October 31, 2019

MEETING NOTICE

HOMELESS ENCAMPMENT AD HOC COMMITTEE

Board Members of the Homeless Encampment Ad Hoc Committee:
  Director Tony Estremera, Vice Chair
  Director Richard P. Santos, Chair
  Director John L. Varela

Staff Support of the Homeless Encampment Ad Hoc Committee:
  Norma J. Camacho, Chief Executive Officer
  Melanie Richardson, Chief Operating Officer
  Stanly Yamamoto, District Counsel
  Brian Hopper, Senior Assistant District Counsel
  Rick Callender, Chief of External Affairs
  Sue Tippets, Deputy Operating Officer
  Vincent Gin, Deputy Operating Officer
  Lisa Bankosh, Assistant Officer
  Eli Serrano, Real Estate Services Manager
  Chad Grande, Field Operations Unit Manager
  James Choate, Senior Field Operations Administrator
  Meenakshi Ganjoo, Program Administrator
  Mark Bilski, Senior Management Analyst
  Kirsten Struve, Senior Water Resources Specialist

The meeting of the Homeless Encampment Ad Hoc Committee is to be held on **Friday, November 15, 2019, at 11:00 a.m.** in the Headquarters Building Boardroom located at the Santa Clara Valley Water District, 5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, California.

Enclosed are the meeting agenda and corresponding materials. Please bring this packet with you to the meeting.

Enclosures
Santa Clara Valley Water District - Headquarters Building,
5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, CA 95118

From Oakland:
- Take 880 South to 85 South
- Take 85 South to Almaden Expressway exit
- Turn left on Almaden Plaza Way
- Turn right (south) on Almaden Expressway
- At Via Monte (third traffic light), make a U-turn
- Proceed north on Almaden Expressway approximately 1,000 feet
- Turn right (east) into the campus entrance

From Morgan Hill/Gilroy:
- Take 101 North to 85 North
- Take 85 North to Almaden Expressway exit
- Turn left on Almaden Expressway
- Cross Blossom Hill Road
- At Via Monte (third traffic light), make a U-turn
- Proceed north on Almaden Expressway approximately 1,000 feet
- Turn right (east) into the campus entrance

From Sunnyvale:
- Take Highway 87 South to 85 North
- Take Highway 85 North to Almaden Expressway exit
- Turn left on Almaden Expressway
- At Via Monte (third traffic light), make a U-turn
- Proceed north on Almaden Expressway approximately 1,000 feet
- Turn right (east) into the campus entrance

From San Francisco:
- Take 280 South to Highway 85 South
- Take Highway 85 South to Almaden Expressway exit
- Turn left on Almaden Plaza Way
- Turn right (south) on Almaden Expressway
- At Via Monte (third traffic light), make a U-turn
- Proceed north on Almaden Expressway approximately 1,000 feet
- Turn right (east) into the campus entrance

From Downtown San Jose:
- Take Highway 87 - Guadalupe Expressway South
- Exit on Santa Teresa Blvd.
- Turn right on Blossom Hill Road
- Turn left at Almaden Expressway
- At Via Monte (first traffic light), make a U-turn
- Proceed north on Almaden Expressway approximately 1,000 feet
- Turn right (east) into the campus entrance

From Walnut Creek, Concord and East Bay areas:
- Take 680 South to 280 North
- Exit Highway 87-Guadalupe Expressway South
- Exit on Santa Teresa Blvd.
- Turn right on Blossom Hill Road
- Turn left at Almaden Expressway
- At Via Monte (third traffic light), make a U-turn
- Proceed north on Almaden Expressway approximately 1,000 feet
- Turn right (east) into the campus entrance
### HOMELESS ENCAMPMENT AD HOC COMMITTEE

**Richard P. Santos** - District 3, Committee Chair  
**Tony Estremera** - District 6, Committee Vice Chair  
**John L. Varela** - District 1

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**Note:** The finalized Board Agenda, exception items and supplemental items will be posted prior to the meeting in accordance with the Brown Act.
1. CALL TO ORDER:

1.1. Roll Call.

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

Notice to the public: This item is reserved for persons desiring to address the Committee on any matter not on this agenda. Members of the public who wish to address the Committee on any item not listed on the agenda should complete a Speaker Form and present it to the Committee Clerk. The Committee Chair will call individuals in turn. Speakers comments should be limited to two minutes or as set by the Chair. The law does not permit Committee action on, or extended discussion of, any item not on the agenda except under special circumstances. If Committee action is requested, the matter may be placed on a future agenda. All comments that require a response will be referred to staff for a reply in writing. The Committee may take action on any item of business appearing on the posted agenda.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

3.1. Approval of Minutes. 19-1065

   Recommendation: Approve the September 30, 2019, Meeting Minutes.
   Manager: Michele King, 408-630-2711
   Attachments: Attachment 1: 093019 HEAHC DRAFT Mins
   Est. Staff Time: 5 Minutes

4. ACTION ITEMS:
4.1. Update on Environmental Cleanup Day Event.

Recommendation: Receive information and advise staff with regard to the Board Recommendation to host an Environmental Cleanup Day event that will engage government agencies, environmental advocates, homeless advocates, volunteers, and local unhoused populations in a collaborative effort to perform environmental cleanup activities along Coyote Creek in San Jose.

Manager: Melanie Richardson, 408-630-2035
Attachments: Attachment 1: Cleanup Site Locations
Est. Staff Time: 30 Minutes

5. CLERK REVIEW AND CLARIFICATION OF COMMITTEE REQUESTS.
This is an opportunity for the Clerk to review and obtain clarification on any formally moved, seconded, and approved requests and recommendations made by the Committee during the meeting.

6. ADJOURN:

6.1. Adjourn
COMMITTEE AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Homeless Encampment Ad Hoc Committee

SUBJECT:
Approval of Minutes.

RECOMMENDATION:
Approve the September 30, 2019, Meeting Minutes.

SUMMARY:
A summary of Committee discussions, and details of all actions taken by the Committee, during all open and public Committee meetings, is transcribed and submitted for review and approval.

Upon Committee approval, minutes transcripts are finalized and entered into the District’s historical records archives and serve as historical records of the Committee’s meetings.

ATTACHMENTS:
Attachment 1: 093019 HEAHC Draft Meeting Minutes.

UNCLASSIFIED MANAGER:
Michele King, 408-630-2711
A meeting of the Homeless Encampment Ad Hoc Committee (Committee) was held on August 5, 2019, in the Headquarters Building Boardroom at the Santa Clara Valley Water District (SCVWD), 5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, California.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL
Chair Director Richard P. Santos called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

Board Members in attendance were: Director Tony Estremera-District 6, Director Richard P. Santos-District 3, and Director John L. Varela-District 1.

Staff members in attendance were: Mark Bilski, Glenna Brambill, Rick Callender, Domingo Candelas, James Choate, Ray Fields, Meenakshi Ganjoo, Chad Grande, Linh Hoang, Hieu Huynh, Jay Lee, Marta Lugo, Bill Magleby, Tracy Pena, Melanie Richardson, Mike Sawatzky, Kirsten Struve, Sue Tippets and Jennifer Turner.

Elected/Representative in attendance were: Representative Helen Chapman (City of San José Council Member Sergio Jimenez-District 2), Deputy Manager Angel Rios, Jr. City of San José, Chief of Staff Donald Rocha, County of Santa Clara Office of Supervisor Dave Cortese.

Guests in attendance were: Robert Aguirre, Jan Bernstein Chargin, Charles Black, Johne Davis, Heather Ernst, David Hernandez, Ed Howard, Deb Kramer, Bryan Murphy, Gail Osmer, Jeanne Serpa, Cris Unciano and Olympia 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 Director John L. Varela, seconded by Director Tony Estremera, and unanimously carried, to approve the minutes of the August 5, 2019, Homeless Encampment Ad Hoc Committee meeting, as presented.
4. ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

4.1 ASSESSMENT OF OPERATIONAL APPROACH OF FUNDING THE SAFE, CLEAN WATER AND NATURAL FLOOD PROTECTION PROGRAM’S B4 GOOD NEIGHBOR PROGRAM: ENCAMPMENT CLEANUP PROJECT IN FISCAL YEAR 2020 AND BEYOND

Ms. Melanie Richardson reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda.

The following attendees spoke on this agenda item: Ms. Gail Osmer, Ms. Deb Kramer, Mr. Robert Aguirre and Mr. Johne Davis.

The Homeless Encampment Ad Hoc Committee took the following action:

The Committee unanimously approved that the Board consider the Committee’s support of staff’s recommendations noted in A and B:

A. Receive operational approach of funding the Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program’s B4 Good Neighbor Program: Encampment Cleanup Project for Fiscal Year 2020 by supplementing the current Encampment Cleanup Project budget with additional funding from Watersheds Stream Stewardship Fund reserves, with subsequent year Encampment Cleanup Project funding to be determined by the Board on an annual basis for Fiscal Years 2021-2028, and

B. Recommend this operational approach of funding the Encampment Cleanup project for Board approval; or provide other feedback as the Homeless Encampment Ad Hoc Committee deems appropriate for Board consideration.

4.2 ANALYSIS OF CONCEPT, COST, AND POTENTIAL FUNDING FOR PROPOSED ENVIRONMENTAL CLEANUP DAY EVENT

Mr. Mark Bilski reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda.

The following spoke on this agenda item regarding the proposed cleanup site, partnerships, police coverage available lands or sites for the homeless, inviting volunteers and community outreach: Mr. Angel Rios, Jr., Ms. Jan Bernstein Chargin, Director Richard P. Santos, Mr. Donald Rocha, Mr. Robert Aguirre, Director Tony Estremera, Mr. Johne Davis, Mr. Chad Grande, Mr. Rick Callender, Ms. Melanie Richardson, Ms. Deb Kramer and Ms. Gail Osmer

The Homeless Encampment Ad Hoc Committee took the following action:

The Committee unanimously approved that the Board consider the Committee’s support of staff’s recommendations below:

To host an Environmental Cleanup Day event to engage government agencies, environmental advocates, homeless advocates, volunteers, and local homeless populations in a collaborative effort to perform environmental cleanup activities along Coyote Creek in San Jose.

5. CLERK REVIEW AND CLARIFICATION OF COMMITTEE REQUESTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Ms. Glenna Brambill stated there were two action items for Board consideration.

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Agenda Item 4.1
The Committee unanimously approved that the Board consider the Committee’s support of staff’s recommendations noted in A and B:
A. Receive operational approach of funding the Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program’s B4 Good Neighbor Program: Encampment Cleanup Project for Fiscal Year 2020 by supplementing the current Encampment Cleanup Project budget with additional funding from Watersheds Stream Stewardship Fund reserves, with subsequent year Encampment Cleanup Project funding to be determined by the Board on an annual basis for Fiscal Years 2021-2028, and
B. Recommend this operational approach of funding the Encampment Cleanup project for Board approval; or provide other feedback as the Homeless Encampment Ad Hoc Committee deems appropriate for Board consideration.

Agenda Item 4.2
The Committee unanimously approved that the Board consider the Committee’s support of staff’s recommendations To host an Environmental Cleanup Day event to engage government agencies, environmental advocates, homeless advocates, volunteers, and local homeless populations in a collaborative effort to perform environmental cleanup activities along Coyote Creek in San Jose.

6. ADJOURNMENT
Chair Director Richard P. Santos adjourned the meeting at 2:52 p.m.

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

Approved:
COMMITTEE AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Homeless Encampment Ad Hoc Committee

SUBJECT:
Update on Environmental Cleanup Day Event.

RECOMMENDATION:
Receive information and advise staff with regard to the Board Recommendation to host an Environmental Cleanup Day event that will engage government agencies, environmental advocates, homeless advocates, volunteers, and local unhoused populations in a collaborative effort to perform environmental cleanup activities along Coyote Creek in San Jose.

SUMMARY:
Environmental Cleanup Day Event

At its October 22 meeting, the Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water) Board approved the Homeless Encampment Ad Hoc Committee (Committee) recommendation to host an Environmental Cleanup Day on December 7, 2019. The Board also approved $90,000 in funding for this event.

Valley Water will be partnering with other local government agencies, social services providers, and a group of volunteers that includes homeless residents to clean trash and debris at three (3) sites in advance of the winter rains. After consulting with Watersheds Field Operations personnel, receiving partner input, and considering logistical issues, staff settled on the following cleanup site locations along Coyote Creek in San Jose: 1) Charcot Avenue to O’Toole Avenue, 2) Interstate 880 to East Brokaw Road, and 3) Coyote Creek at Corie Court (see Attachment 1).

Staff has reached out to potential partners such as the City of San Jose, Santa Clara County, and various advocacy groups and has received an enthusiastic response. Over the next several weeks, staff will continue shoring up the participant list and engaging the Valley Water volunteer network.

At the November 15th Committee meeting, staff will verbally provide the Committee with the latest update and seek to receive input and guidance as the Committee deems necessary.

ATTACHMENTS:
Attachment 1: Cleanup Site Locations

UNCLASSIFIED MANAGER:
Melanie Richardson, 408-630-2035
Environmental Cleanup Day Site Locations

Coyote Creek at O’Toole to Charcot (Site #1)

Site #1:
Coyote Creek at Brokaw to 880 (Site #2)

Site #2:
Coyote Creek at Corie Court (Site #3)

Site #3: