REGULAR BOARD MEETING

of the

WEST VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

May 21, 2026

OPENING CEREMONIES

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

Attendee Name	Present	Absent	Arrived
Directors			
Kelvin Moore	☐	☑	
Angela Garcia	☐	☑	
Estevan Bennett	☑	☐	
Daniel Jenkins	☑	☐	
Gregory Young	☑	☐	
General Counsel			
Henry Castillo	☑	☐	
Staff			
John Thiel	☑	☐	
Linda Jadeski	☑	☐	
Jose Velasquez	☐	☑	
Joanne Chan	☑	☑	
Rocky Welborn	☑	☐	
Haydee Sainz	☑	☐	
Kara Johnson	☑	☐	
Socorro Pantaleon	☑	☐	
Robert Ramirez	☑	☐	
Elva Vizcaino	☑	☐	
Laine Carlson, Water Systems Consulting, Inc.	☑	☐	

Approval of Any Board Member Requests for Remote Participation – None.
Pledge of Allegiance – The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Director Jenkins.
Opening Prayer – The Invocation was offered by Pastor Vernall Townsend.

ADOPT AGENDA

Business Items #1 thru #3 moved before Closed Session due to time constraints. Business Item #6 pulled from the Agenda to be heard at a later date.

Motion to adopt the agenda as amended.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [3-0-2]**
MOVER:	Daniel Jenkins
SECONDER:	Estevan Bennett
AYES:	Estevan Bennett, Daniel Jenkins, Gregory Young
ABSENT:	Kelvin Moore, Angela Garcia

CLOSED SESSION

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – NEGOTIATIONS WITH NON-REPRESENTED POSITION, BOARD SECRETARY
   PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE 54957(b)(1)
   Title: Board Secretary

2. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS –
   Pursuant to Government Code Section 5495.6
   Agency Designated Representatives: John Thiel, General Manager; Haydee Sainz, Human Resources Manager
   Employee Groups: International Union of Operators Engineers, Local 12

Due to time constraints, item was moved to after Public Participation on the Agenda.

Director Young inquired if anyone from the public would like to speak on the Closed Session item. No requests were received to speak, therefore Director Young closed the public comment period.

The Board entered into closed session at 6:26 p.m.

The Board adjourned from closed session at 6:57 p.m. to conduct the business portion of the meeting which commenced at 6:57 p.m. with all Board Members present.

Report out on Closed Session

General Counsel Castillo stated that there was no reportable action.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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

PRESENTATIONS

None.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Minutes for the April 16, 2026, Regular Board Meeting
2. Monthly Cash Disbursements Report – March 2026
3. Treasurer's Report – February 2026
4. Revenue and Expenditures Report – March 2026
5. Purchase Order Report – March 2026
6. Third Quarter Financial Report Fiscal Year 2025-26

7. Purchase Order Report – April 2026
8. Revenue and Expenditures Report – April 2026
9. Monthly Cash Disbursements Report – April 2026
10. Treasure's Report – 2026
11. Well 1A Rehabilitation

Motion to adopt Consent Calendar.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [3-0-2]**
MOVER:	Daniel Jenkins
SECONDER:	Estevan Bennett
AYES:	Estevan Bennett, Daniel Jenkins, Gregory Young
ABSENT:	Kelvin Moore, Angela Garcia

BUSINESS MATTERS

1. Public Hearing and Adopt Ordinance No. 93 of the West Valley Water District Implementing California Assembly Bill 1572 Prohibiting the use of Potable Water for the Irrigation of Nonfunctional Turf

Due to time constraints, item was moved before Closed Session on the Agenda.

Director of Engineering Welborn gave the staff report and fielded questions from the Board of Directors.

Director Young opened the Public Hearing.

Director Young inquired if anyone from the public would like to speak and provide an opportunity for submitting written protests. Acting Board Secretary stated none were received for the record. Since there were no written protests submitted, no requests to speak; therefore, Director Young closed the public hearing.

General Counsel Castillo stated the item would be voted on at the next Board of Directors meeting on June 4, 2026, as a Consent Calendar item.

2. Public Hearing and Adopt Resolution No. 2026-04, Adopting the 2025 Upper Santa Ana River Watershed Regional Urban Water Management Plan

Due to time constraints, item was moved before Closed Session on the Agenda.

Director of Engineering Welborn gave the staff report and fielded questions from the Board of Directors. Laine Carlson with Water Systems Consulting, Inc. provided additional clarification regarding questions from the Board of Directors.

Director Young opened the Public Hearing.

Director Young inquired if anyone from the public would like to speak and provide an opportunity for submitting written protests. Acting Board Secretary stated none were received for the record. Since there were no written protests submitted, no requests to speak; therefore, Director Young closed the public hearing.

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2026-04, Adopting the 2025 Upper Santa Ana River Watershed Regional Urban Water Management Plan.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [3-0-2]**
MOVER:	Daniel Jenkins
SECONDER:	Estevan Bennett
AYES:	Estevan Bennett, Daniel Jenkins, Gregory Young
ABSENT:	Kelvin Moore, Angela Garcia

3. Public Hearing and Adopt Resolution No. 2026-05, Adopting the Water Shortage Contingency Plan

Due to time constraints, item was moved before Closed Session on the Agenda.

Director of Engineering Welborn gave the staff report and fielded questions from the Board of Directors. Laine Carlson with Water Systems Consulting, Inc. provided additional clarification regarding questions from the Board of Directors.

Director Young opened the Public Hearing.

Director Young inquired if anyone from the public would like to speak and provide an opportunity for submitting written protests. Acting Board Secretary stated none were received for the record. Since there were no written protests submitted, no requests to speak; therefore, Director Young closed the public hearing.

Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 2026-05, Adopting the Water Shortage Contingency Plan.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [3-0-2]**
MOVER:	Daniel Jenkins
SECONDER:	Estevan Bennett
AYES:	Estevan Bennett, Daniel Jenkins, Gregory Young
ABSENT:	Kelvin Moore, Angela Garcia

4. Adopt Resolution No. 2026-09, Approving Entering Into an Agreement to Receive Grant Funding from the Bureau of Reclamation for the District's Water Use Efficiency Rebate Program

Director of Engineering Welborn gave the staff report and fielded questions from the Board of Directors.

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 2026-09, Approving Entering Into an Agreement to Receive Grant Funding from the Bureau of Reclamation for the District's Water Use Efficiency Rebate Program.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [3-0-2]**
MOVER:	Daniel Jenkins
SECONDER:	Estevan Bennett
AYES:	Estevan Bennett, Daniel Jenkins, Gregory Young
ABSENT:	Kelvin Moore, Angela Garcia

5. Professional Services Agreement with OCMI, Inc. for the New Headquarters Facility

Director of Engineering Welborn gave the staff report and fielded questions from the Board of Directors.

Motion to approve the Professional Services Agreement with OCMI, Inc. for the New Headquarters Facility.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [3-0-2]**
MOVER:	Daniel Jenkins
SECONDER:	Estevan Bennett
AYES:	Estevan Bennett, Daniel Jenkins, Gregory Young
ABSENT:	Kelvi Moore, Angela Garcia

6. Approve Third Amendment to the Water Spreading Agreement with the San Bernardino County Flood Control District

Item was pulled from the Agenda to be heard at a later date.

7. Proposed Amended Job Description – Director of Technical Services

Human Resources and Risk Manager Sainz gave the staff report and fielded questions from the Board of Directors.

Motion to approve the Amended Job Description – Director of Technical Services.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [3-0-2]**
MOVER:	Daniel Jenkins
SECONDER:	Estevan Bennett
AYES:	Estevan Bennett, Daniel Jenkins, Gregory Young
ABSENT:	Kelvin Moore, Angela Garcia

8. Rejection of Claim – Ashley Booker

Human Resources and Risk Manager Sainz gave the staff report and fielded questions from the Board of Directors.

Motion to approve the Rejection of Claim of Ashley Booker.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [3-0-2]**
MOVER:	Daniel Jenkins
SECONDER:	Estevan Bennett
AYES:	Estevan Bennett, Daniel Jenkins, Gregory Young
ABSENT:	Kelvin Moore, Angela Garcia

9. Rejection of Claim – Consuelo Navarrete

Human Resources and Risk Manager Sainz gave the staff report and fielded questions from the Board of Directors.

Motion to approve the Rejection of Claim of Consuelo Navarrete.

RESULT:	**ADOPTED [3-0-2]**
MOVER:	Daniel Jenkins
SECONDER:	Estevan Bennett
AYES:	Estevan Bennett, Daniel Jenkins, Gregory Young
ABSENT:	Kelvin Moore, Angela Garcia

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 reported on updates from the Human Resources Committee.
Director Jenkins reported on updates from the Finance Committee.
Director Young reported on updates from the Engineering, Planning, and Operations Committee.

2. Board Members

Director Jenkins reported on attending the Lord Ranch project.
Director Bennett reported on attending the Lord Ranch project.
Director Young reported on attending the Lord Ranch project.

3. General Manager

General Manager Thiel provided updates on recruitment, employees, and committee reports.

4. Legal Counsel

No report out.

5. Public Outreach Government Affairs

Manager of Public Outreach and Government Affairs Pantaleon provided an update on upcoming Conferences, legislation, and events.

6. Board Secretary

Acting Board Secretary Johnson provided an update on upcoming meetings and events.

ADJOURN

Director Young adjourned the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Kara Johnson, Acting Board Secretary

Minutes were approved on June 4, 2026, by the Board of Directors of the West Valley Water District.