MINUTES REGULAR BOARD MEETING

of the

WEST VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

January 19, 2023

OPENING CEREMONIES

Call to Order - President Young called the Regular Board Meeting of the West Valley Water District to order at 6:03 p.m.

Roll Call of Board Members

Board of Directors	Present	Excused	Absent
Gregory Young	\checkmark		
Dan Jenkins	$\overline{\checkmark}$		
Channing Hawkins	I remote		
Angela Garcia	$\overline{\checkmark}$		
Kelvin Moore	$\overline{\checkmark}$		
Staff			
Van Jew	$\overline{\checkmark}$		
William Fox	$\overline{\checkmark}$		
Haydee Sainz	$\overline{\checkmark}$		
Elvia Dominguez	$\overline{\checkmark}$		
Linda Jadeski		$\overline{\checkmark}$	
Jon Stephenson	\checkmark		
Joanne Chan	$\overline{\checkmark}$		
Albert Clinger	$\overline{\checkmark}$		
Jose Velasquez	$\overline{\checkmark}$		
Socorro Pantaleon	$\overline{\checkmark}$		
Legal Counsel			
Vincent C. Ewing	$\overline{\checkmark}$		

Pledge of Allegiance - The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Director Moore Opening Prayer - Opening Prayer was given by Pastor Townsend

ADOPT AGENDA

1. MOTION TO ADOPT THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED

Director Garcia motioned to adopt agenda and Director Hawkins seconded the motion. The following vote was taken:

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RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Angela Garcia, Director SECONDER: Channing Hawkins, Director

AYES: Channing Hawkins, Angela Garcia, Kelvin Moore, Daniel Jenkins, Gregory Young

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

President Young inquired if anyone from the public would like to speak. Board Secretary Elvia Dominguez stated that no requests were received to speak via email, zoom or in person, therefore President Young closed the public comment period.

PRESENTATIONS

Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting.

Acting General Manager Van Jew introduced the item, then Chief Financial Officer Fox presented the item and commended the team for receiving the award on behalf of the District. Mr. Fox gave an overview of the award and accomplishment and thanked staff for their efforts, specifically Director of Finance Jose Velasquez, Accountant Gustavo Gutierrez, and Accountant Gina Bertoline, who spearheaded the effort. The Board of Directors collectively thanked staff for their efforts.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Board Secretary Elvia Dominguez announced that an administrative change was needed as to the numbering of item #1 Resolution for the Conflict of Interest Code and would reflect as indicated on the agenda and not the agenda attachment. There was no objection.

Vice President Dan Jenkins motioned to adopt the consent calendar and Director Kelvin Moore seconded the motion. The following vote was taken:

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Daniel Jenkins, Vice President

SECONDER: Kelvin Moore, Director

AYES: Channing Hawkins, Angela Garcia, Kelvin Moore, Daniel Jenkins, Gregory Young

1. Resolution No. 2023-01: Conflict of Interest Code

- 2. Resolution No. 2023-04 Adopting the One Water One Watershed Plan Update 2018
- **3.** Approval of Payment to Alvarez-Glasman & Colvin for Professional Services for November 2022, Invoice No. 20530 for \$2,437.50

BUSINESS MATTERS

There were no items.

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

1. Board Members

Director Channing Hawkins announced he would be attending the Water Education for Latino Leaders Fellowship training and would provide the Board a report at a future meeting.

President Young announced he is working with Acting General Manager Van Jew to present a draft schedule of proposed legislative meetings for the Board to attend while in Washington, D.C. and wished Director Hawkins and Vice President Jenkins a happy birthday.

2. General Manager

Director of Operations, Joanne Chan reported on a District vehicle theft and recovery that occurred on January 18, 2023 and a vehicle theft prevention process that will be presented to the Board of Directors at a future meeting; and reported on current water levels and Artesian conditions due to increased rain.

Acting Government and Legislative Affairs Manager, Socorro Pantaleon reported on a public utility assistance program being offered to rate payers and outreach efforts to promote the program via website, social media, and email.

3. Legal Counsel

RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION

The Board entered into Closed Session at 6:03 p.m. as provided in the Ralph M. Brown Act Government Code Section 54956.8 to discuss the following items listed on the agenda:

- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL ANTICIPATED LITIGATION Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Paragraph (2) of Subdivision (D) of Section 54956.9(B): Number of Cases: Three (3).
- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL EXISTING LITIGATION pursuant to Paragraph one (1) of Subdivision (d) of the Government Code Section 54956.9 Case Name: Patricia Romero vs. West Valley Water District, Case No. CIVDS2024402.
- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL EXISTING LITIGATION Pursuant to Paragraph One (1) of Subdivision (d) of the Government Code Section 54956.9 Case Name: Diana Gunn. vs. West Valley Water District, Case No. CIVSB2117195.
- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL EXISTING LITIGATION Pursuant to Paragraph One (1) of Subdivision (d) of the Government Code Section 54956.9 Case Name: Nadia Loukeh. vs West Valley Water District, Case No. CIVSB2116242.
- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL EXISTING LITIGATION Pursuant to Paragraph One (1) of Subdivision (d) of the Government Code Section 54956.9 Case Name: Julianna Zavala. vs West Valley Water District, Case No. CIVSB2117197.

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- CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957 Appointment /employment of a public employee General Counsel
- CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957 Public Employee Performance Evaluation Acting General Manager
- CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957 Public Employee Performance Evaluation Three positions.
- CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957, Title(s) General Manager.

RECONVENE THE MEETING

The Board reconvened the meeting at 8:32 p.m.

Mr. Vincent C. Ewing, Interim Legal Counsel reported out of Closed Session stating that multiple items were considered; however, no reportable actions were taken.

ADJOURN

President Young adjourned the meeting at 8:52 p.m.

ATTEST:

Elvia Dominguez Board Secretary

Minutes were approved on February 15, 2023 by the Board of Directors of the West Valley Water District.

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