



## Santa Clara Valley Water District Board of Directors Meeting

Teleconference Zoom Meeting

**\*AMENDED/APPENDED**  
**\*11:00 AM CLOSED SESSION AND 1:00 PM REGULAR**  
**MEETING**  
**AGENDA**

**Tuesday, November 10, 2020**  
**11:00 AM**

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**District Mission: Provide Silicon Valley safe, clean water for a healthy life, environment and economy.**

**DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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Tony Estremera, Vice Chair, District 6  
John L Varela, District 1  
Barbara Keegan, District 2  
Richard P. Santos, District 3  
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**Join by Phone:**

**1 (669) 900-9128, 95531214897#**

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

1.1. Roll Call.

**2. TIME CERTAIN:**

**11:00 AM**

*Notice to the Public: The Board of Directors meets in Closed Session in accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act. Following the conclusion of Closed Session discussion, the Board will return for the remaining items on the regular meeting agenda.*

- 2.1. CLOSED SESSION [20-1012](#)  
CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - INITIATION OF LITIGATION  
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4) - Six Potential  
Cases
- 2.2. CLOSED SESSION [20-1030](#)  
PUBLIC EMPLOYEE EMPLOYMENT  
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b)(1)  
Title: District Counsel
- \*2.3. CLOSED SESSION [20-1054](#)  
CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION  
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1):  
White, et al. v. SCVWD, et al. (Santa Clara Co. Superior Court, No.  
18CV321600 (Lead))

\*2.4. CLOSED SESSION

[20-1056](#)

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8:

Setting Negotiation Parameters for Price and Terms of Payment for

Acquiring Property Interest in APN 015-32-042 and APN 015-32-043

Negotiators: Rick Callender, Melanie Richardson, Rechelle Blank, Eli

Serrano, Bill Magleby, Rachael Gibson, Don Rocha, Sunshine Julian

Other Negotiating Parties: City of San Jose

**1:00 PM**

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\*2.5. District Counsel Report on Closed Session. (PREVIOUSLY LISTED AS ITEM 2.3)

\*2.6. Pledge of Allegiance/National Anthem. (PREVIOUSLY LISTED AS ITEM 2.4)

\*2.7. Orders of the Day. (PREVIOUSLY LISTED AS ITEM 2.5)

A. *Approximate Discussion Time (Board); and*

B. *Adjustments to the Order of Agenda Items.*

\*2.8. Time Open for Public Comment on any Item not on the Agenda.  
(PREVIOUSLY LISTED AS ITEM 2.6)

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**3. CONSENT CALENDAR: (3.1 - \*3.6) (Est. Time: 5 Minutes)**

*Notice to the public: There is no separate discussion of individual consent calendar items. Recommended actions are voted on in one motion. If an item is approved on the consent vote, the specific action recommended by staff is adopted. Items listed in this section of the agenda are considered to be routine by the Board, or delegated to the Board Appointed Officers (BAOs) yet required by law or contract to be Board approved (EL-7.10). Any item may be removed for separate consideration at the request of a Board member. Whenever a resolution is on the consent calendar, a roll call vote will be taken on the entire calendar. Members of the public wishing to address the Board on any consent items should complete a Speaker Card and present it to the Clerk of the Board.*

- \*3.1. Notice of Completion of Contract and Acceptance of Work for the [20-1057](#)  
Rinconada Water Treatment Plant Reliability Improvement Project, Balfour  
Beatty Infrastructure, Inc., Contractor, Project No. 93294057, Contract No.  
C0601 (Los Gatos) (District 7).

- Recommendation:
- A. Accept the work on the Rinconada Water Treatment Plant Reliability Improvement Project, Project No. 93294057, Contract No. C0601 as complete; and
  - B. Direct the Clerk of the Board to sign the Notice of Completion of Contract and Acceptance of Work and submit for recording to the Santa Clara County Clerk-Recorder.

Manager: Heath McMahon, 408-630-3126

Attachments: [Attachment 1: Notice of Completion](#)  
[Attachment 2: Construction Photos](#)  
[Attachment 3: Project Delivery Process Chart](#)  
[\\*Supplemental Board Agenda Memo](#)  
[\\*Supplemental Attachment 1: Construction Contract Acceptance](#)  
[\\*Supplemental Attachment 2: Project Completion Letter](#)  
[\\*Handout 3.1-A, Frederickson email](#)

- 3.2. Revision to 2020 Board Committee Appointment - San Luis and [20-0996](#)  
Delta-Mendota Water Authority, Division 4 - Board of Director Alternate  
and Delta Habitat Conservation and Conveyance Program Committee  
Alternate.

Recommendation: Approve the revised Board Committee Appointments for the San Luis and Delta-Mendota Water Authority Division 4 Board of Director Alternate and the Delta Habitat Conservation and Conveyance Program Committee Alternate.

Manager: Michele King, 408-630-2711

- 3.3. Consider Membership Nomination for Committee Appointment to the Safe, Clean Water Independent Monitoring Committee. [20-1018](#)  
Recommendation: Consider the membership appointment for Committee Appointment to the Safe, Clean Water Independent Monitoring Committee (SCW IMC).  
Manager: Michele King, 408-630-2711  
Attachments: [Attachment 1: SCVWD Resolution No. 13-61](#)  
[Attachment 2: Membership Application \(Fohner\)](#)
- 3.4. Consider the October 21, 2020, Board Audit Committee Recommendation to Accept Audit Report of the Water Utility Enterprise Funds for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2019. [20-1021](#)  
Recommendation: A. Consider the October 21, 2020, Board Audit Committee Recommendation to accept the Audit Report of the Water Utility Enterprise Funds for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2019; and  
B. Accept the Audit Report of the Water Utility Enterprise Funds for the Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2019.  
Manager: Darin Taylor, 408-630-3068  
Attachments: [Attachment 1: FY Ending 2019 WUE Funds Audit Report](#)  
Est. Staff Time: 10 Minutes
- \*3.5. Accept the CEO Bulletin for the Weeks of October 23-November 5, 2020. [20-0990](#)  
Recommendation: Accept the CEO Bulletin.  
Manager: Rick Callender, 408-630-2017  
Attachments: [Attachment 1: 110520 CEO Bulletin](#)
- \*3.6. Approval of Minutes. [20-0957](#)  
Recommendation: Approve the minutes.  
Manager: Michele King, 408-630-2711  
Attachments: [Attachment 1: 100720 Special Meeting Minutes](#)  
[Attachment 2: 101320 Regular Meeting Minutes](#)

**REGULAR AGENDA:**

**4. BOARD OF DIRECTORS:**

- 4.1. Proposed Conversion of Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water) [20-0876](#)  
Fish and Aquatic Habitat Collaborative Effort (FAHCE) Ad Hoc  
Committee to a Standing Board Committee.

Recommendation: Consider and approve the Fish and Aquatic Habitat  
Collaborative (FAHCE) Ad Hoc Committee's recommendations  
to:

- a. Convert the FAHCE Ad Hoc Committee to a Standing  
Board Committee;
- b. Expand the purpose of the Committee by adding a third  
purpose to identify and track progress of District and  
non-District activities that may affect the FAHCE  
Settlement Agreement and implementation; and
- c. Name the Standing Board Committee the "Stream  
Planning and Operations Committee".

Manager: Vincent Gin, 408-630-2633

Attachments: [Attachment 1: Board Governance Policy GP-8](#)

Est. Staff Time: 5 Minutes

- 4.2. Consider the October 21, 2020, Board Audit Committee [20-1022](#)  
Recommendation to Receive and Discuss the Final Audit Report and  
Management Response for the Real Estate Services Audit Conducted by  
TAP International, Inc.

Recommendation: Consider the October 21, 2020, Board Audit Committee  
recommendation to receive and discuss the Final Audit Report  
and Management Response for the Real Estate Services Audit  
conducted by TAP International, Inc.

Manager: Darin Taylor, 408-630-3068

Attachments: [Attachment 1: Final Real Estate Services Audit Report](#)

Est. Staff Time: 10 Minutes

- \*4.3. Board Committee Reports. [20-1037](#)

Attachments: [\\*Handout 4.3-A: 101920 EWRC Summary](#)  
[\\*Handout 4.3-B: 102620 BPPC Summary](#)  
[\\*Handout 4.3-C: 102820 Water Commission Summary](#)  
[\\*Handout 4.3-D: 110920 WSEC Agenda](#)  
[\\*Handout 4.3-E: 111820 Water Commission Agenda](#)

- 4.4. Proposed Future Board Member Agenda Items.

## 5. WATER UTILITY ENTERPRISE:

**6. WATERSHEDS:**

- 6.1. Approve Amendment No. 3 to Agreement No. A3967A with Wood Rodgers, Inc. for Design Consultant Services for the Lower Penitencia Creek Improvements Project, Project No. 40334005, CAS No. 4680, Increasing the fee by \$455,132 for a Total Revised Not-to-exceed Fee of \$2,573,886 (Milpitas) (District 3).

[19-0806](#)

Recommendation: Approve Amendment No. 3 to Agreement No. A3967A with Wood Rodgers, Inc. (Consultant), for design consultant services for the Lower Penitencia Creek Improvements Project, increasing the not-to-exceed fee by \$455,132 resulting in a revised total not-to-exceed amount of \$2,573,886 and extending the Agreement term.

Manager: Rechelle Blank, 408-630-2615

Attachments: [Attachment 1: Amendment No. 3](#)

Est. Staff Time: 5 Minutes



- 6.2. Consider the Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration; Adopt the Resolutions (2) Making Responsible Agency Findings, and Authorizing Land Lot Line Adjustment and Exchange of Real Property; and Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to Execute the Joint Use Agreement and All Necessary Documents to Affect the Lot Line Adjustment and Real Property Exchange, with the City of Cupertino for the Regnart Creek Trail Project. (Cupertino) (District 5).

[20-0883](#)

- Recommendation:
- A. Consider the potential environmental effects of the project as discussed in the Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared by the City of Cupertino (City);
  - B. Adopt the resolution MAKING RESPONSIBLE AGENCY FINDINGS PURSUANT TO THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT TO RELY ON THE INITIAL STUDY AND MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION PREPARED BY THE LEAD AGENCY (CITY OF CUPERTINO) FOR THE REGNART CREEK TRAIL PROJECT;
  - C. Approve and authorize the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to execute the Joint Use Agreement between the City of Cupertino and the Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water).
  - D. Adopt the resolution AUTHORIZING LOT LINE ADJUSTMENT AND EXCHANGE OF REAL PROPERTY WITH THE CITY OF CUPERTINO; and
  - E. Authorize the CEO to execute all necessary legal instruments to effect the lot line adjustment and real property exchange with the City of Cupertino, including but not limited to a certificate of lot line adjustment, a quitclaim deed to the City of Cupertino, a certificate of acceptance for a quitclaim deed from the City of Cupertino, and all other documents reasonably necessary to carry out the intent of the resolution authorizing lot line adjustment and exchange of real property with the City of Cupertino.

Manager: Rechelle Blank, 408-630-2615

Attachments: [Attachment 1: Location Map](#)  
[Attachment 2: Resolution Authorizing Lot Line Adjustment](#)  
[Attachment 3: Joint Use Agreement](#)  
[Attachment 4: Resolution Making Responsible Agency Findings](#)  
[Attachment 5: Mitigated Negative Declaration](#)  
[\\*Handout 6.2-A, Revised Att. 1, Location Map](#)

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7. **ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER:**
8. **EXTERNAL AFFAIRS:**
9. **CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER:**

- 9.1. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to Apply for and Submit a Grant from the California Department of Water Resources; Adopt a Resolution Authorizing a Proposal for Funding and Designating a Representative to Execute an Agreement and Amendments; Authorize District Counsel to Execute Attorney's Certification; and Authorize the Chief Executive Officer or Designee to Sign and Submit Invoices and Requests for Reimbursement, and Provide Management Support Services, as Deemed Necessary and Appropriate, for the Lower Penitencia Creek Improvements Project, Project No. 40334005 (San Jose) (District 3). [20-0936](#)

- Recommendation:
- A. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) or designee to execute and submit a grant application in the amount of \$9 million to the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) and if the grant is awarded, to execute the agreement and any amendments thereto, for the Lower Penitencia Creek Improvements Project (Project No. 40334005);
  - B. Adopt the resolution AUTHORIZING A PROPOSAL FOR FUNDING FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES AND DESIGNATING A REPRESENTATIVE TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT AND ANY AMENDMENTS THERETO, FOR THE LOWER PENITENCIA CREEK IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT;
  - C. Authorize the District Counsel to execute the Attorney's Certification form required as part of the grant application;
  - D. Authorize the CEO or designee to submit the grant application by the deadline of November 20, 2020 while staff concurrently conducts an internal review of the grant terms and conditions. If the grant is awarded, and staff determines all terms and conditions can be met by Valley Water, a subsequent agenda item will be scheduled for Board approval to accept the grant;
  - E. Provided a grant agreement is entered into between Valley Water and DWR, delegate authority to the CEO or designee to sign and submit invoices and requests to DWR for grant fund reimbursements to be made pursuant to the Grant Agreement; and
  - F. Delegate to the CEO or designee such other authority as needed to provide management and support services required for performance of the work and administration pursuant to the grant agreement, as deemed necessary and appropriate.

Manager: Darin Taylor, (408) 630-3068

Attachments:        [Attachment 1: Resolution](#)  
                          [Attachment 2: Attorney's Certification Form](#)  
                          [Attachment 3: Project Map](#)

Est. Staff Time:     5 Minutes

\*9.2. CEO and Chiefs' Report.

[20-1068](#)

Attachments:        [\\*Handout 9.2-A, Communications Unit Update](#)  
                          [\\*Handout 9.2-B, Civic Engagement Unit Update](#)

**10. ADMINISTRATION:**

**11. DISTRICT COUNSEL:**

**12. ADJOURN:**

12.1. Board Member Reports/Announcements.

12.2. Clerk Review and Clarification of Board Requests.

12.3. Adjourn to Special Meeting at 1:00 p.m., on November 17, 2020, to be called to order in compliance with the State Emergency Services Act, the Governor's Emergency Declaration related to COVID-19, and the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20.