REGULAR BOARD MEETING

of the

WEST VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

May 1, 2025

OPENING CEREMONIES

Call to Order – 6:02 p.m. Roll Call of Board Members

Attendee Name	Present	Absent	Arrived
Directors			
Angela Garcia	\square		
Estevan Bennett	\square		
Kelvin Moore	\square		
Daniel Jenkins	\square		
Gregory Young		$\overline{\checkmark}$	
General Counsel			
Jeff Ferre	\square		
Staff			
John Thiel	\square		
Linda Jadeski	☑		
Haydee Sainz	\square		
Joanne Chan	\square		
Elvia Dominguez	\square		
Socorro Pantaleon	\square		
Rocky Welborn	\square		
Gustavo Gutierrez	\square		
Albert Clinger	\square		
Isabelle Medina			

Approval of Any Board Member Requests for Remote Participation - None. Pledge of Allegiance – The Pledge of Allegiance was led by NJROTC Commander. Opening Prayer –Pastor Townsend.

ADOPT AGENDA

A request was received to reorder the agenda placing the presentations before Closed Session.

Motion to adopt the amended agenda, to reorder the agenda placing the presentations before Closed Session.

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RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Angela Garcia SECONDER: Kelvin Moore

AYES: Angela Garcia, Estevan Bennett, Daniel Jenkins, Kelvin Moore

ABSENT: Gregory Young

PRESENTATIONS

1. Bloomington High School NJROTC

Presentation was given by NJROTC Commandar CDR Ken Monfore, USN (retired) and NJROTC students. The Board collectively thanked the NJROTC for their work and collaboration.

The Board recessed at 6:28 pm to take photos with the presenters, and reconvened at 6:33 pm.

2. Claremont McKenna College Presentation - Data Science Capstone: Mainline Maintenance Prioritization Analysis

The presentation was given by Claremont McKenna College Students Brenna Bell, Ainslee Archibald, Stephanie Espinoza, and Justin Son.

Questions included how the rating identified critical areas, and possible fixes to mitigate risk of failure.

The Board thanked the students for their insightful presentation.

The Board recessed at 7:00 pm pm to take photos with the presenters and reconvened at 7:07 pm.

CLOSED SESSION

Public Participation on closed session matters.

Vice President Jenkins inquired if anyone from the public would like to speak on closed session items. No requests were received to speak, therefore Vice President Jenkins closed the public comment period

The Board entered into closed session at 7:08 p.m.

- 1. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE 54957(B) (1) Title: Chief Financial Officer
- 2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-EXISTING LITIGATION Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9 Name of case: Naseem Farooqi v. West Valley Water District et al.

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The Board adjourned the closed session at 7:45 p.m. to conduct the business portion of the meeting which commenced at 7:47 p.m. with all Board members present.

Report out of Closed Session

General Counsel Ferre reported that the Board discussed the closed session items and no reportable action was taken.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Vice President Jenkins inquired if anyone from the public would like to speak on closed session items. No requests were received to speak, therefore Vice President Jenkins closed the public comment period.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion to approve Consent Calendar item #1 - #9.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Kelvin Moore SECONDER: Estevan Bennett

AYES: Angela Garcia, Estevan Bennett, Daniel Jenkins, Kelvin Moore

ABSENT: Gregory Young

- 1. April 17, 2025 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- 2. Change Order No. 8 with PCL Construction Inc. for the Oliver P. Roemer Water Filtration Facility Upgrade and Expansion Project
- 3. Approval of the Employment Agreement for Chief Financial Officer
- 4. Approve Contract for Wrought Iron Fence Topper and Gates at Zone 6 Reservoir Complex
- 5. Purchase Order Report March 2025
- 6. Treasurer's Report February 2025
- 7. Monthly Revenue and Expenditures Report March 2025
- 8. Monthly Cash Disbursements Report March 2025
- 9. Funds Transfer Report March 2025

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BUSINESS MATTERS

1. Adopt Ordinance No. 90 Titled - An Ordinance of the Board of Directors of the West Valley Water District Instituting a Cross-Connection Control Program to Protect the Public Water

Presentation was given by Director of Operations Chan.

There was no discussion on this item.

Motion to adopt Ordinance No. 90 Titled - An Ordinance of the Board of Directors of the West Valley Water District Instituting a Cross-Connection Control Program to Protect the Public Water.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Kelvin Moore SECONDER: Estevan Bennett

AYES: Angela Garcia, Estevan Bennett, Daniel Jenkins, Kelvin Moore

ABSENT: Gregory Young

2. Discussion of CSDA Legislative Days and Options for Legislative Advocacy Meetings

Presentation was given by Manager of Public Outreach and Government Affairs Pantaleon.

Discussion included Director Bennett and Director Moore attending CSDA Legislative Days, and the desire to have a separate legislative trip in June with Vice President Jenkins and Director Garcia to attend.

REPORTS - LIMITED TO 5 MINUTES MAXIMUM (Presentations or handouts must be provided to Board Members in advance of the Board Meeting).

1. Board Committee Reports

Director Bennett gave an Engineering, Operations, and Planning Committee update.

Director Garcia gave an External Affairs Committee update

3. Board Members

Director Garcia reported on her attendance at the CSDA Leadership Academy, Earth Day, Scouting FBR tour event, and IEWorks Board meeting.

Director Bennett also reported on his attendance at the CSDA Leadership Academy, and Rialto Unified School District Ritz event.

Director Moore reported on his attendance at the Cucamonga Water Front Country facilities tour, Earth Day, Rialto Unified School District Ritz event.

Vice President Jenkins reported on his attendance at the Cucamonga Water Front Country facilities tour, and Earth Day.

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3. General Manager

General Manager Thiel provided an update on recruitment and reported on his initiative to build a process for requesting additional staff or resources.

4. Legal Counsel

None.

5. Government & Legislative Affairs

Manager of Public Outreach and Government Affairs Pantaleon and Public Outreach and Government Affairs Representative Medina gave a legislative, community partnership, and a community outreach update.

6. Board Secretary

Board Secretary Dominguez provided an update on upcoming Board meetings and events. Direction was given to move the June 19th meeting to the 26th and reschedule the Engineering, Operations and Planning Committee to the 25th.

Director Bennett, requested the Board approve his attendance at a youth organization fund raising event.

Attorney Ferre, clarified that the events attended where Board members represent the District should have a nexus to water or our service. Discussion included clarification that Director Bennett should consider returning with a request after there is an established relationship and nexus to water.

ADJOURN

Vice President Jenkins wished his sister a happy birthday and adjourned the meeting at 8:26 p.m.

ATTEST:

Elvia Dominguez, Board Secretary

Elira Dominguez

Minutes were approved on June 5, 2025 by the Board of Directors of the West Valley Water District.

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