## REGULAR BOARD MEETING

## of the

## WEST VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

## **September 18, 2025**

#### **OPENING CEREMONIES**

Call to Order – 6:00 p.m. Roll Call of Board Members

Attendee Name	Present	Absent	Arrived
Directors			
Angela Garcia			
Kelvin Moore		$\overline{\mathbf{V}}$	
Estevan Bennett	$\overline{\checkmark}$		
Daniel Jenkins			
Gregory Young			
General Counsel			
Jeff Ferre	$\overline{\checkmark}$		
Staff			
John Thiel	$\overline{\checkmark}$		
Jose Velasquez			
Linda Jadeski	$\overline{\checkmark}$		
Haydee Sainz			
Joanne Chan			
Elvia Dominguez		$\overline{\checkmark}$	
Socorro Pantaleon			
Rocky Welborn			
Albert Clinger		$\overline{\mathbf{V}}$	
Elva Vizcaino			

Approval of Any Board Member Requests for Remote Participation – None. Pledge of Allegiance – The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Director Bennett. Opening Prayer – Minister Jeff Smith.

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

Public Participation on closed session matters.

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

The Board entered into closed session at 6:03 p.m.

1. 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.

The Board adjourned the closed session at 6:28 p.m. to conduct the business portion of the meeting which commenced at 6:28 p.m. with all Board members present except Director Moore who was absent.

Report out of Closed Session

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

#### ADOPT AGENDA

President Young announced a request to pull Business Item #1 to a subsequent meeting.

Motion to adopt the agenda as amended, pulling Business Item #1, IE Works Annual Membership Fee Renewal for 2025/26, and table it for a subsequent Board Meeting.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Daniel Jenkins SECONDER: Angela Garcia

AYES: Estevan Bennett, Angela Garcia, Daniel Jenkins, Greg Young

**ABSENT:** Kelvin Moore

#### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

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

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

1. Update on Public Outreach - Value of Water

Manager of Public Outreach and Government Affairs Pantaleon and Chief Financial Officer Velasquez presented a PowerPoint on the Value of Water outreach. Discussion included the 45 Day notice period commencing on October 6, 2025, the manner in which any comments received will be addressed, and the availability of documents translated in Spanish as well as Spanish translators during the public workshops.

President Young thanked staff for the update and their hard work on this item.

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

Motion to adopt Consent Calendar item #1-#6.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Daniel Jenkins SECONDER: Angela Garcia

AYES: Estevan Bennett, Angela Garcia, Daniel Jenkins, Greg Young

**ABSENT:** Kelvin Moore

- 1. September 4, 2025 Meeting Minutes
- 2. Security Camera System Expansion and Integration Project
- 3. Treasurer's Report July 2025
- 4. Monthly Revenue and Expenditures Report August 2025
- 5. Monthly Cash Disbursements Report August 2025

## 6. Purchase Order Report - August 2025

#### **BUSINESS MATTERS**

Consideration Of:

1. IE Works Annual Membership Fee Renewal for 2025/26

This item was tabled to a subsequent meeting under Adoption of the Agenda.

2. Baseline Feeder North Well Rehabilitation

Director of Operations Chan presented the staff report.

Motion to approve the contract with General Pump Company for the not to exceed amount of \$230,217.16 for the Baseline Feeder North Well Rehabilitation Project and authorize the General Manager to execute all necessary documents.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Daniel Jenkins SECONDER: Estevan Bennett

**AYES:** Estevan Bennett, Angela Garcia, Daniel Jenkins, Greg Young

**ABSENT:** Kelvin Moore

# 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 the Human Resources Committee meeting.

Director Jenkins reported on the Finance Committee meeting.

2. Board Members

Director Bennett reported on his attendance at WELL UnTapped Session #3.

Director Garcia reported she will be attending the State Water Project Tour hosted by San Bernardino Valley Water District.

President Young announced due to his grandfather's health he has been very occupied and is looking forward to a return to normalcy, thanked staff for their patience, and requested they reach out to him if anything was pending.

3. General Manager

General Manager Thiel provided an update on recruitment, his attendance at the San Bernardino State of the County, meeting with Regional Managers hosted by San Bernardino Valley Water District, provided information on the Value of Water Workshops, and informed the Board of his upcoming vacation.

4. Legal Counsel

Legal Counsel Ferre provided an update on SB 454, which would establish a PFAS Mitigation Fund.

## 5. Public Outreach Government Affairs

Manager of Public Outreach and Government Affairs Pantaleon indicated that staff is working with California Strategies to bring a presentation to the Board on an annual legislative recap, and provided an update on upcoming events.

## 6. Board Secretary

Payroll Specialist Vizcaino provided an update on upcoming Board meetings and events.

## **ADJOURN**

7:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Paola Lara

Paola Lara, Acting Board Secretary

Minutes were approved on October 16, 2025 by the Board of Directors of the West Valley Water District.