JOINT WATER RESOURCES COMMITTEE (CITY OF GILROY, CITY OF MORGAN HILL AND VALLEY WATER)

MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2019
8:30 AM

(Paragraph numbers coincide with agenda item numbers)

A meeting of the Joint Water Resources Committee (City of Gilroy, City of Morgan Hill and Valley Water) (Committee) was held on September 4, 2019, at the South County Regional Wastewater Authority Conference Room, 1500 Southside Dr., Gilroy, California.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL
A meeting of the Joint Recycled Water Committee (City of Gilroy, City of Morgan Hill and Valley Water) was called to order by Committee Chair Hon. Richard P. Santos at 9:15 a.m.

Committee Members in attendance were: City of Gilroy Council Member: Hon. Marie Blankley, City of Morgan Hill Council Member: Hon. Larry Carr; Valley Water Directors: Hon. Richard P. Santos, District 3, and Hon. John L. Varela, District 1.

Valley Water Staff members in attendance were: Gina Adriano, Hossein Ashktorab, Glenna Brambill, Jerry De La Piedra, Vanessa De La Piedra, Victoria Garcia and David Tucker.

City of Gilroy Staff Members in attendance were: Girum Awoke and Saeid Vaziry.

City of Morgan Hill Staff Members in attendance were: Anthony Eulo, Chris Ghione, Dan Repp and Christina Turner

Guest Attendees: Doug Muirhead, Chris Caine, Mengli Shi and Billy Wong (Stantec)

2. TIME OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY ITEM NOT ON THE AGENDA.
Mr. Doug Muirhead of Morgan Hill spoke about receiving an email from the State Water Resources Control Board on Revision 2 Direct Potable Reuse Framework, opening the public comment hearing.
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

3.1 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

It was moved by Hon. John L. Varela, seconded by Hon. Larry Carr and unanimously carried, to approve the minutes of the June 5, 2019, Joint Water Resources Committee (City of Gilroy, City of Morgan Hill and Valley Water) meeting, as presented.

4. **ACTION ITEMS**

4.1 **SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT ACT (SGMA) UPDATE**

Ms. Vanessa De La Piedra reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item.

The Joint Water Resources Committee discussed the following items: Does the State help the underserved, are voluntary agreements included, Central Valley report water used-agricultural zones, will this impact the District Act, SGMA may limit pumping, 2014 State enacted imposes rules already followed that other basins may be impacted, does Valley Water have authority/rights to review development plans of the cities/land use, discussion of development issues with the agencies needs to happen, Llagas basin, 2040 Master Plan, development tied to transportation but not water is a concern, partnerships, dams. Pacheco project and growth management.

Mr. Anthony Eulo and Mr. Doug Muirhead had questions regarding imported water, developers potentially offering sewage capacity, wastewater, drinking water, depth of wells and domestic shallow wells.

The Joint Water Resources Committee took no action.

4.2 **UPDATE ON COUNTYWIDE WATER REUSE MASTER PLAN**

Mr. David Tucker reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item.

The Joint Water Resources Committee discussed the following items: floating island, purifying process and technique of removing metals, levees along the project, pilot project at the Purification Center, potential tour for members to see the projects and question on how long water supply would last.

Ms. Vanessa De La Piedra was available to answer questions.

The Joint Water Resources Committee took no action.

4.3 **REVIEW JOINT WRC WITH CITIES OF GILROY/MORGAN HILL/SCRWA COMMITTEE WORK PLAN, THE OUTCOMES OF BOARD ACTION OF COMMITTEE REQUESTS; AND THE COMMITTEE’S NEXT MEETING AGENDA**

Ms. Glenna Brambill reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item.

The Committee discussed the following items: Place on next meeting’s agenda more information on the Countywide Water Reuse Master Plan and a discussion on the potential South County Treatment Plant. Also, having the discussion for Open Space Credit-
Sources of Revenue to Subsidize Agricultural Water Rates, Director Varela will advise if this item will be ready for the December meeting in October.

The Joint Water Resources Committee took no action.

5. **CLERK REVIEW AND CLARIFICATION OF COMMITTEE ACTIONS**  
Ms. Glenna Brambill reported there were no action items for Board consideration.

6. **ADJOURN**  
Chair Hon. Richard P. Santos adjourned at 10:22 a.m. to the next meeting on December 4, 2019.

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

Approved:  12-19-19