

**MINUTES OF THE FORMAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING  
JULY 25, 2019**

**ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL**

Chair Hilliker called the Administrative and Finance Committee meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. Committee members present were Chair Hilliker, Vice Chairs Ayala and Leonard, and Directors Cate, Evans, Katz, Murtland, Saxod, Smith, Udrys, Watkins, and Wilson. Committee members absent were Directors Boyle, Croucher, and Simpson. Also present were Directors Arant, Bebee, Fong-Sakai, Guerin, Hall, Hogan, Madaffer, Masson, and Steiner. At that time, there was a quorum of the Board and the meeting was conducted as a meeting of the Board; however, only committee members participated in the vote.

Staff present was Acting General Manager Kerl, General Counsel Hattam, Assistant General Manager Denham, Director of Finance/Treasurer Harris, Director of Administrative Services Foster, Rate and Debt Manager Rossum, Budget and Treasury Manager Whyte, Controller Woidzik, Director of Operations and Maintenance Fisher, Engineer Technician II Sanchez, Bill Dennehy, Chandler Asset Management Executive Vice President, and Mia Corral, Chandler Asset Management SVP Relationship Manager.

**ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**

There were no additions to the agenda.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no members of the public who wished to speak.

**CHAIR'S REPORT**

Chair Hilliker informed board members that they would receive new access badges that included their photo as part of efforts to enhance security. Board members were expected to wear the badges when in Kearny Mesa and Escondido facilities. Board members were notified to contact the Clerk of the Board if a new photo was required.

**DIRECTORS' COMMENTS**

There were no Directors' comments.

**I. CONSENT CALENDAR**

1. Monthly Treasurer's Report on Investments and Cash Flow.  
Staff recommendation: Note and file the Treasurer's report.

Director Evans moved, Director Cate seconded, and the motion to approve staffs' recommendation passed unanimously.

## **II. ACTION/DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION**

### **1. Investment Manager's Performance Report.**

Ms. Harris provided an overview of portfolio objectives and introduced Bill Dennehy with Chandler Asset Management. Mr. Dennehy introduced his colleague Mia Corral to the board. He presented the Investment Report for the fourth quarter of FY2019, which included an economic update with information and factors leading to potential fed rate reduction.

### **2. Employee Growth and Development Program update.**

Mr. Fisher provided an overview of the program and introduced the program coordinator Ms. Sanchez. Ms. Sanchez explained that one of her goals in the program was to provide a presentation on the program to the Board of Directors. She presented the program origin, second year program activities, and a plan for the program moving forward.

Directors asked questions and staff provided answers.

Directors made comments and congratulated staff on accomplishments of the Employee Growth and Development Program. Ms. Kerl commended Ms. Sanchez for her work as program coordinator during her term.

## **III. INFORMATION**

The following information items were received and filed:

1. Controller's Report on Monthly Financial Activity.
2. Board Calendar.

## **IV. CLOSED SESSION**

There were no closed session items.

## **V. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Administrative and Finance Committee, Chair Hilliker adjourned the meeting at 9:23 a.m.

## **ENGINEERING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE**

### **CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL**

Vice Chair Watkins called the Engineering and Operations Committee meeting to order at 9:34 a.m. Committee members present were Vice Chairs Fong-Sakai and Watkins, and Directors Arant, Bebee, Murtland, Scalzitti\*, Smith, Steiner, and Udrys. Committee members absent were Chair Miller, and Directors Hedberg, Heinrichs, Mosca, Preciado, and Simpson. Also present were Directors Barnum, Butkiewicz, Cate, Cherashore, Evans, Guerin, Hall, Hilliker, Katz, Leonard, Madaffer, Masson, and Wilson. At that time, there was a quorum of the Board, and the meeting was conducted as a meeting of the Board; however, only committee members participated in the vote.

Staff present was Acting General Manager Kerl, General Counsel Hattam, Assistant General Manager Denham, Director of Operations and Maintenance Fisher, Director of Engineering Reed, Deputy Director of Engineering Bousquet, Principal Engineer Fountain, Senior Construction Manager Olvera, and Senior Engineer Whitaker.

#### **ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**

There were no additions to the agenda.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no members of the public who wished to speak.

#### **DIRECTORS' COMMENTS**

There were no Directors' comments.

#### **CHAIR'S REPORT**

Vice Chair Watkins announced that Senior Maintenance Technician Bobby Bond, from the Operations and Maintenance Department, had won first place in the overall equipment operator competition at the American Public Works Association (APWA) Annual Training & Equipment Show in Bonita on July 11, 2019, for the third straight year. He added that the local chapter of APWA would sponsor Mr. Bond to compete in the 2019 National APWA ROADEO at the National APWA Convention and ROADEO in Seattle in September 2019.

Vice Chair Watkins reminded the Committee that on September 12, 2019 the Board was invited to attend an Engineering & Operations Committee meeting that included a tour of two projects in construction, and one project that in operation. The projects in construction would include the Northern First Aqueduct Rehabilitation project and the Vallecitos Water District 11 / Vista Irrigation District 12 Flow Control Facility project. He added the tour would also include the Lake Hodges Pumped Storage Facility which was in operation. RSVP's were due September 4, 2019.

#### **I. CONSENT CALENDAR**

There were no Consent Calendar items.

#### **II. ACTION/DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION**

1. Contract with J.F. Shea Construction, Inc. for the San Diego 28 Flow Control Facility project.  
Staff recommendation: Authorize the General Manager to award a contract to J.F. Shea Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$9,731,000 for the San Diego 28 Flow Control Facility project.

Mr. Fountain presented on the Construction Contract for the San Diego 28 Flow Control Facility. He reviewed the August 2018 bid results, packages and bid summaries, and concluded with staffs' recommendation to award the construction contract.

Director Smith moved, Director Fong-Sakai seconded, and the motion to approve staffs' recommendation passed unanimously.

\* Director Scalzitti arrived at 9:44 a.m.

2. Notice of Completion for the Pipeline 5 Relining Delivery Point to Sage Road project.

Staff recommendation: Authorize the General Manager to accept the Pipeline 5 Relining Delivery Point to Sage Road project as complete, record the Notice of Completion, and release all funds held in retention to J.F. Shea Construction, Inc., following the expiration of Notice of Completion period.

Mr. Olvera presented an update on the Pipeline 5 Delivery Point to Sage Road project, including a project overview of the Northern and Southern sections. He continued with project savings and value engineering and concluded with a contract summary.

Director Fong-Sakai moved, Director Steiner seconded, and the motion to approve staffs' recommendation passed unanimously.

**III. INFORMATION**

The following Information item was received and filed:

1. Advertisement for bids for Rejection Tower Delaminated Coating Removal.

**IV. CLOSED SESSION**

There were no Closed Session items.

**V. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Engineering and Operations Committee, Vice Chair Watkins adjourned the meeting at 9:54 a.m.

**IMPORTED WATER COMMITTEE**  
**CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL**

Vice Chair Cherashore called the Imported Water Committee meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. Committee members present were Vice Chairs Barnum\* and Cherashore, and Directors Evans, Fong-Sakai, Guerin, Hall, Hogan, Madaffer, Masson, Preciado\*, Saxod, and Scalzitti. Committee members absent were Chair Lewinger and Director Morrison. Also present were Directors Arant, Bebee, Butkiewicz, Cate, Croucher, Heinrichs, Hilliker, Katz, Leonard, Murtland, Smith, Steiner, Udryns, Watkins, Wilson, and MWD Delegate Goldberg. At that time, there was a quorum of the Board and the meeting was conducted as a meeting of the Board; however, only committee members participated in the vote.

Staff present was Acting General Manager Kerl, General Counsel Hattam, Assistant General Manager Denham, MWD Program Director Chen, and Colorado River Program Director Rodgers.

## **ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**

Vice Chair Cherashore announced item II-1-C, Metropolitan Water District's Emergency Storage update, would be deferred to the August 22, 2019 Board meeting.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no members of the public who wished to speak.

## **CHAIR'S REPORT**

Vice Chair Cherashore briefed the board on items related to the Bureau of Reclamation's updated Colorado River shortage projections and State Water Project.

## **DIRECTORS' COMMENTS**

There were no Directors' comments.

### **I. CONSENT CALENDAR**

There were no Consent Calendar items.

### **II. ACTION/DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION**

1. MWD Issues and Activities Update.
  - 1-A Metropolitan Water District Delegates Report.

The Delegates reported on discussion and action taken at recent MWD Board meetings.

- 1-B Bay Delta Policy Update.

Staff recommendation: Adopt the proposed update to the Water Authority's 2018 Bay Delta position statement and policy principle to support Governor Newsom's portfolio approach to meet California's water needs, including a single-tunnel Bay Delta project and integrated multi-benefit solutions.

Ms. Chen presented on staff's recommended updated Bay Delta Policy Principles, and a position statement in support of Governor Newsom's executive order.

Staff responded to questions and comments posed by the Board.

Director Hogan moved, Director Masson seconded and the motion to approve staffs' recommendation passed, with Director Fong-Sakai abstaining from the vote.

\* Vice Chair Barnum arrived at 10:28 a.m.

2. Colorado River Programs.
  - 2-A Professional Services Contract with Black & Veatch Corporation for the Regional Conveyance System Study.

Staff recommendation: Authorize the General Manager to award a professional services contract to Black & Veatch Corporation to provide professional services to implement the Scope of Work for the Regional Conveyance System Study for a not-to-exceed amount of \$1,890,000.

Director Smith recused himself from the item.

Ms. Rodgers presented on the Regional Conveyance System Study. She reviewed background information and explained that the new study was a regional approach. She also reviewed the professional services contract for Black and Veatch Corporation, three proposed alignments, key scope of work items, and staffs' recommendation.

Staff responded to questions and comments posed by the Board.

\* Director Preciado arrived at 10:52 a.m.

Director Hogan moved, Director Madaffer seconded, and the motion to approve staffs' recommendation passed unanimously, with Director Scalzitti voting no.

### **III. INFORMATION**

The following Information item was received and filed:

1. Metropolitan Water District Program Report.

### **IV. CLOSED SESSION**

Mr. Hattam took the committee into Closed Session at 11:00 a.m.

1. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation  
Government Code §54956.9(d)(1)  
SDCWA v. Metropolitan Water District of Southern California;  
San Francisco Superior Court Case Nos. CPF-10-510830; CPF-12-512466; CPF-14-514004; CPF-16-515282; CPF-16-515391; CGC-17-563350; CPF-18-516389; California Court of Appeal (1<sup>st</sup> District) Case Nos. A146901; A148266; A154325; California Supreme Court Nos. S243500; and S251025
2. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation  
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Food & Water Watch and Center for Food Safety v. Metropolitan Water District of Southern California and All Persons Interested in the Matter; Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC 720692; California Court of Appeal (2<sup>nd</sup> District) Case No. B297553

Mr. Hattam brought the committee out of Closed Session at 12:49 p.m. and stated there was no reportable action.

**V. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Imported Water Committee, Vice Chair Cherashore adjourned the meeting at 12:50 p.m.

**WATER PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE**  
**CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

Vice Chair Wilson called the Water Planning and Environmental Committee meeting to order at 1:35 p.m. Committee members present were Vice Chair Wilson, Directors Arant\*, Ayala, Barnum, Bebee, Butkiewicz, Cate, Hogan, Morrison\*, and Supervisor Desmond. Committee members absent were Chair Heinrichs, Vice Chair Boyle, and Directors Hedberg, Kennedy, and Lewinger. Also present were Directors Cherashore, Evans, Fong-Sakai, Hall, Hilliker, Katz, Leonard, Masson, Murtland, Preciado, Saxod, Steiner, Udry, and Watkins. At that time, there was a quorum of the Board, and the meeting was conducted as a meeting of the Board; however, only committee members participated in the vote.

Staff present was Acting General Manager Kerl, General Counsel Hattam, Assistant General Manager Denham, Director of Water Resources Gage, Director of Public Outreach and Conservation Vedder, Water Resources Managers Crutchfield and Lovsted, Principal Water Resources Specialists Dobalian, Stadler, and Stephenson, and Senior Water Resources Specialists Herbon and Rubalcava.

**ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

There were no additions to the agenda.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no members of the public who wished to speak.

**CHAIR'S REPORT**

Vice Chair Wilson welcomed everyone in attendance.

**DIRECTORS' COMMENTS**

There were no Directors' comments.

**I. CONSENT CALENDAR**

There were no Consent Calendar items.

**II. ACTION/DISCUSSION/PRESENTATIONS**

1. Adopt 2019 San Diego Integrated Regional Water Management Plan Update.  
Staff recommendation: Adopt Resolution 2019-15 adopting the 2019 San Diego Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Plan Update.

Mr. Stadler provided a presentation that included an explanation of Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) planning, discussed IRWM planning in the San Diego region, and reviewed the 2019 IRWM Plan Update and goals.

Staff responded to questions posed by Director Steiner.

Director Cate moved, Director Barnum seconded, and the motion to approve staffs' recommendation passed unanimously.

2. Local Resources Program agreement for the Santa Margarita River Conjunctive Use Project.

Staff recommendation: Authorize the General Manager to execute a Local Resources Program agreement with the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California and Fallbrook Public Utility District for the Santa Margarita River Conjunctive Use Project.

Ms. Herbon provided a presentation that included an explanation of the Local Resources Program (LRP), and an overview of Fallbrook Public Utility District's Santa Margarita River Conjunctive Use Project. She also outlined the LRP application process and addressed anticipated next steps.

Director Cate moved, Director Barnum seconded, and the motion to approve staffs' recommendation passed unanimously. Director Bebee abstained from the vote.

3. Advocating for Accuracy and Efficiency in State Reporting Requirements.

Ms. Lovsted provided a presentation that included an overview of Assembly Bill 1668 and Senate Bill 606, details regarding stakeholder participation, agency collaboration, and coordination with state agency workgroups. She also addressed redundancies in reporting and data collection, guiding principles of reporting and data collection, proposed monthly reporting, and what was anticipated as implementation moved forward.

Staff responded to questions posed by Director Hogan.

4. Update on Implementation of Senate Bill 606 and Assembly Bill 1668.

Mr. Stephenson presented an update on the implementation of SB 606 and A B 1668. He provided background information, discussed the Department of Water Resources and State Water Resources Control Board's Urban Overview Meeting, outlined the two existing and six new stakeholder workgroups, and addressed next steps for the Water Authority.

\* Director Arant arrived at 2:08 p.m.

Staff responded to questions posed by Director Hogan.

\* Director Morrison arrived at 2:12 p.m.

5. Update to 2014 Climate Action Plan.



The presentation on item II-1-B was continued to August 22, 2019.

### **III. INFORMATION**

The following Information item was received and filed:

1. Water Resources report.

### **IV. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Water Planning and Environmental Committee, Vice Chair Wilson adjourned the meeting at 2:14 p.m.

## **LEGISLATION AND PUBLIC OUTREACH COMMITTEE** **CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

Chair Butkiewicz called the Legislation and Public Outreach Committee to order at 2:21 p.m. Committee members present were Chair Butkiewicz, Vice Chairs Hall and Katz, and Directors Cherashore, Croucher, Guerin, Hilliker, Leonard, Madaffer, Masson, Steiner, and Supervisor Desmond. Committee members absent were Directors Kennedy, Miller, and Mosca. Also present were Directors Arant, Ayala, Barnum, Bebee, Cate, Evans, Fong-Sakai, Hogan, Morrison, Murtland, Preciado, Saxod, Scalzitti, Udrys, and Wilson. At that time, there was a quorum of the Board, and the meeting was conducted as a meeting of the Board; however, only committee members participated in the vote.

Staff present was Acting General Manager Kerl, General Counsel Hattam, Assistant General Manager Denham, Director of Public Outreach and Conservation Vedder, Government Relations Manager Farrel, and Public Affairs Supervisor Lee.

### **ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**

There were no additions to the agenda.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Meena Westford of Metropolitan Water District spoke regarding Action item II-1. Integrated Outreach & Member Agency Engagement Contracts. She provided an explanation of funding and what it included, in response to page 160 of the board packet.

### **CHAIR'S REPORT**

Chair Butkiewicz informed the Board that the Water Authority hosted a Legislative Roundtable on July 15, 2019. He reported that the 17<sup>th</sup> Citizens Water Academy class had graduated on July 17, 2019 which now includes more than 700 alumni. In closing, he informed the Board that Water Authority staff would be scheduling presentations to every member agency Board or council over the following months.

### **DIRECTORS' COMMENTS**

Director Evans provided a review of upcoming events at the Water Conservation Garden.

**I. CONSENT CALENDAR**

There were no items Consent Calendar items.

**II. ACTION/DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION**

1. Integrated Outreach and Member Agency Engagement Contracts.

Staff recommendations:

- a) Authorize a professional services contract with RHR Austin Strategies, Juanita Hayes, Principal, for consulting services to the Water Authority through June 30, 2021 with total contract funding not to exceed \$258,000;
- b) Authorize a professional services contract with MPR + Strategic Communications for consulting services to the Water Authority through June 30, 2021 with total contract funding not to exceed \$144,000; and
- c) Amend a professional services contract with M Strategic Communications by \$484,000 for continued consulting services to the Water Authority through June 30, 2021 with total contract funding not to exceed \$1,540,000.

Ms. Kerl provided the board with an explanation of the plan objective and why contracts were being requested.

Director Steiner moved, Director Masson seconded, and the motion to approve staffs' recommendations passed unanimously. Supervisor Desmond recused himself.

2. Legislative issues.

2-A Washington report by Ken Carpi. (Written report only)

2-B Sacramento report.

Mr. Farrel provided a Sacramento report which included an update on status of Water Authority Sponsored bills and the state legislature calendar and deadlines.

3. Update on Brought to You by Water activities.

Mr. Lee presented an update of recent Brought to You by Water campaign activities including member agency highlights and social media activities.

**III. INFORMATION**

The following Information items were received and filed:

1. Government Relations Update.
2. Quarterly report on Public Outreach and Conservation activities.

**IV. CLOSED SESSION**

There were no Closed Session items.

**V. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Legislation and Public Outreach Committee, Chair Butkiewicz adjourned the meeting at 3:10 p.m.

**FORMAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING OF JULY 25, 2019**

1. **CALL TO ORDER** Chair Madaffer called the Formal Board of Directors' meeting to order at 3:17 p.m.
2. **SALUTE TO THE FLAG** Director Evans led the salute to the flag.
3. **ROLL CALL, DETERMINATION OF QUORUM**  
Clerk of the Board Nelson called the roll. Directors present were Arant, Ayala, Barnum, Bebee, Butkiewicz, Cate, Cherashore, Croucher, Evans, Fong-Sakai, Guerin, Hall, Hilliker, Hogan, Katz, Leonard, Madaffer, Masson, Morrison, Murtland, Preciado, Saxod, Scalzitti, Smith, Steiner, Udrys, Wilson, and Supervisor Desmond. Directors absent were Boyle, Hedberg(p), Heinrichs, Kennedy, Lewinger(p), Miller, Mosca, Watkins, and Simpson.  
  
3-A **Report on proxies received.** Director Scalzitti was the proxy for Director Hedberg, and Director Hall was the proxy for Director Lewinger.
4. **ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**  
There were no additions to the agenda.
5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**  
Director Saxod moved, Director Masson seconded, and the motion carried at 84.78% of the vote to approve the minutes of the Special Board meeting of June 11, 2019, Special Administrative and Finance Committee meetings of June 11 and June 13, 2019, and the Formal Board of Directors' meeting of June 27, 2019. Director Murtland abstained.
6. **OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO WISH TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON MATTERS WITHIN THE BOARD'S JURISDICTION.**  
There were no members of the public who wished to speak.
7. **PRESENTATIONS & PUBLIC HEARINGS**  
7-A Farmer of the Year: John Burr.  
  
Chair Madaffer introduced Mr. John Burr to the Board and spoke briefly on why he was named the 2019 Farmer of the Year by the San Diego Farmers Bureau. Mr. Burr addressed the Board and thanked everyone for the recognition.
8. **REPORTS BY CHAIRS**  
8-A Chairs report: Chair Madaffer reported on his attendance at the legislative roundtable with Senator Brian Jones on July 15, 2019 and the state portfolio tour

with California Natural Resources Secretary Wade Crowfoot on July 18, 2019. Chair Madaffer explained that the tour followed the Executive Order issued by Governor Newsom in which he directed all agencies to prepare a water resilience portfolio to meet the needs of California communities and the environment into the 21<sup>st</sup> century. He added that the event provided the Water Authority an opportunity to highlight what we have done in San Diego county. The event was attended by California Secretary for Natural Resources Wade Crowfoot, Natural Resources Deputy Secretary and Special Counsel Tom Gibson, CA State Department of Food and Agriculture Secretary Karen Ross, State Water Resources Control Chair Joaquin Esquivel, and others. He added that Ms. Nancy Vogel, Director of the Governors Water Portfolio Program, was unable to attend due to a family emergency. Chair Madaffer stated that the event included an aerial tour of the region and concluded with a discussion at the Scripps Institution of Oceanology. In closing, Chair Madaffer shared a short video of the event and thanked all staff involved in the event.

Chair Madaffer also reported on his attendance at a Southern California Water Coalition lunch panel on July 19, 2019 with staff from the City of San Diego and County of San Diego.

- 8-B Report by Committee Chairs:  
Administrative and Finance Committee. Director Hilliker reviewed the meeting and the action taken.  
Engineering and Operations Committee. Director Fong-Sakai reviewed the meeting and the action taken.  
Imported Water Committee. Director Cherashore reviewed the meeting and the action taken.  
Water Planning and Environmental Committee. Director Wilson reviewed the meeting and the action taken.  
Legislation and Public Outreach Committee. Director Butkiewicz reviewed the meeting and the action taken.

9. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Director Cherashore moved, Director Masson seconded, and the motion carried at 86.23% of the vote to approve the Consent Calendar. Directors voting no, or abstaining are listed under the item.

9- 1. Monthly Treasurer's Report on Investments and Cash Flow.

The Board noted and filed the Treasurer's report.

9- 2. Contract with J.F. Shea Construction, Inc. for the San Diego 28 Flow Control Facility project.

The Board authorized the General Manager to award a contract to J.F. Shea Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$9,731,000 for the San Diego 28 Flow Control

Facility project.

- 9- 3. Notice of Completion for the Pipeline 5 Relining Delivery Point to Sage Road project.  
The Board authorized the General Manager to accept the Pipeline 5 Relining Delivery Point to Sage Road project as complete, record the Notice of Completion, and release all funds held in retention to J.F. Shea Construction, Inc., following the expiration of Notice of Completion period.
- 9- 4. Bay Delta Policy Update.  
The Board adopted the proposed update to the Water Authority's 2018 Bay-Delta position statement and policy principles to support Governor Newsom's portfolio approach to meet California's water needs, including a single-tunnel Bay-Delta project and integrated multi-benefit solutions.
- 9- 5. Professional Services Contract with Black & Veatch Corporation for the Regional Conveyance System Study.  
The Board authorized the General Manager to award a professional services contract with Black & Veatch Corporation to provide services to implement the Scope of Work for the Regional Conveyance System Study for a not-to-exceed amount of \$1,890,000.  
  
Directors Bebee and Scalzitti voted No and Director Smith abstained. The motion carried at 74.27%
- 9- 6. Adopt 2019 San Diego Integrated Regional Water Management Plan Update.  
The Board adopted Resolution 2019-15 approving the 2019 San Diego Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Plan Update.
- 9- 7. Local Resources Program agreement for the Santa Margarita River Conjunctive Use project.  
The Board authorized the General Manger to execute a Local Resources Program agreement with the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California and Fallbrook Public Utility District for the Santa Margarita River Conjunctive Use Project.  
  
Director Bebee Abstained. The motion carried at 83.93%
- 9- 8. Integrated Outreach and Member Agency Engagement Contracts.  
The Board authorized a professional services contract with RHR Austin Strategies, Juanita Hayes, Principal, for consulting services to the Water Authority through June 30, 2021 with total contract funding not to exceed \$258,000; a professional services contract with MPR+ Strategic Communications for consulting services to the Water Authority through June 30, 2021 with total contract funding not to exceed \$144,000; and an amended professional services contract with M Strategic Communications by \$484,000 for continued consulting services to the Water Authority through June 30, 2021 with total contract funding not to exceed \$1,540,000.

10. **ACTION/DISCUSSION**

10-A Re-Establishment of the Fiscal Sustainability Task Force. – Chair Madaffer spoke briefly on the re-establishment of the Fiscal Sustainability Task Force. He stated the task force would be comprised of Director Hilliker as Chair, and Directors Cate, Hogan, Wilson, and Arant. Also on the task force would be Helix WD General Manager Carlos Lugo, Otay WD General Manager Mark Watton, City of San Diego Matt Vespi, and Olivenhain MWD General Manager Kim Thorner. He stated the purpose of the Task Force was to blend the benefits of our Board and General Managers through the region and address the topics of fiscal sustainability and fixed costs. He stated that regular updates would be provided to the Board.

10-B General Manager recruitment update. – Chair Madaffer provided a brief update to the Board on the status of the General Manager recruitment process. He announced the recruitment process had begun and would close on August 30, 2019 and he thanked Acting Human Resources Director Kite for all her hard work. He added that once the recruitment process had closed the General Manager Recruitment Workgroup would reconvene. He stated that three panels that would be formed that would include representatives of General Managers, environmental and other community organizations, and Board Members. In closing, he emphasized the priority of the process remaining open and transparent.

11. **SPECIAL REPORTS**

11-A ACTING GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT – Ms. Kerl stated she had nothing further to report.

11-B GENERAL COUNSEL’S REPORT – Mr. Hattam thanked Assistant General Counsel Gallien for her 18 years of service to the Water Authority and congratulated her on her retirement.

11-C SANDAG REPORT – Director Morrison reported on discussion and action taken at the recent SANDAG Board meeting.  
SANDAG Subcommittees:  
Borders Committee – Director Saxod reported on discussion and action taken at the recent SANDAG Borders Committee meeting.  
Regional Planning Committee – Director Leonard stated the committee had not met.

11-D AB 1234 Compliance Reports – No reports were given.

12. **CLOSED SESSION(S)**

Mr. Hattam stated no Closed Session was needed.

12-A Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation

Government Code §54956.9(d)(1)

SDCWA v. Metropolitan Water District of Southern California; San Francisco Superior Court Case Nos. CPF-10-510830; CPF-12-512466; CPF-14-514004; CPF-16-515282; CPF-16-515391; CGC-17-563350; CPF-18-516389; California Court of Appeal (1<sup>st</sup> District) Case Nos. A146901; A148266; A154325; California Supreme Court Case Nos. S243500; and S251025

12-B Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation

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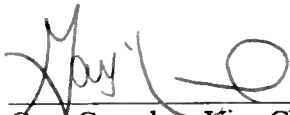
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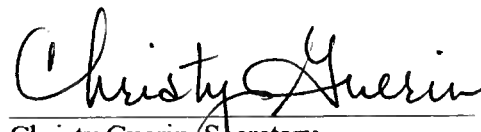
13. **ACTION FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION**

14. **OTHER COMMUNICATIONS**

15. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chair Madaffer adjourned the meeting at 3:45 p.m.

  
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Gary Croucher, Vice Chair

  
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Christy Guerin, Secretary

  
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Melinda Nelson, Clerk of the Board