



SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER COMMISSION MEETING

**MINUTES**

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2019  
12:00 PM**

(Paragraph numbers coincide with agenda item numbers)

A regular meeting of the Santa Clara Valley Water Commission (Commission) was held on January 23, 2019, in the Headquarters Building Boardroom, located at the Santa Clara Valley Water District, 5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, California.

**1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

Hon. Chair Yoriko Kishimoto called the meeting to order at 12:01 p.m.

**Members in attendance were:**

<u>Municipality</u>	<u>Representative</u>	<u>Alternate</u>
City of Campbell	Hon. Susan M. Landry	
City of Cupertino	Hon. Darcy Paul	
City of Gilroy	Hon. Peter Leroe Muñoz*	
City of Los Altos	Hon. Anita Enander	
Town of Los Altos Hills	Hon. Courtenay Corrigan*	
Town of Los Gatos	Hon. Marcia Jensen*	
City of Milpitas	Hon. Carmen Montano	
Town of Monte Sereno		Hon. Liz Lawler
City of Morgan Hill	Hon. Rich Constantine	
City of Mountain View	Hon. Lucas Ramirez*	
City of Palo Alto	Hon. Tom DuBois	
City of Santa Clara	Hon. Debi Davis*	
City of Sunnyvale	Hon. Nancy Smith	
Santa Clara Open Space Authority		Hon. Calvin Gill
Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District	Hon. Yoriko Kishimoto	

**Members not in attendance were:**

<u>Municipality</u>	<u>Representative</u>	<u>Alternate</u>
City of Campbell		Hon. Anne Bybee
City of Cupertino		Hon. Steven Scharf Timm Borden
City of Gilroy		Hon. Fred Tovar
City of Los Altos		Hon. Lynette Lee Eng
Town of Los Gatos	Hon. Steve Leonardis	
City of Milpitas		Hon. Karina R. Dominguez
Town of Monte Sereno	Hon. Javed Ellahie	
City of Morgan Hill		Hon. Larry Carr
City of Mountain View		Hon. Alison Hicks
City of Palo Alto	Hon. Adrian Fine	
City of San José	Hon. Pam Foley	Kerrie Romanow
City of Santa Clara		Hon. Kathy Watanabe
City of Saratoga	Hon. Rishi Kumar	Hon. Yan Zhao
City of Sunnyvale		Hon. Larry Klein
County of Santa Clara	Hon. Mike Wasserman	Hon. Cindy Chavez
Santa Clara Open Space Authority	Hon. Mike Flaughner	
Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District		Hon. Jed Cyr

Board members in attendance were: Directors Nai Hsueh and Linda J. LeZotte, Board Representatives.

Staff members in attendance were: Joe Atmore, Glenna Brambill, Frances Brewster, Norma Camacho, Jerry De La Piedra, Vincent Gin, Garth Hall, Tracy Hemmeter, Anthony Mendiola, Metra Richert, Darin Taylor, Trey Williams and Bhavani Yerrapotu

Special Guests were: Pat Ferraro, Rhoda Fry, Meg Giberson, Kit Gordon, Martin Gothberg, Stephanie Moreno, Mansour Nasser, Kathy Ushiba, Michael Warburton and Gary Welling.

\*Hon. Marcia Jensen arrived at 12:02 p.m.

\*Hon. Debi Davis arrived at 12:04 p.m.

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

There were two public speakers:

Ms. Stephanie Moreno of GCRCD and Ms. Rhoda Fry.

\*Hon. Lucas Ramirez arrived at 12:06 p.m.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

It was moved by Hon. Rich Constantine, seconded by Hon. Nancy Smith, and unanimously carried, to approve the October 24, 2018, Santa Clara Valley Water Commission meeting minutes as presented.

**4. ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR**

**4.1 ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR**

Chair Yoriko Kishimoto opened the floor for Chair nominations:

It was moved by Hon. Yoriko Kishimoto to nominate Hon. Debi Davis as Chair.

It was moved by Hon. Susan M. Landry to nominate Hon. Rich Constantine as Chair.

The nominations were closed. Both nominees spoke to the Commission regarding their experiences.

The Commission by majority vote, approved Hon. Debi Davis as Chair for 2019.

Chair Yoriko Kishimoto opened the floor for Vice Chair nominations:

It was moved by Hon. Debi Davis to nominate Hon. Rich Constantine as Vice Chair.

The nomination was closed.

The Commission by unanimous vote, approved Hon. Rich Constantine as Vice Chair for 2019.

**5. ACTION ITEMS**

**5.1 REVIEW AND APPROVE 2018 ANNUAL ACOMPLISHMENTS REPORT FOR PRESENTATION TO THE BOARD**

Hon. Yoriko Kishimoto reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item.

It was moved by Hon. Rich Constantine, seconded by Hon. Lucas Ramirez and unanimously carried, to approve the Water Commission's 2018 Annual Accomplishments Report.

**5.2 WATER SUPPLY MASTER PLAN**

Ms. Tracy Hemmeter reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item along with a handout on Water Supply Master Plan 2040 Water Demand Projection Methodology.

\*Hon. Courtenay Corrigan arrived at 12:23 p.m.

Hon. Nancy Smith, Hon. Carmen Montano, Hon. Rich Constantine, Hon. Anita Enander, Hon. Yoriko Kishimoto, Hon. Susan M. Landry and Hon. Courtenay Corrigan spoke on: the demand side and getting back-up data for the supply side, reuse name, purple piping, recycled water, staff was thanked for their work, regional and population growth, dual numbering system, the ordinance and building reach codes.

No action was taken.

**5.3 REVIEW AND COMMENT TO THE BOARD ON THE FISCAL YEAR 2019-20 PRELIMINARY GROUNDWATER PRODUCTION CHARGES**

Mr. Darin Taylor reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item along with a handout on Preliminary FY20 Groundwater Production Charge Analysis.

\*Hon. Peter Leroe-Muñoz arrived at 12:55 p.m.

Hon. Tom DuBois, Hon. Susan M. Landry, Hon. Yoriko Kishimoto, Hon. Debi Davis, Ms. Norma Camacho, Hon. Nancy Smith, Hon. Anita Enander, Director Linda J. LeZotte, Hon. Calvin Gill, Director Nai Hsueh, and Hon. Darcy Paul spoke on: different rates, how do 'interest' rates play a part, WaterFix is there a risk, risk assessments conducted, risks are a 'moving' target, keeping rates at their lowest, need a growth plan in place, water usage, handout explained the rates more, what is used to set rates, information used is on 'best' knowledge since water supply differs yearly, water retailers control their own rates, setting of rates play a role on current projects getting done, and the cost of water will increase.

No action was taken.

#### **5.4 OPEN SPACE CREDIT**

Mr. Joe Atmore reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item.

Hon. Peter Leroe-Muñoz, Hon. Rich Constantine, Hon. Nancy Smith, Hon. Anita Enander, Hon. Courtenay Corrigan, Mr. Pat Ferraro (retired Valley Water Board of Directors) and Director Linda J. LeZotte spoke on: fallow ground results, agricultural usage-cost of land, urban agricultural incentive zone, getting data on Williamson Act properties, costs of open space and clarification on discounts ('credit').

No action was taken.

#### **5.5 UPDATE ON THE STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD'S AMENDMENTS TO THE BAY-DELTA WATER QUALITY CONTROL PLAN AND AGENCY-PROPOSED VOLUNTARY AGREEMENTS**

Mr. Garth Hall reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item.

Hon. Marcia Jensen, Hon. Lucas Ramirez and Hon. Calvin Gill left at 2:01 p.m. and did not return.

Ms. Kit Gordon, Ms. Kathy Ushiba, Mr. Michael Warburton, Mr. Martin Gothberg, Ms. Meg Giberson-had a handout, Mr. Pat Ferraro, Hon. Yoriko Kishimoto, Hon. Nancy Smith, Hon. Susan M. Landry, Hon. Tom DuBois, Hon. Carmen Montano and Hon. Anita Enander, spoke on: water conservation, the lawsuit that Valley Water filed and costs.

Hon. Rich Constantine left at 2:22 p.m. and did not return.

No action was taken.

#### **5.6 REVIEW SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER COMMISSION WORK PLAN, THE OUTCOMES OF BOARD ACTION OF COMMISSION REQUESTS AND THE COMMISSION'S NEXT MEETING AGENDA**

Ms. Glenna Brambill, Directors Nai Hsueh and Linda J. LeZotte reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item. Also, advised the Commission of the pending new agenda format moving forward upon Board approval.

Hon. Peter Leroe-Muñoz left at 2:31 p.m. and did not return.  
Hon. Tum DuBois left at 2:32 p.m. and did not return.

No action was taken.

**6. CLERK REVIEW AND CLARIFICATION OF COMMISSION REQUESTS TO THE BOARD**

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

**7. REPORTS**

**7.1 Director's Report**

None.

**7.2 Manager's Report**

None.

**7.3 Commission Member Reports**

None.

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Hon. Debi Davis adjourned at 2:39 p.m. to the next regular meeting on Wednesday, April 10, 2019, at 12:00 p.m., in the Santa Clara Valley Water District Headquarters Boardroom.

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

Approved: 4-10-19