

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
of the
WEST VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
February 5, 2026

OPENING CEREMONIES

Call to Order – 6:01 p.m.
Roll Call of Board Members

Attendee Name	Present	Absent	Arrived
Directors			
Estevan Bennett	☒	☐	
Angela Garcia	☒	☐	
Daniel Jenkins	☒	☐	
Kelvin Moore	☒	☐	
Gregory Young	☒	☐	6:10 p.m. by Zoom
General Counsel			
Jeff Ferre	☒	☐	
Staff			
John Thiel	☒	☐	
Linda Jadeski	☒	☐	
Jose Velasquez	☒	☐	
Haydee Sainz	☒	☐	
Joanne Chan	☐	☒	
Kara Johnson	☒	☐	
Socorro Pantaleon	☒	☐	
Rocky Welborn	☒	☐	
Albert Clinger	☒	☐	

Approval of Any Board Member Requests for Remote Participation – Yes.
Pledge of Allegiance – The Pledge of Allegiance was lead by Vice President Garcia.
Opening Prayer – The Invocation was offered by Elder Vernall Townsend.

CLOSED SESSION

1. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS
Government Code Section 54956.8
Property: APNs 0264-012-48 and 58
Agency Negotiator: Linda Jadeski, Assistant General Manager
Negotiation parties: Lytle Creek Land & Resources and Lytle Development Company

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Under negotiation: price and terms of payment

President Moore inquired if anyone from the public would like to speak on Closed Session items. No requests were received to speak, therefore President Moore closed the public comment period.

The Board entered into closed session at 6:04 p.m.

The Board adjourned the closed session at 6:10 p.m. due to Director Young joining by Zoom.

Approval of Any Board Members Requests for Remote Participation

General Counsel Ferre provided clarification as to why Director Young was able to join the Board Meeting, including the closed session, due to sickness.

The Board re-entered into closed session at 6:12 p.m.

The Board adjourned the closed session at 6:37 p.m. to conduct the business portion of the meeting which commenced at 6:37 p.m. with all Board members present.

Report out on Closed Session

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

ADOPT AGENDA

Motion to adopt the agenda.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [5-0]
MOVER:	Daniel Jenkins
SECONDER:	Angela Garcia
AYES:	Estevan Bennett, Angela Garcia, Daniel Jenkins, Kelvin Moore, Greg Young

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

President Moore inquired if anyone from the public would like to speak. No requests were received, therefore President Moore closed the public comment period.

PRESENTATIONS

1. Strategic Plan – Work Plan Goals Update

General Manger Thiel gave the presentation, fielded questions from the Board, and provided update on the status of the Strategic Plan Work Plan Goals 2025 Year-End Assessment.

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CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion to adopt Consent Calendar items #1 thru #8.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [5-0]
MOVER:	Angela Garcia
SECONDER:	Daniel Jenkins
AYES:	Estevan Bennett, Angela Garcia, Daniel Jenkins, Kelvin Moore, Greg Young

1. Minutes for the December 18, 2025, December 4, 2025, November 20, 2025, Regular Board Meetings, and January 13, 2026, and November 20 2025, Special Board Meeting Minutes
2. Change Order No. 2 with Merlin Johnson Construction Inc. for the Zone 7 - 18-Inch Transmission Main Crossing Ontario I-15 Freeway Project
3. Water System Infrastructure Installation and Conveyance Agreement with CHIPT Bloomington DC, L.P. ("CHIPT") for the Bloomington, Cactus DC Slover - Waterline Relocation for Services to 19275 S. Slover Avenue
4. Professional Services Agreement with Harper & Associates Engineering, Inc. for Repairs to Reservoirs 4-1 and 4-2
5. Purchase Order Report – December 2025
6. Monthly Revenue and Expenditures Report - December 2025
7. Monthly Cash Disbursements Report - December 2025
8. Treasurer's Report – December 2025

BUSINESS MATTERS

1. Proposed New Position – Senior Accountant

Human Resources and Risk Manager Sainz provided the report and gave an updated change to the proposed position, of changing from non-exempt to exempt. Provided a handout with the change.

Motion to adopt the creation of a full-time Senior Accountant position, adopt the proposed salary range for the new position as outlined in the updated salary schedule, and approve a budget adjustment of to fund the new accounting position.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [5-0]
MOVER:	Daniel Jenkins
SECONDER:	Estevan Bennett
AYES:	Estevan Bennett, Angela Garcia, Daniel Jenkins, Kelvin Moore, Greg Young

2. 2026 Fontana State of the City Sponsorship

Manager of Public Outreach and Government Affairs Socorro Pantaleon provided the report and then fielded questions from the Board.

Motion to provide Diamond Level sponsorship to not exceed \$5,000.00 in value with a joint of monetary and water sponsorship.

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SECONDER:	Daniel Jenkins
AYES:	Estevan Bennett, Angela Garcia, Daniel Jenkins, Kelvin Moore, Greg Young

3. 2026 Legislative Principles

Manager of Public Outreach and Government Affairs Socorro Pantaleon gave the report and update to the 2026 Legislative Principles.

Motion to approve and adopt 2026 Legislative Principles.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [5-0]
MOVER:	Daniel Jenkins
SECONDER:	Angela Garcia
AYES:	Estevan Bennett, Angela Garcia, Daniel Jenkins, Kelvin Moore, Greg Young

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 Jenkins reported on the Finance Committee, Safety & Technology Committee, and Policy Review & Oversight Committee.

Director Bennett reported on the Human Resources Committee.

2. Board Members

Vice President Garcia reported on the meeting with the Fontana Unified School District regarding a new education program.

Director Bennett reported on attending CMUA 2026 Annual Capital Day.

President Moore also reported on attending CMUA 2026 Annual Capital Day.

3. General Manager

General Manager Thiel provided updates on recruitment, employee of the month, and quarterly board reports.

4. Legal Counsel

General Council Jeff Ferre gave an update on current possible legislation regarding the Public Records Act.

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5. Public Outreach Government Affairs

Manager of Public Outreach and Government Affairs Pantaleon thanked the Board and her team for their support which allowed them to receive the ACWA awards and provided an upcoming events update.

6. Board Secretary

Acting Board Secretary Johnson brought up the conflict of attending the state of city for Fontana could conflict with the scheduled board meeting that night. It was decided by the Board of Directors to cancel the board meeting on February 19, 2026.

ADJOURN

President Moore adjourned the meeting 7:50 p.m.

ATTEST:



Kara Johnson, Acting Board Secretary

Minutes were approved on March 5, 2026. by the Board of Directors of the West Valley Water District.

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