

**WESTERN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE
ENGINEERING, OPERATIONS AND WATER RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEETING
OF THE WHOLE
OF NOVEMBER 4, 2024**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Director Mike Gardner called the Engineering, Operations, and Water Resources Committee Meeting of the Whole to order at 10:30 a.m., On Monday, November 4, 2024, in the Western Municipal Water District Training Room, 14205 Meridian Parkway, Riverside, California.

2. ROLL CALL

Directors Present

Brenda Dennstedt, Board Member

Mike Gardner, President

Laura Roughton, Vice President

Roll call of the Board of Directors was taken by Board Secretary Tammi Ford. Roll call was not conducted for Staff or members of the public.

The committee took a recess at 11:30 a.m. and reconvened at 11:46 a.m.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Members of the public may address the Committee regarding any item within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Committee; however, no action may be taken on off-agenda items unless authorized by law. Comments shall be limited to matters not listed on the agenda. Members of the public may comment on any matter listed on the agenda at the time that the Committee considers that matter. Each individual's comment is limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes, however, the Presiding Officer reserves the right to reduce the amount of time each individual can speak in order to ensure all members of the public have an opportunity to comment.

None.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

Consent Calendar items are expected to be routine and non-controversial and are to be acted upon by the Committee by one motion, without discussion. If any Committee member, staff member, or interested person requests that an item be removed from the Consent Calendar for further discussion, it will be moved to the first item on the Action Agenda.

A. Approve the Minutes of the September 30, 2024 Engineering, Operations, and Water Resources Committee Meeting of the Whole

Committee members approved the minutes of the September 30, 2024 Engineering, Operations, and Water Resources Committee Meeting of the Whole, with no changes.

5. ITEMS TO BE ADDED TO THE AGENDA

(If any) In accordance with Section 54954.2 of the Government Code, upon determination by a two-thirds vote of the legislative body, or, if less than two-thirds of the members are present, a unanimous vote of those members present that there is a need to take action, and the need to take action arose after the agenda was posted

None.

6. UPCOMING BOARD ITEMS/RECOMMENDATIONS TO BE MADE TO THE FULL BOARD

The following items on the Agenda call for discussion and action by the Committee. All items are placed on the Agenda so that the Committee may discuss and take action on the item, if the Committee is so inclined.

A. Approve the Purchase of One Tier 4 Off-Road Backhoe Loader in Compliance with New Regulatory Requirements

This item was presented by: Alex Chang, Field Operations Manager

Committee Recommendation: Forward Item 6A to the full Board of Directors for consideration.

B. Approve a Professional Services Agreement with AARC Consultants, LLC to Assist with American Water Infrastructure Act Five-Year Compliance Requirements

This item was presented by: Anita Wilcox, Senior Management Analyst

Committee Recommendation: Forward Item 6B to the full Board of Directors for consideration.

C. Award a Professional Services Contract to NorthSouth GIS, LLC for Water and Sewer Utility Global Positioning System Field Survey Services in the Murrieta and Rainbow Service Areas

This item was presented by: Robert Conrad, Application Specialist IV

Committee Recommendation: Forward Item 6C to the full Board of Directors for consideration.

D. Authorize the General Manager to Execute a Cost Sharing Letter Agreement with San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District for the Preparation of the Preliminary Viability Assessment of Forecast-Informed Reservoir Operations at Seven Oaks Dam

This item was presented by: Mallory O'Connor, Water Resources Manager

Committee Recommendation: Forward Item 6D to the full Board of Directors for consideration.

E. Amend Three Professional Services Contracts for the Magnolia Avenue Interconnection with Riverside Public Utilities Project (W-289)

This item was presented by: Derek Kawaii, Director of Engineering

Committee Recommendation: Forward Item 6E to the full Board of Directors for consideration.

F. Adopt Resolution 3331, A Mitigated Negative Declaration for The Jefferson Avenue Interconnection Project, and Approve a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, (W-

317)

This item was presented by: Derek Kawaii, Director of Engineering

Committee Recommendation: Forward Item 6F to the full Board of Directors for consideration.

G. Approve a Project Budget increase, Award Three Contracts, and Allocate Funds for Tribal Monitoring for the Jefferson Avenue Interconnection Project (W-317)

This item was presented by: Derek Kawaii, Director of Engineering

Committee Recommendation: Forward Item 6G to the full Board of Directors for consideration.

7. REPORTS

The following agenda items are reports. They are placed on the Agenda to provide information to the Board and the public. There is no action called for in these items.

A. GENERAL MANAGER REPORT

1. Long Lead Time Strategies

Maribel Arimas, Operations Field Manager and Luis Cardenas, Principal Engineer, provided an update on engineering and operations department strategies to manage long lead times for materials and parts. They discussed the typical long lead times Western Water is experiencing, and ways to keep ahead of potential issues, including inventory control practices.

B. ENGINEERING REPORT

None.

C. OPERATIONS REPORT

None.

D. WATER RESOURCES REPORT

1. Update on Mills Pipeline Capacity Purchase Agreement with Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District

Mallory O'Connor, Water Resources Manager, provided an update on the purchase agreement with Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District for the Mills Pipeline Capacity Agreement. She noted that this agreement will be coming directly to the Board of Directors for consideration at its November 20, 2024 meeting.

E. DIRECTOR'S REPORT AND REQUESTS

None.

8. NEXT MEETING

A. Monday, December 2, 2024 at 10:30 a.m.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the Committee, Director Gardner adjourned the meeting at 12:05 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Board Secretary Tammi Ford.