



WATER CONSERVATION AND DEMAND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2022

A special meeting of the Water Conservation and Demand Management Committee was held on September 28, 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 10:02 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, Roseryn Bhudsabourg, Neeta Bijoor, Glenna Brambill, Justin Burks, Vanessa De La Piedra, Phil Dolan, Anthony Fulcher, Paola Giles, Vincent Gin, Samantha Greene, Jason Gurdak, Cindy Kao, Matt Keller, Candice Kwok-Smith, Jessica Lovering, Carlos Orellana, Angus Parton, Colin Resch, Don Rocha, Mary Samar, Ashley Shannon, Kirsten Struve, Sherilyn Tran, Gregory Williams, and Jing Wu.

Guest Agencies in attendance were: Brian Boyer (Cinnabar Hills Golf Club), Katja Irvin (Sierra Club Loma Prieta Chapter), and Julia Schmitt (Brown and Caldwell),

Public in attendance were: Gladwyn d'Souza, Rebecca Eisenberg, Arthur M. Keller, Ph.D., Julia Nussbaum, Annie Yang and Greg.

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 August 29, 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

Neeta Bijoor reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda items.

The Water Conservation and Demand Management Committee discussed the following: comments on how the trends are looking good and thanks to all, pump contractors, State Water Board resources, data usage regarding enforcement and outreach targeting, county-wide savings communication, concerns with cumulative savings/indicators vs month-to-month, water conservation messaging, and retailers' information.

Jason Gurdak Justin Burks, and Kirsten Struve were available to answer questions.

Public Comments:

Rebecca Eisenberg had questions on retailers' water use data (residential vs commercial, indoor vs outdoor, and renters vs owners) and metering.

Dr. Arthur Keller noted that El Nina predicted drought conditions continuing (January through March 2023) and the installation of meters (experimenting with the use of single water meters to detect leaks).

Gladwyn d'Souza commented on the use of smart meters as a way of finding discrepancies regarding the ban.

The Water Conservation and Demand Management Committee took no action.

4.2 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.

4.3 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 and Glenna Brambill reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda items.

The October Agenda Items captured and could change:

1. Drought
2. Valley Water Data needs
3. Homeowner Water Data needs – AMI and other tools

4. Standing Items

The Committee's next scheduled meeting is Monday, October 24, 2022, 11:00 a.m.

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 10:42 a.m., to the next scheduled meeting.

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

Approved: 10-24-2022