1. **CALL TO ORDER** Chair Madaffer called the Board of Directors’ meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Chair Madaffer welcomed the Board to the meeting and briefly discussed logistics of the meeting.

2. **ROLL CALL, DETERMINATION OF QUORUM**

   Clerk of the Board Nelson called the roll. Directors present virtually were Chair Madaffer, Vice Chair Croucher, Secretary Guerin, and Directors Arant, Ayala, Barnum, Bebee*, Boyle, Butkiewicz, Cate, Cherashore, Evans, Fong-Sakai, Hall, Hedberg, Heidemann, Heinrichs, Hilliker, Hogan, Katz, Kennedy, Martinez*, Miller, Murtland, Mosca, Preciado, Reeh, Rios, Saxod, Scalzitti*, Smith, Steiner, Udrys, Wilson and Supervisor Desmond.

   Directors absent were Lewinger, and Simpson.

   Staff present included General Manager Kerl, Deputy General Manager Denham, General Counsel Hattam, Director of Engineering Reed, Director of Finance Harris, Director of Government Relations Farrell, Director of MWD Program Chen, Director of Public Affairs Vedder, Director of Water Resources Gage, Controller Woidzik, Administrative Services Manager Carmona, Operations and Maintenance Manager Castaing, Public Affairs Manager Lee, Water Resources Manager Lovsted, Senior Engineer Trimm, Principal Engineer Faber, Principal Water Resources Specialist Bombardier, and Clerk of the Board Nelson. Also present were Dan Cayan of Scripps Institute, and Ken Carpi and Laura Morgan-Kessler of Carpi & Clay, Inc.

   2-A  **Report on proxies received.** No proxies were received.

3. **ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

   There were no additions to the agenda.

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

   Director Wilson stated that the Minutes had reflected him as absent at the Special E&O Committee meeting of June 11, 2020 however, he was present. He requested an administrative correction be made to show him as present at the meeting.
Director Mosca moved, seconded by Director Fong-Sakai, and the motion carried at 86.027% of the vote to approve the minutes of the Special Engineering and Operations Committee meeting of June 11, 2020 as corrected, and the Formal Board of Directors’ meeting of June 25, 2020. Ms. Nelson took a roll call vote.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
Mr. John Monsen of National Parks Conservation Association spoke in opposition of the Cadiz Water Mining Projects.

6. **REPORT BY CHAIR**
Chair Madaffer announced the Water Authority had received the CAPIO Epic Award for the “Water News Network” in category of Best Website and App in the large agency category. He congratulated staff for the achievement.

Chair Madaffer reported on progress of the Regional Conveyance Study Update Phase B, including announcing postponement of the Phase B release, and concluded his report with an IRWM grant funding update.

*Directors Martinez and Scalzitti arrived at 9:10 a.m.

7. **ACTION/DISCUSSION/PRESENTATION**

7-1. Retirement of Directors:
   A. Adopt Resolution No. 2020-12 honoring Ron Morrison upon his retirement from the Board of Directors.
   B. Adopt Resolution No. 2020-13 honoring Ron Watkins upon his retirement from the Board of Directors.
   C. Adopt Resolution No. 2020-14 honoring Barry Leonard upon his retirement from the Board of Directors.

Chair Madaffer announced the adoption of Resolutions 2020-12, 2020-13, and 2020-14 honoring Directors Morrison, Watkins, and Leonard on retirement from the Water Authority Board of Directors.

Director Heinrichs moved, seconded by Director Kennedy, and the motion carried at 95.5115% of the vote to approve staffs’ recommendations. Ms. Nelson took a roll call vote.

*Director Katz left the meeting at 9:20 a.m.


Ms. Gage introduced Dr. Dan Cayan of Scripps Institute of Oceanology to provide the presentation to the Board.
Dr. Cayan provided a presentation that included climate model projections, greenhouse gas emission projections, climate impacts, climate warming, future precipitation decreases, historical precipitation and temperature graphs, global water vapor images, moisture deficit projections, Sierra snowpack figures, and a summary of climate change impacts and events.

Directors Kennedy and Heinrichs asked question and Dr. Cayan responded.

7.3 Water Authority 2019 Climate Action Plan.

Mr. Faber provided a presentation on the Water Authority’s 2019 Climate Action Plan (CAP) that included the purpose and overview of the CAP, background and history, and program goals. He reviewed Water Authority greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and targets, GHG projections, and possible future credits. He stated that staff would return to the Board in 2024 with Climate Action Plan updates.

7-4. Update on Implementation of Senate Bill 606 and Assembly Bill 1668.

Ms. Lovsted presented an update on SB606 and AB1668 that included background information, review of stakeholder workgroups, and timeline of milestones. She briefly reviewed the DWR report released June 2020 on wholesale water loss, water use studies, landscape use measurements, annual water supply and demand assessments, and the Urban Water Management Plan guidebook. She concluded with a review of inactive stakeholder workgroups, and Water Authority next steps.

Directors Smith and Wilson asked questions and staff responded.

7-5. Data Archival and Invoicing System Update.

Mr. Bombardier presented information on the new data archival and invoicing system that included project background, technological improvements and enhancements, and current system challenges. He reviewed the previously approved services contract, testing phase member agency collaboration efforts, and discussed the abilities and future of the DAIS.

Ms. Bista shared a flowchart with the Board that displayed inter-agency exchanges and billing, explained the purpose and operation of the DAIS, and shared a live demonstration of the system.

Ms. Kerl made comments on the project and stressed how critical the project was before congratulating staff. Chair Madaffer reiterated the comments made by Ms. Kerl.

Ms. Harris provided a brief summary of the transaction results of the Series 2020A and 2021A water revenue refunding bonds including the resulting ratings from Bond agencies. She discussed the unprecedented Market conditions leading up to pricing, Market interest, pricing and investor interest, overview of bond investors, maturity rates, and summarized identified savings.

Directors Smith, Cherashore, Steiner, Cate, and Heinrichs made comments and asked questions and Ms. Harris responded.

7-7. Ordinance making amendments to Chapters 1.00, 2.00, 4.00, and 7.00 of the Administrative Code.
Staff recommendation: Adopt Ordinance No. 2020-15, an ordinance of the Board of Directors of the San Diego County Water Authority making amendments to chapters 1.00, 2.00, 4.00, and 7.00 of the Administrative Code.

Mr. Hattam provided a brief summary of proposed amendments to the Administrative Code, as result of a routine administrative review, and referred the Board to the written memo included in the packet for detailed information.

Director Steiner asked a question regarding changes to bargaining units. Director of Human Resources Kite responded that the change was a language clarification and did not affect classifications or bargaining units.

Director Steiner moved, seconded by Director Cherashore, and the motion carried at 95.5115% of the vote to approve staffs’ recommendations. Ms. Nelson took a roll call vote.

Staff recommendation: Accept staff executed change orders 1 through 3 for a cost of up to $21,942 and authorize the General Manager to execute a pending change order for up to $261,000 for the differing site condition associated with a connection to an existing pipeline.

*Director Bebee arrived at 10:54 a.m.

Mr. Trimm presented an overview of San Diego 28 Flow Control Facility change orders which included a review change order history and signature authority, project map, pipe connection point locations, and differing site conditions. He concluded with total contract amounts, pending change order amounts, and reviewed the staff recommendation.

Director Ayala moved, seconded by Director Steiner, and the motion carried at 97.7865% of the vote to approve staffs’ recommendations. Ms. Nelson took a roll call vote.

Mr. Woidzik began the presentation with a review of CAFR training objectives, purpose of the CAFR, and introduced Ms. Jennifer Farr of David Farr to continue the presentation to the Board.

Ms. Farr stated that the CAFR was comprised of three sections and she continued with an overview of the Financial section which included the Auditors Opinion, and financial statements.

Mr. Woidzik continued with a brief review of the remaining two sections of the CAFR: Introductory section, and the Statistical section. He concluded with an announcement that the Water Authority had been awarded the Certificate of Achievement Award for Excellence in Financial Reporting.

7-10. Innovation Program Update.

Ms. Carmona presented a brief overview of the Innovation Program including program goals, 2019 Bright Ideas Program award recipients and implemented ideas, external outreach efforts, external relationship building and partnerships, COVID-19 response, and program next-steps.

Directors Butkiewicz asked a question and Ms. Carmona responded.

Ms. Kerl commented with a congratulations to Ms. Carmona on her promotion to Administrative Services Manager.


Mr. Castaing provided a presentation on the Annual Aqueduct Operating Plan for FY 2021 that included background, goals and focus areas, FY 2020 projected demand vs. MWD deliveries for treated & untreated water, 2021 treated & untreated water delivery projections, aqueduct shutdowns & scheduled outages, member agency scheduled shutdowns, FY 2020 energy production, reservoir & regional storage, and asset management activities. He concluded with a review of the schedule for next steps.

Director Steiner and Chair Madaffer made comments.


Mr. Carpi provided a Washington report which included updates related to issues of interest of the Water Authority.
Ms. Morgan-Kessler continued with additional information on legislation and legislative activities of interest to the Water Authority. She concluded with a review of potential upcoming COVID relief funding.


Mr. Farrell provided a report on legislative activities in Sacramento and reviewed issues of interest to the Water Authority.

Directors Hilliker, Butkiewicz, and Hall made comments and asked questions and Mr. Farrell responded.


Mr. Lee presented an overview of the Hispanic outreach pilot program including a demographic review, national survey results, and shared a short video with the Board.

Ms. Vedder concluded the presentation with a review of partnerships and next steps.

Directors Martinez, Steiner, Butkiewicz, Rios, and Preciado made comments in support of the program.

8. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Chair Madaffer announced that due to the level of activity, and emerging information regarding long-duration energy storage legislation, and the uncertain status of the 2020 legislative session at this time, he had removed Consent Calendar Item 8.5 from the agenda. He stated staff would provide an update on AB 1720 during the Sacramento report, and the item would possibly return to the Board at the August Board meeting.

Director Wilson moved, seconded by Director Ayala, and the motion carried at 96.3695% of the vote to approve the Consent Calendar items 8-1 through 8-4. Ms. Nelson took a roll call vote. Directors voting no, or abstaining are listed under the item.

8-1. **Monthly Treasurer’s Report on Investments and Cash Flow.**

The Board noted and filed the Treasurer’s report.

8-2. **A Resolution setting the time and date for a Public Hearing to consider amendments to the San Diego County Water Authority Local Conflict of Interest Code.**

The Board adopted Resolution No. 2020-15 setting the August regular meeting of the Board of Directors as the time and date of a public hearing to consider amendments to the San Diego County Water Authority Local Conflict of Interest Code.
8-3. Professional services contract with AECOM Technical Services, Inc. for design and engineering support services for the San Luis Rey Habitat Management Area Restoration and Dulin Hill Erosion Repair projects.
The Board authorized the General Manager to award a professional services contract to AECOM Technical Services, Inc. for a not-to-exceed amount of $465,069 to provide design and engineering support services for the San Luis Rey Habitat Management Area Restoration and Dulin Hill Erosion Repair projects.

Director Fong-Sakai Recused on 8-3.

8-4. Amend agreement for Consulting Services with ChezKK Consulting LLC.
The Board approved to Amend the agreement with ChezKK Consulting for continued consulting services to the Water Authority through August 31, 2022 by $156,000, for a period of twenty-four additional months with total contract funding not to exceed $304,400.

Director Bebee Abstained on 8-4. Item passed at 94.0945% of the vote.

Consent Calendar item 8.5 was removed. Item passed at 94.0945% of the vote.

8.5 Adopt positions of various state bills:
Staff recommendation:
Adopt a position of Support if Amended on AB 1720 (Carrillo), relating to bulk energy storage procurement.

The following Information items were received and filed:

9. INFORMATION
9-B Board Calendar.
9-C Metropolitan Water District Delegates Report.
9-D Government Relations Update.

10. SPECIAL REPORTS
10-A GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT – Ms. Kerl stated she had nothing further to report.
10-B GENERAL COUNSEL’S REPORT – Mr. Hattam stated he had nothing further to report.
10-C SANDAG REPORT – No report was given.
   SANDAG Subcommittees: Borders Committee – Director Saxod reported on discussion and action taken at meetings on June 26, 2020 and July 17, 2020.
   Regional Planning Committee – No report was given.
10-D AB 1234 Compliance Reports – No reports were given.

11. CLOSED SESSION(S)
Mr. Hattam took the Committee into Closed Session on items 11-A and 11-B at 12:04 p.m.
11-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 (1st District) Case Nos. A146901; A148266; A154325; California Supreme
Court Case Nos. S243500; and S251025

11-B  Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation
Government Code §54956.9(d)(1)
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 (2nd District) Case No.
B297553

11-C  Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
Government Code §54956.9(d)(2)
One Case (claim available for public inspection pursuant to Government Code
§54957.50

12.   **ACTION FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION**
Mr. Hattam brought the Board out of Closed Session at 12:50 p.m. and stated there was
no action to report.

13.   **OTHER COMMUNICATIONS**

14.   **ADJOURNMENT**
There being no further business to come before the Board, Chair Madaffer adjourned the
meeting at 12:50 p.m.

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Jim Madaffer, Chair        Christy Guerin, Secretary

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Melinda Nelson, Clerk of the Board