdak, Linh Hoang, Cindy Kao, Matt Keller, Michele King, Candice Kwok-Smith, Dave Leon, Jessica Lovering, Becky Manchester, Velia Mariscal, Carlos Orellana, Paola Reyes, Metra Richert, Don Rocha, Michelle San Miguel, Ashley Shannon, Nicholas Simard, Kirsten Struve, Cheryl Togami, Sherilyn Tran, Sana Wazit, Gregory Williams, Jing Wu, and Genevieve Yip.

Public in attendance were: Michael Bolzowski (California Water Service Company), Brian Boyer (Cinnabar Hills Golf Club), Julia Nussbaum, and John L. Varela (Valley Water Board Chair, District 1).

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

3.1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES JUNE 26, 2023

Committee Chair Director Nai Hsueh reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda items. It was moved by Committee Vice Chair Director Rebecca Eisenberg, seconded by Committee Chair Director Nai Hsueh, and unanimously approved, the minutes of the June 26, 2023, Water Conservation and Demand Management Committee regular meeting as presented.

4. REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

4.1 SAFE CLEAN WATER CONSERVATION PROGRAM - PROJECT A2: WATER CONSERVATION REBATES AND PROGRAMS UPDATE

Ashley Shannon reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item and was available to answer questions as needed.

The Water Conservation and Demand Management Committee discussed the following: Environmental Justice impacts, rates, water conservation through education, and reporting water waste users.

Kirsten Struve and Metra Richert were available to answer questions.

Committee Chair Nai Hsueh recognized the Landscape Committee's/Brian Boyer's effort and the success Valley Water's 2023 Landscape Summit.

The Water Conservation and Demand Management Committee took no action.

4.2 FLOOD-MANAGED AQUIFER RECHARGE PRELIMINARY FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR SANTA CLARA COUNTY

Samantha Greene reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item and was available to answer questions as needed.

The Water Conservation and Demand Management Committee discussed the following: development of pilot program, and schedule information.

The Water Conservation and Demand Management Committee took no action.

4.3 WATER SUPPLY MASTER PLAN 2040 CONSERVATION AND STORMWATER CAPTURE PROJECT UPDATE - "NO REGRETS" PACKAGE IMPLEMENTATION

Metra Richert reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item and was available to answer questions as needed.

The Water Conservation and Demand Management Committee discussed the following: positive environmental justice impact, goal settings, funding, AMI question, and stormwater resource plan.

Kirsten Struve and Samantha Greene were available to answer questions.

Committee Chair Nai Hsueh acknowledged the comprehensiveness of the 3 agenda items for this Committee today: 4.1. Safe Clean Water Conservation Program - Project A2: Water Conservation Rebates and Programs Update, 4.2. Flood-Managed Aquifer Recharge Preliminary Feasibility Study for Santa Clara County and, 4.3. Water Supply Master Plan 2040 Conservation and Stormwater Capture Project Update – "No Regrets" Package Implementation, and the progress made toward meeting the 110,000AF/year conservation goal. To those constituents that may have a perception that the efforts aren't of higher priority, Committee Chair Hsueh emphasized the full Board's commitment for adequate financing and staffing resources to successfully implement the conservation programs.

The Water Conservation and Demand Management Committee took no action.

4.4 VALLEY WATER DEMAND MODEL AND FORECAST

Samantha Greene reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item and was available to answer questions as needed.

The Water Conservation and Demand Management Committee discussed the following: question on whether this is a new version of the Water Supply Master Plan (WSMP) 2050 or part of WSMP 2040, normal demand model, and affordable rates.



Kirsten Struve was available to answer questions.

The Water Conservation and Demand Management Committee took no action.

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

Committee Chair Director Nai Hsueh and Kirsten Struve reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda items.

September agenda items:

-  Water Conservation Programs and Pilots
-  Water Conservation Programs Available for Renters in Santa Clara County

The next meeting will be September 25, 2023, 11:00 a.m.

The Water Conservation and Demand Management Committee took no action.

5. CLERK REVIEW AND CLARIFICATION OF COMMITTEE'S REQUESTS

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

6. ADJOURNMENT

Committee Chair Director Nai Hsueh adjourned at 12:57 p.m.

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

Approved: 9-25-2023