



**JOINT RECYCLED WATER POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING
(CITIES OF PALO ALTO/EAST PALO ALTO/MOUNTAIN VIEW/VALLEY WATER)**

MINUTES

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2019
12:00 PM**

(Paragraph numbers coincide with agenda item numbers)

A meeting of the Joint Recycled Water Policy Committee (Committee) was held on September 5, 2019, in the Headquarters Building Boardroom at the Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water), 5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, California.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

A meeting of the Joint Recycled Water Policy Committee was called to order by Chair Director Gary Kremen at 12:03 p.m.

Note: Hon. Alison Cormack is the second representative for the City of Palo Alto.

Committee Members in attendance were: City of East Palo Alto Mayor/Council Member: Hon. Ruben Abrica; City of Mountain View Council Member: Hon. Lucas Ramirez
City of Palo Alto Council Members: Hon. Alison Cormack and Hon. Tom DuBois; Valley Water Directors: Hon. Tony Estremera, District 6, Hon Barbara Keegan, District 2 and Hon. Gary Kremen, District 7.

Valley Water Staff/Contractor in attendance were: Gina Adriano, Hossein Ashktorab, Henry Barrientos, Glenna Brambill, Tim Bramer, Mera Burton, Phillippe Daniel, Jerry De La Piedra, Garth Hall, Nina Hawk, Brian Hopper, Elise Latedjou-Durand, Katherine Oven, Steven Peters, Eva Sans, Miguel Silva, Medi Sinaki, David Tucker and Bhavani Yerrapotu.

Guests in attendance were: Ed Arango, Diego Barragan, Phil Bobel, Lou Carella, Karla Dailey, Samantha Engelage, Michael Fuller, Karin North, Dave Warner and Stan Williams.

2. TIME OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY ITEM NOT ON AGENDA

There was no one present who wished to speak.

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

It was moved by Hon. Barbara Keegan, seconded by Hon. Tom DuBois and carried, by majority vote to approve the minutes of the September 26, 2018, Joint Recycled Water Policy Committee meeting, as presented. Hon. Alison Cormack abstained.

4. **ACTION ITEMS**

4.1 UPDATE ON NORTHWEST COUNTY STRATEGIC PLANNING

Mr. Phil Bobel and Ms. Samantha Engelage reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item and were available to answer questions.

Mr. Stan Williams of Poseidon Water spoke regarding project costs, operation and maintenance-repairs, energy use and costs, climate changes, concept of direct potable reuse-caution-regulatory risks-not yet finalized and funding concerns.

The Committee discussed the following items: options cost raised in the agenda memo-potable vs non potable reuse, non-cost benefits, injected/percolate aquifer water needs to be retreated (no plume/contamination).

Mr. Hossein Ashktorab was available to answer questions.

The Committee took no action.

4.2 UPDATE ON COUNTYWIDE WATER REUSE MASTER PLAN AND REVERSE OSMOSIS CONCENTRATE MANAGEMENT PLAN

Mr. Miguel Silva and Mr. Medi Sinaki reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item.

The Committee discussed the following items: Measure E site challenges, discuss location(s) at next meeting, preliminary stages of design, partnerships-funds ongoing discussions and the existing 3 plans.

Mr. Phil Bobel, Mr. Hossein Ashktorab and Mr. Garth Hall were available to answer questions

The Committee took no action.

4.3 UPDATE ON PARTNERSHIP TO EXPAND WATER REUSE

Mr. Jerry De La Piedra reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item.

The Committee discussed the following items: Tuolumne and Hetch Hetchy water, multi-use, 9 mgd plant at this time looking to increase in the future, draft agreement has language issues agencies are discussing, flows from the plant effect small plants, water supply guarantees, defining of parameters and quantity, RO responsibility disposition, plant sale, climate change concerns, naming of plant being considered, thanked those that have worked on the agreement to date, technical terms made plain so understandable, partners are looped in, recycled water, lacking historical background and the next steps.

Mr. Ed Arango, Mr. Phil Bobel, Ms. Nina Hawk, Mr. Michael Fuller, Ms. Karin North and Mr. Garth Hall were available to answer questions.

Mr. Dave Warner of Palo Alto had a handout and Mr. Stan Williams spoke regarding their concerns with the water, costs, impacts, and the agreement.

The Committee took no action.

4.4 NEXT MEETING AND TENTATIVE ITEMS

The Committee agreed to schedule the next meeting mid-October, if everything aligns with the agreement and communication plan.

The Committee took no action.

5. CLERK REVIEW AND CLARIFICATION OF COMMITTEE REQUESTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Board Committee Liaison Ms. Glenna Brambill reported there were no action items for consideration.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Director Gary Kremen adjourned the meeting at 1:41 p.m.

Glenna Brambill
Board Committee Liaison
Office of the Clerk of the Board

Approved: 2-22-2021