

#### WATER CONSERVATION AND DEMAND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

# **MINUTES**

# MONDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2021 11:00 AM

A regular scheduled meeting of the Water Conservation and Demand Management Committee was held on November 22, 2021, via zoom in San Jose, California.

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair Director Linda J. LeZotte called the meeting to order at 11:03 a.m.

## 1.1. ROLL CALL

Committee Board Members in attendance were: Committee Vice Chair, Director Nai Hsueh (District 5), Director Barbara Keegan (District 2), Committee Chair, Director Linda J. LeZotte (District 4) establishing a quorum.

Staff members in attendance were: Joseph Aranda, Meghan Azralon, Aaron Baker, Glenna Brambill, Bart Broome, Justin Burks, Rick Callender, Theresa Chinte, George Cook, Vanessa De La Piedra, Phil Dolan, Mike Duffy, Melissa Fels, Anthony Fulcher, Paola Giles, Vincent Gin, Andy Gschwind, Jason Gurdak, Linh Hoang, Matt Keller, Candice Kwok-Smith, Carlos Orellana, Roger Pierno, Colin Resch, Melanie Richardson, Metra Richert, Mary Samar, Ashley Shannon, Kirsten Struve, Gregory Williams, and Jing Wu.

Guest Agencies in attendance were: Brian Boyer (Cinnabar Hills Golf Club), Michael Bolzowski (California Water Service Company), Jeff Cattaneo (San Benito County Water District), Kurt Elvert (San Jose Water Company) and Tim Guster (Great Oaks Water Company), Dominic Guiterrez (Department of Water Resources-DWR) and Iris Priestaf (Todd Groundwater).

Public in attendance was: Director Tony Estremera (Valley Water Board Chair, District 6) and Doug Muirhead.

# 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

## 3.1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Director Nai Hsueh, seconded by Director Barbara Keegan, and carried by roll call and unanimous vote, to approve the minutes of the October 25, 2021, Water Conservation and Demand Management Committee meeting as presented.

#### 4. ACTION ITEMS

# 4.1 MONTHLY UPDATE ON PROGRESS TOWARDS VALLEY WATER RESOLUTION 21-68'S WATER USE REDUCTION TARGET AND WATER CONSERVATION EFFORTS RELATED TO THE DROUGHT EMERGENCY

Ms. Kirsten Struve reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda items.

The Water Conservation and Demand Management Committee discussed the following: SFPUC Water, digital billboards, water restrictions/allocations, San Jose Water's meeting informing customers of their surcharges and incorporated 'lessons learned,' thanked staff for shortening waiting time on water conservation requests/shopping cart, adoption of MWENDO, VALLCO and other development projects, recycled water, suggested having an award celebrating those taking water conservation practices and/or measures, normal health safety category, and water wasters being held accountable.

Committee Vice Chair Director Nai Hsueh reported on attending the SCVWD Youth Commission's November meeting and suggested that one of their focus items be on water conservation being a way of life for their 2022 year.

Mr. Aaron Baker and Mr. Bart Broome were available to answer questions.

The Water Conservation and Demand Management Committee took no action.

# **4.2 OVERVIEW OF THE NORTH SAN BENITO GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN**Dr. Iris Priestaf of Todd Groundwater reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda items

The Water Conservation and Demand Management Committee took the following action: It was moved by Director Nai Hsueh, second by Director Barbara Keegan and by roll call and unanimous vote to recommend bringing the North San Benito Groundwater Sustainability Plan to the December 14, 2021, Board of Directors meeting for public hearing and plan adoption.

# 4.3 ZONE OF CONTROLLED DRINKING WATER WELL CONSTRUCTION FOR THE PURIFIED WATER PROJECT

Mr. George Cook reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda items.

The Water Conservation and Demand Management Committee took no action.

## 4.4 STANDING ITEMS REPORT

Committee Chair Linda J. LeZotte reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda items.

Ms. Metra Richert gave a verbal update that the Agricultural Water Use Baseline Study update will be coming to the Committee in January 2022.

The Water Conservation and Demand Management Committee took no action.

# 4.5 REVIEW WATER CONSERVATION AND DEMAND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE WORK PLAN, THE OUTCOMES OF BOARD ACTION OF COMMITTEE REQUESTS; AND THE COMMITTEE'S NEXT MEETING AGENDA

Committee Vice Chair Director Nai Hsueh, Ms. Glenna Brambill and Ms. Kirsten Struve reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda items.

Agenda Items for next meeting:

Monthly Drought Information and Standing Items Report Separate the bulleted additional items #9 from the work plan.

The Committee agreed to change the next regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, December 27, 2021, at 11:00 a.m. to Monday, December 20, 2021, at 11:00 a.m.

## 5. CLERK REVIEW AND CLARIFICATION OF COMMITTEE'S REQUESTS

Ms. Glenna Brambill stated there was one action item for Board consideration.

Agenda Item 4.2.

The Water Conservation and Demand Management Committee by roll call and unanimous vote to recommend bringing the North San Benito Groundwater Sustainability Plan to the December 14, 2021, Board of Directors meeting for public hearing and plan adoption.

#### 6. ADJOURNMENT

Committee Chair Director Linda J. LeZotte adjourned at 12:12 p.m., to the next regularly scheduled meeting Monday, December 20, 2021, 11:00 a.m.

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

Approved: 12-20-2021