



SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT (VALLEY WATER)
WATER STORAGE EXPLORATORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

**MONDAY, JULY 13, 2020
3:00 PM**

(Paragraph numbers coincide with agenda item numbers)

A regular meeting of the Water Storage Exploratory Committee (Committee) was held on July 13, 2020, via Zoom Meeting at Valley Water, 5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, California.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Water Storage Exploratory Committee was called to order by Chair Director Gary Kremen at 3:02 p.m.

1.1 ROLL CALL

Board Members in attendance were: Director Gary Kremen-District 7, Director Richard P. Santos-District 3, and Director John L. Varela-District 1.

Staff in attendance were: Aaron Baker, Erin Baker, Lisa Bankosh, Glenna Brambill, Frances Brewster, Domingo Candelas, Jerry De La Piedra, Mark DeMartini, Vincent Gin, Samantha Greene, Andy Gschwind, Christopher Hakes, Garth Hall, Brian Hopper, Katrina Jessop, Cindy Kao, Eric Leitterman, Kathleen Low, Bill Magleby, Michael Martin, Ryan McCarter, Heath McMahon, Steven Peters, Melanie Richardson, Metra Richert, Don Rocha, Eli Serrano, Charlene Sun and Beckie Zisser.

Guests in attendance were: Anthea Hansen and Chris White (Del Puerto), Marguerite Patil (Contra Costa Water District-CCWD, Tim Francis, Steve Jordan, and Danielle McPherson (BAWSCA), Bill Tuttle (San Jose Water Company) Mourad Attalla, Andrew Bell, David Cramer, Reid Fisher, Catherine Matsuiyo Tompkison, Michelle Shiro, Grace Silverboard, Bob Green, Phil Gregory, Katja Irvin, Leslie Moulton, David Niese, Nancy Walker, and Javed.

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

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It was moved by Director Richard P. Santos, seconded by Director John L. Varela, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the January 15, 2020, meeting of the Water Storage Exploratory Committee as presented by roll call vote and all Directors voting yes!

4. ACTION ITEMS

4.1 DEL PUERTO CANYON RESERVOIR UPDATE

Ms. Anthea Hansen and Mr. Chris White reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item.

The Committee (Directors Kremen, Santos and Varela) discussed the following: project WIIN ACT funding, feasibility study, CEQA almost completed, alternate locations, banking projects, finances, economy, costs, likes/dislikes of potential partners, legality of park, permitting, acre foot costs, critical and non-critical years, nature enthusiasts/interested agencies, and outreach. The Committee had questions from Dave Cramer and Phil Gregory, regarding; hard bids, construction, costs, design concerns and small business opportunities.

Ms. Anthea Hansen and Mr. Chris White were available to answer questions.

The Committee took no action.

4.2 LOS VAQUEROS RESERVOIR EXPANSION PROJECT: STORAGE, TRANSFER-BETHANY PIPELINE, AND SOUTH BAY AQUEDUCT CAPACITY

Ms. Samantha Greene reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item.

The Committee (Directors Kremen, Santos and Varela) discussed the following: Conveyance/storage capacity, multi-party agreement (MPA) expiration June 2020 and extension unto December 2020, South Bay Aqueduct (SBA) poor condition, payments, agencies and the shared cost (Zone 7, Alameda), DWR's feasibility study, Anderson Dam fault concerns, LAP-new water and diversification of storage.

Ms. Erin Baker reported that she is working with SBA/DWR and contractors (Brown and Caldwell) regarding capacity availability and the MPA that has expired and the quarterly payments. Discussed the agreement coming back to the Committee before going to the Full Board.

The Committee received a question from Mr. Steve Jordan on estimated cost for conveyance and if it will be done for storage.

Mr. Jerry De La Piedra, Ms. Metra Richert and Ms. Marguerite Patil (CCWD) were available to answer questions. Cost concerns can be found in the Water Supply Master Plan online.

The Committee took the following action:

It was moved by Director John L. Varela seconded by Director Richard P. Santos, and unanimously carried to approve the Committee's recommendation to approve staff's

recommendation to bring Amendment 2 to the 2019 Multi-Party Agreement to the Board of Directors for its consideration by roll call vote and all Directors voting yes! One footnote, Committee requested that updated information come back to the Committee before going to the full Board.

4.3 SECOND AMENDMENT TO 2019 RESERVOIR PROJECT AGREEMENT FOR CONTINUED PARTICIPATION IN THE SITES RESERVOIR PROJECT

Ms. Cindy Kao reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item.

The Committee (Directors Kremen, Santos and Varela) discussed the following: can support this project but where are the funds coming from, minimum participation in next year's budget, pros and cons, local water vs outside water, and low and high range levels for

The Committee received a question from Mr. Steve Jordan does the yield go up in drought years.

Mr. Jerry De La Piedra and Mr. Garth Hall were available to answer questions.

The Committee took no action, however, before taking any action, requested more information on the agreement/project for further discussion at the next meeting.

Chair Director Kremen moved to Agenda 4.5

4.5 UPDATE ON PACHECO RESERVOIR EXPANSION/SAN LUIS LOW POINT IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

Mr. Ryan McCarter reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item.

The Committee (Directors Kremen, Santos and Varela) discussed the following: Prop funding, EIR data, WSIP funding, public scoping meeting in late September 2020 or early October 2020 for public input and partner discussions.

The Committee took no action.

Chair Director Kremen moved to Agenda 4.4

4.4 UPDATE ON THE B. F. SISK DAM RAISE PROJECT

Ms. Cindy Kao reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item.

The Committee (Directors Kremen, Santos and Varela) discussed the following: Project relocation costs, raising cost significant and support from environmentalists.

The Committee took no action.

Chair Director Kremen moved to Agenda 4.6

4.6 REVIEW WATER STORAGE EXPLORATORY COMMITTEE WORK PLAN AND THE COMMITTEE'S NEXT MEETING AGENDA

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

Committee discussed LVE/SBA, Pacheco, Sites and San Luis Reservoir Low Point costs for continued discussion.

Staff will work with Chair Kremen on next meeting's agenda.

5. CLERK REVIEW AND CLARIFICATION OF COMMITTEE ACTIONS

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

Agenda 4.2

The Committee took the following action:

The Committee recommended approving staff's recommendation to bring Amendment 2 to the 2019 Multi-Party Agreement to the Board of Directors for its consideration by roll call vote and all Directors voting aye! One footnote, Committee requested that updated information come back to the Committee before going to the full Board.

6. 6.1 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

Govt. Code Sec. 54956.9(d)(1)

SCVWD v. Jin, et al., Santa Clara County Superior Court, No. 19CV352227

6.2 DISTRICT COUNSEL REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Brian Hopper reported that direction was given to staff.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Director Gary Kremen adjourned the meeting at 5:43 p.m.

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

Approved: 08-21-2020