# **MINUTES**

## REGULAR BOARD MEETING

### of the

## WEST VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

## April 15, 2021

Attendee Name	Present	Excused	Absent
Board of Directors			
Channing Hawkins	$\square$		
Michael Taylor	<b>☑</b> remote		
Kyle Crowther Attended Closed Session Only		V	
Clifford Young	1 remote		
Gregory Young	1 remote		
Staff			
Shamindra Manbahal	$\overline{\mathbf{V}}$		
Van Jew	$\overline{\mathbf{V}}$		
Naseem Farooqi	<b></b> ✓ remote		
Haydee Sainz	$\overline{\checkmark}$		
Peggy Asche	$\overline{\mathbf{V}}$		
Linda Jadeski	V		
Jon Stephenson	$\overline{\mathbf{V}}$		
Joanne Chan	$\overline{\checkmark}$		
Albert Clinger	$\overline{\mathbf{V}}$	$\Box$ ,	
Jose Velasquez	$\overline{\mathbf{V}}$		
Rosa Gutierrez	$\overline{\mathbf{V}}$		
Telat Yalcin	<b></b> ✓ remote		
Janet Harmon	$\overline{\square}$		
Legal Counsel			
Robert Tafoya	$\square$		

### **OPENING CEREMONIES**

Pledge of Allegiance - Led by General Counsel, Robert Tafoya. Opening Prayer - Led by Pastor Gabriele Araya, Del Rey Church. Call to Order Roll Call of Board Members

## ADOPT AGENDA

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Director Dr. Michael Taylor motioned to adopt the agenda and Director Dr. Clifford Young second the motion. Hearing no discussion, the following vote was taken:

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Michael Taylor, Director SECONDER: Clifford Young, Director

AYES: Channing Hawkins, Michael Taylor, Clifford Young, Gregory Young

**EXCUSED:** Kyle Crowther

#### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no email or zoom comments.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

Director Dr. Michael Taylor amended the Consent Calendar recommending that Items No. 9, 11, 12 and 13 be moved to Business Matters for separate consideration. Director Dr. Clifford Young second the motion. Hearing no discussion, the following vote was taken:

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Michael Taylor, Director SECONDER: Clifford Young, Director

AYES: Channing Hawkins, Michael Taylor, Clifford Young, Gregory Young

**EXCUSED:** Kyle Crowther

1. MARCH 20, 2021 – SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES.

- 2. APRIL 1, 2021 REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES.
- 3. MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR MARCH 2021 (PO, TREASURER, CASH DISBURSEMENT, REVENUES & EXPENDITURES, 3<sup>RD</sup> QTR., AND FUNDS TRANSFER).
- 4. AMENDED CONTRACT FOR INTERIM GENERAL MANAGER POSITION.
- 5. APPROVAL TO PROCEED WITH SCADA AND INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS.
- 6. TASK ORDER NO. 2 WITH GHD, INC. FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE OLIVER P. ROEMER WATER FILTRATION FACILITY EXPANSION PROJECT.
- 7. AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR LEGAL SERVICES FOR THE OLIVER P. ROEMER WATER FILTRATION FACILITY PROJECT.
- 8. 2020 CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT UPDATE.
- 9. APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO LEAL TREJO, FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED IN JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 2021, INV. NO. 18301 AND 18314; TOTALING \$7,400.00.

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- 10. APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO IVIE MCNEILL WYATT PURCELL & DIGGS, FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED IN FEBRUARY 2021, INV. NO. 744350; \$10,317.20.
- 11. APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO TAFOYA LAW GROUP, APC, FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED IN JANUARY 2021, INV. NO. 21-1001; \$19,889.59.
- 12. APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO TAFOYA LAW GROUP, APC, FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED IN FEBRUARY 2021, INV. NO. 21-1002; \$22,539.90.
- 13. APPROVAL OF PAYMENT TO TAFOYA LAW GROUP, APC, FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED IN MARCH 2021, INV. NO. 21-1003; \$17,676.15.

#### **BUSINESS MATTERS**

Director Dr. Michael Taylor motioned to take Agenda Items 9, 11, 12 and 13 for approval in one motion. There was no discussion on the items for approval. Director Greg Young second the motion and following vote was taken:

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Michael Taylor, Director

**SECONDER:** Greg Young, Director

AYES: Channing Hawkins, Michael Taylor, Clifford Young, Gregory Young

**EXCUSED:** Kyle Crowther

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

#### 1. Board Members

- O Director Greg Young thanked all for the thoughts and prayers for his Grandmother.
- O President Channing Hawkins reported on the IE Works Program stating that the District supports their program and that they successfully had a meeting last week. The significant reason is that the District is the first in the region to lead an effort of training and identifying the next set of water technology employees. Also, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District has signed up to be a part of the program as well as San Bernardino Valley College, Inland Empire Utilities Commission and Western Municipal Water District. The District plans this summer to train over 80 interns.

### 2. General Manager

O Mr. Shamindra Manbahal congratulated President Hawkins on leading the District and for his vision and foresight for the achievement of IE Works Program.

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Mr. Manbahal asked the Operations Manager, Joanne Chan, to provide an update on the future FXB. Ms. Joanne Chan reported that the Corollo project was supposed to reach substantial completion in December of 2017. However, today it still has not reached completion. Several challenges with this project include the inability to meet maximum and design flow rates. Also, the perchlorate breakthrough, odor for untreated water and handling of off-spec water discharges. The project has not successfully performed the six-month demonstration and reliability testing. Corollo is requesting that the District pay for the ongoing expenses which are fees to fix the Dionex perchlorate analyzer parts, chemical fees, discharge fees and staff time. Therefore, staff intends to protect the District from additional third-party costs and issue a Notice of Termination letter, which will end the project in June 2021. This concluded her report and she asked if there were any questions. President Hawkins requested that this be placed on the agenda for the next regularly scheduled Board meeting so the Board can inquire questions.

### 3. Legal Counsel

o Mr. Robert Tafoya reported out of Closed Session stating that no final action was taken.

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

Mr. Robert Tafoya reported out of Closed Session stating that no final action was taken.

- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL ANTICIPATED LITIGATION Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9: Number of Cases: Two (2).
- PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 Title(s): General Counsel.
- CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (54957.6) DISTRICT NEGOTIATORS; Shamindra Manbahal, Robert Tafoya, Union Negotiators; re: International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 12.

### **ADJOURN**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Channing Hawkins President of the Board of Directors

of West Valley Water District

ATTEST:

Peggy Aseke, Board Secretary

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