

RECYCLED WATER COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES-

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2021 11:00 AM

(Paragraph numbers coincide with agenda item numbers)

1. CALL TO ORDER:

A regular meeting of the Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water) Recycled Water Committee (Committee) was called to order via Zoom video teleconference at 11:00 a.m.

1.1 Roll Call.

Committee members participating by teleconference were District 3 Director R. Santos, District 7 Director G. Kremen, and District 6 Director T. Estremera, Chairperson presiding, constituting a quorum of the Committee.

Staff in attendance was E. Sans, Assistant Deputy Clerk II.

Staff participating by teleconference were H. Ashktorab, A. Baker, R. Barajas, H. Barrientos, B. Broome, A. Fulcher, V. Gin, E. Latedjou-Durant, M. Lugo, H. McMahon, D. Mody, L. Orta, M. Richardson, D. Rocha, M. Silva, M. Sinaki, K. Struve, C. Sun, D. Taylor, S. Tran, D. Tucker, K. Wong, and T. Yoke.

Also in attendance were Valley Water consultant contractors D. Chen, HDR, Inc.; P. Daniel, Liquisti, LLC; and S. Ziegler and J. Polsky-Sanchez, EMC Research.

District 4 Director L. LeZotte and District 1 Director J. Varela observed without participating in the meeting.

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

Chairperson Estremera declared time open for public comment on any item not on the agenda. There was no one present who wished to speak.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

3.1 Approval of Minutes.

Recommendation: Approve the minutes of the January 15, 2021 meeting.

The Committee considered the attached minutes of the January 15, 2021 meeting.

Move to Approve:

G. Kremen

Second:

T. Estremera

Yeas:

G. Kremen, T. Estremera

Nays: Abstains:

R. Santos

Recuses: Absent: None None

None

Summary:

2 Yeas; 0 Nays; 1 Abstains; 0 Absent.

4. ACTION ITEMS:

4.1 Nominate and Elect a Vice Chairperson for Calendar Year 2021.

Recommendation: Nominate and Elect a Vice Chairperson for Calendar Year

2021.

It was moved by Director Santos, seconded by Chairperson Estremera, and unanimously carried, to nominate and elect Director Kremen as 2021 Vice Chairperson.

4.2 Public Private Partnership Updates.

Recommendation:

- A. Receive update on negotiations with City of Palo Alto and Cities of San Jose and Santa Clara; and
- B. Receive update on the environmental process and Industry Day.

Ms. Kirsten Struve, Assistant Officer, reviewed the information on this item, per the attached Committee agenda memo.

The Committee requested that staff consider an interactive dialogue with private entities, similar to a pre-qualification process by the Valley Transport Authority, before coming up with a short list, and noted that Valley Water may benefit from experiences that will be shared by companies that have dealt with similar project challenges.

The Committee noted the information without formal action.

4.3 Agreements with Partner Cities San Jose, Santa Clara, and Palo Alto.

Recommendation: Receive information and provide feedback.

Ms. Struve reviewed the information on this item, per the attached Committee agenda memo.

Chairperson Estremera announced a meeting had been scheduled for him to meet with City of San Jose Mayor and Council Members, to ask for their active participation and discuss policy or any questions they may have. He said that a similar meeting was scheduled for Vice Chairperson Kremen with the City of Santa Clara Mayor and Council Members.

The Committee noted the information without formal action.

4.4 South County Recycled Water Collaboration.

Recommendation: Receive information and provide feedback.

Mr. David Tucker, Associate Civil Engineer, reviewed the information on this item, per the attached Committee Agenda Memo.

The Committee noted the information without formal action.

4.5 Presentation of Comprehensive Community Outreach and Engagement Plan for Purified Water Program.

Recommendation: Receive information and provide feedback.

Ms. Marta Lugo, Assistant Officer, reviewed the information on this item, per the attached Committee Agenda Memo, and the corresponding presentation materials contained in Attachment 1 were reviewed by staff as follows: Ms. Lugo, reviewed Slides 1 through 8, and 10 through 14, and Ms. Jessica Polsky-Sanchez, EMC Research Vice President, reviewed Slide 9.

The Committee noted the information without formal action.

4.6 Consider Recommendation to Amend the 2021 Legislative Guiding Principles to Include Revision of Principle (I)(A)(3) Regarding Recycled Water.

Recommendation: Approve Committee Recommendation to Board for

Amendment of the 2021 Legislative Guiding Principles to revise principle (I)(A)(3) regarding recycled water to bolster advocacy for direct potable reuse regulations.

Mr. Bart Broome, Assistant Officer, reviewed the information on this item, per the Committee agenda memo.

The Committee approved the recommendation to the Board for Amendment of the 2021 Legislative Guiding Principles to revise principle (I)(A)(3) regarding recycled water.

Move to Approve: R. Santos Second: G. Kremen

Yeas: G. Kremen, R. Santos, T. Estremera

Nays: None Abstains: None Recuses: None Absent: None Summary: 3 Yeas; 0 Nays; 0 Abstains; 0 Absent.

4.7 Discuss the 2021 Recycled Water Committee Work Plan, Upcoming Discussion Items, and Next Meeting Date.

Recommendation: Accept the updated 2021 Recycled Water Committee Work

Plan and provide feedback on upcoming discussion items

and meeting schedule.

The Committee acknowledged the updated 2021 work plan.

5. INFORMATION ITEMS:

None.

6. CLERK REVIEW AND CLARIFICATION OF COMMITTEE REQUESTS:

Ms. Sans confirmed that there were no new Committee Recommendations or Requests.

ADJOURN:

7.1 Chairperson Estremera adjourned the meeting at 12:00 p.m. to the next regularly scheduled meeting at 12:00 p.m. on March 24, 2021, 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.

Eva Marie Sans Assistant Deputy Clerk II

Approved:

Date: April 9, 2021