

The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

The mission of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California is to provide its service area with adequate and reliable supplies of high-quality water to meet present and future needs in an environmentally and economically responsible way.

Agenda

Board of Directors - Final - Revised 1

October 14, 2025

2:30 PM

Tuesday, October 14, 2025 Meeting Schedule
08:30 a.m. FAAME 10:30 a.m. LEGAL 12:00 p.m. Break 12:30 p.m. OPE 02:30 p.m. BOD

Written public comments received by 3:00 p.m. the business day before the meeting is scheduled will be posted under the Submitted Items and Responses tab available here: <https://mwdh2o.legistar.com/Legislation.aspx>.

The listen-only phone line is available at 1-877-853-5257; enter meeting ID: 891 1613 4145.

Members of the public may present their comments to the Board on matters within their jurisdiction as listed on the agenda via teleconference and in-person. To provide public comment by teleconference dial 1-833-548-0276 and enter meeting ID: 815 2066 4276 or to join by computer [click here](#).

Disclaimer: Written and oral public comments are received in compliance with the Ralph M. Brown Act. Please note that Metropolitan does not endorse or ensure the accuracy or reliability of the information provided as public comment or by third parties.

MWD Headquarters Building • 700 N. Alameda Street • Los Angeles, CA 90012

Teleconference Locations:

City Hall • 303 W. Commonwealth Avenue, Chamber • Fullerton, CA 92832

3008 W. 82nd Place • Inglewood, CA 90305

Santa Ana City Hall • 20 Civic Center Plaza, 8th Floor • Santa Ana, CA 92701

Alhambra Insurance Agency • 337 West Foothill Boulevard • Glendora, CA 91740

Scripps Institution of Oceanography, MESOM 208 • 8885 Biological Grade • La Jolla, CA 92037

Peters Ridge • 2136 Spyglass Trail West • Oxnard, CA 93036

1. Call to Order

- a. Invocation: Director Raymond Jay, City of Torrance
- b. Pledge of Allegiance: Vice Chair of the Board Juan Garza, Central Basin Municipal Water District

2. Roll Call

3. Determination of a Quorum

4. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Board on matters within the Board's jurisdiction. (As required by Gov. Code §54954.3(a))

5. OTHER MATTERS AND REPORTS

- A.** Report on Directors' Events Attended at Metropolitan's Expense [21-5054](#)

Attachments: [10142025 BOD 5A Report](#)

- B.** Chair's Monthly Activity Report [21-5055](#)

- C.** General Manager's summary of activities [21-5056](#)

- D.** General Counsel's summary of activities [21-5057](#)

- E.** General Auditor's summary of activities [21-5058](#)

Attachments: [10142025 BOD 5E Report](#)

- F.** Ethics Officer's summary of activities [21-5059](#)

- G.** Presentation of 5-year Service Pin to Director Matt Petersen representing City of Los Angeles [21-5063](#)

- H.** Induction of new Director Dan Denham representing San Diego County Water Authority [21-5064](#)
- (a) Receive credentials
 - (b) Report on credentials by General Counsel
 - (c) File credentials
 - (d) Administer Oath of Office
 - (e) File Oath

Attachments: [10142025 BOD 5H Report](#)

**** CONSENT CALENDAR ****

6. BOARD CONSENT ITEMS

- A.** Approve Commendatory Resolution for Director S. Gail Goldberg representing San Diego County Water Authority [21-5060](#)

- B.** Approval Minutes of the Special Joint Meeting of the Board of Directors and Organizational Personnel, and Effectiveness Committee for June 13, 2025 and the Special Joint meeting of the Board of Directors and Executive Committee and Workshop on Engineering, Operations, and Technology Committee for June 24, 2025 and of the meeting of the Board of Directors for August 19, 2025 [21-5132](#)
- C.** Approve Committee Assignments

7. BOARD LETTERS CONSENT

- 7-1** Amend the Capital Investment Plan for fiscal years 2024/25 and 2025/26 to include invasive mussel mitigation and control at Metropolitan facilities; and authorize an increase of \$500,000 in the operating equipment budget for the current biennium to purchase equipment to control the growth of invasive mussels; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EOT) [21-5067](#)

Attachments: [10142025 EOT 7-1 B-L](#)

- 7-2** Authorize the General Manager to grant a permanent easement to the City of Rialto for a public road including the construction an maintenance and appurtenant utility purposes, on Metropolitan fee-owned property in the County of San Bernardino and identified as Assessor Parcel Number 0239-301-23; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (FAAME) [21-5069](#)

Attachments: [10142025 FAAME 7-2 B-L](#)
[10142025 FAAME 7-2 Presentation](#)

- 7-3** Authorize the execution of an amendment to an existing lease agreement with New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC to adjust the rental amount and extend the term for up to 25 additional years, thereby allowing continued operation of a commercial telecommunication site at the Iron Mountain Pumping Plant identified as San Bernardino County Assessor Parcel No. 0643-221-06; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA. [REVISED SUBJECT on 10/3/2025] (FAAME) [21-5070](#)

Attachments: [10142025 FAAME 7-3 B-L](#)
[10142025 FAAME 7-3 Presentation](#)

- 7-4** Approve Emergency Event Member Agency Payment Deferment Program, Amend the Administrative Code to add Section 4520 to implement the Program, and Delegate Authority to the General Manager to administer the Program; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (FAAME) **21-5071**

Attachments: [10142025 FAAME 7-4 B-L](#)

- 7-5** Adopt a resolution authorizing electronic submissions of Government Code claims, any amendment thereto, and applications for leave to present a late claim, pursuant to Government Code section 915(a)(3), and approve amendments and an addition to the Metropolitan Water District Administrative Code to conform to the authority set forth in the resolution; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA. [REVISED SUBJECT 10/6/2025] (LC) **21-5073**

- 7-6** Authorize and fund additional counsel position in the Office of the General Counsel; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (LC) **21-5074**

Attachments: [10142025 LC 7-6 B-L](#)

- 7-7** Authorize on-call agreements with Helix Environmental Planning, Inc. and Rincon Consultants, Inc. in amounts not to exceed \$2 million each and ECORP Consulting, Inc., Dudek, and Environmental Science Associates in amounts not to exceed \$1 million each, for a maximum of five years for environmental planning services; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (OWA) **21-5076**

Attachments: [10142025 OWA 7-7 B-L](#)
[10132025 OWA 7-7 Presentation](#)

- 7-8** Adopt a resolution designating authorized agents for funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the California Office of Emergency Services; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (OPE) **21-5082**

Attachments: [10142025 OPE 7-8 B-L](#)

- 7-9** Award a \$6,412,126 contract to Houalla Enterprises Ltd. DBA Metro Builders & Engineers Group Ltd. to rehabilitate and improve a chemical feed facility at the Robert B. Diemer Water Treatment Plant; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EOT) **[21-5068](#)**

Attachments: [10142025 EOT 7-9 B-L](#)

**** END OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS ****

8. BOARD LETTERS (ACTION)

- 8-1** Appropriate an additional \$30 million for projects identified in the Capital Investment Plan for Fiscal Years 2024/25 and 2025/26, increasing the biennial Capital Investment Plan appropriation to \$666.48 million; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EOT) **[21-5066](#)**

Attachments: [10142025 EOT 8-1 B-L](#)

- 8-2** Authorize an agreement with TBD to provide security guard services for a maximum period of five years at a total cost not-to-exceed \$TBD million; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA. [DEFERRED on 9/30/2025] (OPE) **[21-5080](#)**

- 8-3** Authorize an extension to June 30, 2026, on the existing 5-year contract with Securitas to provide security guard services; and authorize an increase of \$6 million in funding for the contract to a new not-to-exceed amount of \$61 million; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA. [REVISED SUBJECT 10/3/2025] (OPE) **[21-5081](#)**

- 8-4** Amend the Administrative Code to grant authority to the Ethics Officer to conduct ethics-related reviews of policies, procedures, and practices for the purpose of making recommendations that help foster an ethical culture and prevent ethics violations in support of SB 60; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA. [REVISED SUBJECT 9/30/2025] (CWC) **[21-5065](#)**

- 8-5** Report on Oswalt v. The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, San Diego County Superior Court Case No. 37-2023-00009934-CU-PO-NC; authorize an increase in maximum amount payable under contract for legal services with Ryan and Associates in the amount of \$100,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$350,000 and consider authorizing settlement; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [Conference with legal counsel—existing litigation; to be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)]. [REVISED SUBJECT 10/3/2025] (LC) [21-5075](#)
- 8-6** Report on Jones v. The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, Los Angeles County Superior Court Case No. 23STCV28217 and consider authorizing settlement; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [Conference with legal counsel—existing litigation; to be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)] (LC) [21-5124](#)
- 8-7** Update on negotiations and approve entering into Reopener Agreement between The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California and The Supervisors Association of The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [Conference with Labor Negotiators; to be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code 54957.6. Metropolitan representatives: Katano Kasaine, Assistant General Manager, Chief Financial Officer and Gifty J. Beets, Human Resources Section Manager of Labor Relations. Employee organization: The Supervisors Association of The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California]. [ADDED SUBJECT 9/30/2025] (OPE) [21-5134](#)

9. BOARD ITEMS (INFORMATIONAL)

- 9-1** Report on Conservation Program [21-5079](#)
- 9-2** Integrated overview of near-term budget drivers and long-term resource planning (FAAME) [21-5072](#)

Attachments: [10142025 FAAME 9-2 B-L](#)

10. OTHER MATTERS

- 10-1** Public Employee Appointment – General Manager [To be heard in closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957] [21-5061](#)

- 10-2** Approve employment agreement for incoming General Manager; [21-5062](#)
the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is
exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA

11. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

13. ADJOURNMENT

NOTE: Each agenda item with a committee designation will be considered and a recommendation may be made by one or more committees prior to consideration and final action by the full Board of Directors. The committee designation appears in parenthesis at the end of the description of the agenda item, e.g. (EOT). Board agendas may be obtained on Metropolitan's Web site <https://mwdh2o.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>

Writings relating to open session agenda items distributed to Directors less than 72 hours prior to a regular meeting are available for public inspection at Metropolitan's Headquarters Building and on Metropolitan's Web site <https://mwdh2o.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>.

Requests for a disability-related modification or accommodation, including auxiliary aids or services, in order to attend or participate in a meeting should be made to the Board Executive Secretary in advance of the meeting to ensure availability of the requested service or accommodation.