

# The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

# Agenda

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## Exec Committee

A. Ortega, Chair  
J. Abdo, Board Vice Chair  
M. Camacho, Board Vice Chair  
S. Goldberg, Board Vice Chair  
H. Repenning, Board Vice Chair  
L. Fong-Sakai, Board Secretary  
G. Cordero  
D. Erdman  
G. Gray  
F. Jung  
M. Luna  
T. McCoy  
B. Pressman  
T. Quinn  
M. Ramos  
T. Smith  
N. Sutley

## **Executive Committee**

Meeting with Board of Directors \*

**June 27, 2023**

**1:45 p.m.**

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**Tuesday, June 27, 2023  
Meeting Schedule**

**08:30 a.m. BOD Wksp - EOP**  
**11:00 a.m. BOD Wksp - LTRPPBM**  
**01:45 p.m. Exec**  
**03:45 p.m. PWSCRC**  
**03:45 p.m. Audits**

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

Teleconference Locations:

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

3008 W. 82nd Place • Inglewood, CA 90305

13 Pumphouse Rd. • Garden Valley, ID 83622

8700 Beverly Boulevard, Ste M313 • Los Angeles, CA 90048

1370 North Brea Boulevard, Ste 235 • Fullerton, CA 92835

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- 1. Opportunity for members of the public to address the committee on matters within the committee's jurisdiction (As required by Gov. Code Section 54954.3(a))**
- 2. Voices of Met (Spotlight on Advancing Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion – Employee Perspectives)**
- 3. OTHER MATTERS AND REPORTS**

- a. Chair's Report
- b. General Manager's report of Metropolitan activities
- c. General Counsel's report of Metropolitan activities
- d. General Auditor's report of Metropolitan activities
- e. Ethics Officer's report of Metropolitan activities
- f. Report from Engineering, Operations, and Technology Committee
- g. Report from Equity, Inclusion, and Affordability Committee
- h. Report from Ethics, Organization, and Personnel Committee
- i. Report from Finance, Audit, Insurance, and Real Property Committee
- j. Report from Legal and Claims Committee
- k. Report from Legislation, Regulatory Affairs, and Communication Committee
- l. Report from One Water and Stewardship Committee

**\*\* CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION \*\***

**4. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION**

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting of May 23, 2023 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, Any additions, corrections, or omissions) [21-2205](#)

**Attachments:** [06272023 Exec \(05232023\) Minutes](#)

- B. Approve draft Committee and Board meeting agendas and schedule for July 2023 [21-2454](#)

**Attachments:** [07112023 4B Draft Agenda Packet](#)

**5. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION**

NONE

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

**6. OTHER COMMITTEE ITEMS - ACTION**

NONE

**7. COMMITTEE INFORMATION ITEMS**

NONE

**8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS**

NONE

**9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

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**THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**

**MINUTES**

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**May 23, 2023**

Chair Ortega called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Chair Ortega welcomed guest Shana E. Epstein, Public Works Director, City of Beverly Hills to participate in the Committee meeting with the exception of voting.

Chair Ortega announced at this time that we do not have any Directors participating in the meeting utilizing AB 2449. We have members participating on Zoom, so we will complete a verbal roll call of committee members.

Members present: Directors Abdo, Camacho, Cordero, Erdman, Goldberg, Gray (entered after roll call, teleconference posted location), Jung (entered after roll call, AB 2449), Luna, McCoy, Ortega, Pressman, Ramos, Repenning, Smith, and Sutley.

Director Jung participated under (AB2449) “just cause” regarding official legislative business travel.

Members absent: Director Fong-Sakai, and Quinn.

Other Board members present: Directors Ackerman, Alvarez, Atwater, De Jesus, Fellow, Garza, Kurtz, Lefevre, McMillian, Miller (teleconference posted location), Morris, and Seckel

Committee staff present: Beatty, Chapman, Hagekhalil, Hudson, Kasaine, Scully, Shope, Sims, Suzuki, Upadhyay, and Wheeler.

**1. OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COMMITTEE ON MATTERS WITHIN THE COMMITTEE'S JURISDICTION**

Name	Affiliation	Item
1. Caty Wagner	Sierra Club of California	Governor Newsom proposed infrastructure news

**2. VOICES OF MET (SPOTLIGHT ON ADVANCING DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION – EMPLOYEE PERSPECTIVES)**

Chair Ortega called on Phyvin Mok, Senior Admin Analyst SRI Group and President of the Asian American Employee Organization, to present the item.

### 3. OTHER MATTERS AND REPORTS

a. Subject: Chair's Report

Presented by: Chair Adán Ortega

Chair Ortega reported on the following:

- Report on the attendance at the first inaugural One Water Awards ceremony

b. Subject: General Manager's Report of Metropolitan activities

Presented by: General Manager Adel Hagekhalil

General Manager Hagekhalil reported on the following:

- Reported on the One Water Awards ceremony and the six agencies that received awards for their efficiency programs
- Update on the Colorado River Negotiations
- Update on the Governor's Executive Order
- Update on the Department of Water Resources auditor report
- Update on State Water Project Dependent areas request and grant

c. Subject: General Counsel's report of Metropolitan activities

Presented by: General Counsel Marcia L. Scully

General Counsel Scully stated she had nothing to add to her report.

d. Subject: General Auditor's report of Metropolitan activities

Presented by: General Auditor Scott Suzuki

General Auditor Suzuki stated he had nothing to add to his report.

e. Subject: Ethics Officer's report of Metropolitan activities

Presented by: Assistant Ethics Officer Kelli Shope

Assistant Ethics Officer Shope stated she had nothing to add to the report.

Directors Jung, Gray, and Miller entered the meeting.

Chair Ortega announced that the Legal and Claims Committee will not meet in June.

f. Subject: Report from Engineering, Operations, and Technology

Presented by: Committee Chair Erdman

Committee Chair Erdman announced that the Committee will consider the following two consent items:

- Authorize agreements with AECOM Technical Services, Inc. and CDM Smith Inc., each in an amount not to exceed \$800,000, for water desalination studies in Metropolitan's service area.
- Amend the Capital Investment Plan for fiscal years 2022/2023 and 2023/2024 to include three projects: (1) Jensen Administration Building column panel replacement; (2) Skinner chemical storage tanks replacement; and (3) Auld Valley and Red Mountain Control Structures upgrade; and award a \$281,900 contract to MMJ Contracting, Inc. to replace the existing entrance column panels at the Jensen Administration Building.

And two action items:

- Authorize on-call agreements with Kennedy Jenks Consultants, Inc., Lee & Ro, Inc., and Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., in amounts not to exceed \$10 million each, for a maximum of five years for engineering services.
- Award a \$16,490,000 contract to J. F. Shea Construction, Inc. to replace equipment storage buildings at three Colorado River Aqueduct pumping plants.

The Committee will consider the following two committee items:

- Metropolitan's Dam Safety Program
- Capital Investment Plan Quarterly Report for the Period Ending March 2023

Lastly, the Committee will hear three management report(s):

- Water System Operations Manager's report
- Engineering Services Manager's report
- Information Technology Manager's report

g. Subject: Report from Equity, Inclusion, and Affordability Committee

Presented by: Committee Chair McCoy

Committee Chair McCoy announced that the Committee will hear the one committee item:

- DEI Assessment Report

Lastly, the Committee will hear the management report

- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Manager's Report

h. Subject: Report from Ethics, Organization, and Personnel Committee

Presented by: Committee Chair Ramos

Committee Chair Ramos announced that the Committee will hear the one action item:

- Approve entering into 2022-2026 Memorandum of Understanding between The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California and The Supervisors Association of The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

The Committee will consider the following three committee items:

- Ethics Officer's Annual Plan for Fiscal year 2023/2024
- Contractor Code of Conduct
- Update on Apprenticeship Program

The following item has been added to the June draft agenda

- Update on Department Head evaluation process and timeline for fiscal year 2022/23

Three management report(s):

- Ethics Officer's report
- Human Resources Manager's Report
- Equal Employment Opportunity Manager's report

i. Subject: Report from Finance, Audit, Insurance, and Real Property Committee

Presented by: Committee Chair Smith

Committee Chair Smith announced that the Committee will hear two Subcommittee reports:

- Report from Subcommittee on Audits
- Report from Subcommittee on Long-Term Regional Planning Processes and Business Modeling

The Committee will hear four action items:

- Approve the purchase of insurance coverage for Metropolitan's Property and Casualty Insurance Program for fiscal year 2023/24
- Approve Metropolitan's Statement of Investment Policy for fiscal year 2023/24, delegate authority to the Treasurer to invest Metropolitan's funds for fiscal year 2023/24
- Authorize the General Manager to execute six lease amendments and two new license agreements with various landowners or site operators for the installation and upgrade of telecommunication equipment and changes in the premises at existing telecom sites known as Edom Hill, Vidal Junction, Crossman Peak, Las Vegas Junction, Searchlight, Christmas Tree, Black Peak, and to commence occupying a new site known as Super Nap. These agreements are to facilitate the implementation of Metropolitan's Desert-Wide-Area Network Upgrade Project. The subject telecom sites are located in Riverside, San Bernardino, Mohave, Clark and La Paz Counties
- Authorize the General Manager to grant a permanent easement to Eastern Municipal Water District for the construction and operation of a pipeline northeast of Diamond Valley Lake in the city of Hemet

The Committee will hear one information item:

- Introduction of Ordinance 152

The Committee will hear two committee items:

- Quarterly Investment Activities Report
- Annexation Policies within Metropolitan's Current Boundaries

Lastly, the Committee will hear the management reports:

- Chief Financial Officer's Report
- General Auditor's Report
- Real Property Group Manager's Report

k. Subject: Report from Legislation, Regulatory Affairs, and Communications Committee

Presented by: Committee Chair Jung



Committee Chair Jung announced that the Committee will hear one Subcommittee report:

- Report from Subcommittee on Public Affairs Engagement

The Committee will hear one action item:

- Express support, if amended on AB 1567 (Garcia) and SB 867 (Allen), legislative bond proposals to provide funding for water projects to address climate change impacts.

The Committee will hear five committee items:

- Presentation on Regional Survey of Public Attitudes on Water Issues
- Update on inspection trips
- Update on Community Partnering Program
- Reports on activities from Washington D.C.
- Report on activities from Sacramento

Lastly, the Committee will one the management report:

- External Affairs Management Report

- i. Subject: Report from One Water and Stewardship Committee  
Presented by: Committee Chair Quinn

Committee Chair Quinn announced that the Committee will hear two Subcommittee reports:

- Report from Subcommittee on Bay-Delta
- Report from Subcommittee on Demand Management and Conservation Programs and Priorities

The Committee will consider two consent items and two action items:

- By a two-thirds vote, authorize payment of up to \$932,800 for support of the Colorado River Board and Six Agency Committee for FY 2023/24
- Adopt Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Delta Smelt and Native Species Preservation Project and take related CEQA actions
- Note the following item has been deferred. Review and consider the Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency's
- Authorize the General Manager to: (1) enter into an agreement with the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation to create Colorado River system water for Lake Mead from 2023 through 2026 using funds provided by the federal government; and (2) forebear up to 268,500 acre-feet

The Committee will consider the following three Committee items:

- Update on Metropolitan's Groundwater Storage and Delivery Programs
- Update on Stormwater 2023
- Update on Water Surplus and Drought Management

Lastly, three management reports:

- Colorado River Management Manager's report
- Bay-Delta Manager's report
- Water Resource Management Manager's report

### **CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS – ACTION**

#### **4. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS – ACTION**

A. Approval of the Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting for April 25, 2023.

Chair Ortega asked Directors if there were any comments or discussion on the minutes of the April 25, 2023, Executive Committee Meeting. None were made.

B. Approve draft Committee and board meeting agendas, and schedule for June 2023.

#### **5. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS – ACTION**

None

Chair Ortega called for the vote on Items 4A and 4B.

Director Pressman made a motion, seconded by Director Erdman to approve the consent calendar Items 4A and 4B as listed.

The vote was:

Ayes: Directors Abdo, Camacho, Cordero, Erdman, Goldberg, Gray, Jung, McCoy, Ortega, Pressman, Ramos, Repenning, Smith, and Sutley.

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

Absent: Fong-Sakai, Luna, and Quinn

The motion for Items 4A and 4B passed by a vote of 14 ayes; 0 noes; 0 abstention; and 3 absent.

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

#### **6. OTHER COMMITTEE ITEMS – ACTION**

None

## 7. COMMITTEE INFORMATION ITEMS

- a. Update on Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for Colorado River Interim Guidelines. [Conference with legal counsel – anticipated litigation; based on existing facts and circumstances, including that requiring significant water use reductions in relation to the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement could lead to litigation among the United States and one or more Colorado River water users; there is a significant exposure to litigation against Metropolitan: unknown number of potential cases; may be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)].
- b. Labor Negotiations Update. [Conference with labor negotiators; to be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section 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 Metropolitan Water District of Southern California Supervisors Association].

Chair Ortega announced that due to the closed session committee items the Committee welcomes Ms. Epstein to return to another meeting and presented her with a gift from Metropolitan.

Chair Ortega called the meeting into closed session to hear Agenda Item 7a, Update on Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for Colorado River Interim Guidelines, and Agenda Item 7b Labor Negotiations Update. Chair Ortega read the closed session language and non-interest disclosure notice.

Before going into closed session General Manager Hagekhalil made a statement regarding Agenda Item 7a and introduced William Hasencamp, Manager of Colorado River Resources Group, and Shanti Rosset, Program Manager to present in open session portions of Agenda Item 7a.

The following Director(s) asked questions or made comments:

### Director(s)

1. Repenning
2. Lefevre
3. Sutley
4. Smith

Staff responded to the Directors' comments or questions.  
Chair Ortega called the meeting into closed session.

The meeting returned to open session at 2:36 p.m. Chair Ortega stated that no action was taken in closed session.

**8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS**

None

**9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

None

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:37 p.m.

Adán Ortega, Jr.  
Chair of the Board

**Draft**

**July 10 & 11, 2023**

**Board and Committee**

**Agenda Packet**



**The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California**



## **DRAFT** Schedule of Meetings – July 2023

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**Tuesday, July 4**

***July 4th – District Offices Closed***

**Monday, July 10**

- 8:30 a.m. Engineering, Operations, and Technology Committee
- 10:30 a.m. Legal and Claims
- 12:30 p.m. Break
- 1:00 p.m. Legislation, Regulatory Affairs, and Communications Committee
- 3:00 p.m. One Water and Stewardship Committee

**Tuesday, July 11**

- 8:30 a.m. Finance, Audit, Insurance, and Real Property Committee
- 10:30 a.m. Ethics, Organization, and Personnel Committee
- 12:30 p.m. Break
- 1:00 p.m. Board of Directors Meeting
- 2:30 p.m. Special Executive Committee

**Tuesday, July 25**

- 8:30 a.m. Board Workshop - Subcommittee on Bay-Delta
- 10:30 a.m. Subcommittee Public Affairs Engagement
- 12:30 p.m. Break
- 1:00 p.m. Executive Committee
- 3:00 p.m. Equity, Inclusion, and Affordability Committee

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## **EOT Committee**

D. Erdman, Chair  
M. Petersen, Vice Chair  
D. Alvarez  
M. Camacho  
A. Chacon  
B. Dennstedt  
S. Faessel  
L. Fong-Sakai  
R. Lefevre  
J. McMillan  
C. Miller  
J. Morris  
G. Peterson  
T. Quinn  
K. Seckel  
T. Smith

## **Engineering, Operations, and Technology Committee - Hidden**

Meeting with Board of Directors \*

**July 10, 2023**

**8:30 a.m.**

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**08:30 a.m. EOT  
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12:30 p.m. Break  
01:00 p.m. LRAC  
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- 2. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**
  - a. Report from Subcommittee on Pure Water Southern California and Regional Conveyance

**\*\* CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS -- ACTION \*\***

- 3. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION**

- a. Approval of the Minutes of the Engineering, Operations, and Technology Committee for June 12, 2023 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, Any additions, corrections, or omissions) **21-2329**

#### **4. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION**

- 7-1** Authorize an increase of \$950,000 in change order authority for the contract with W.A. Chester, LLC to terminate 6.9 kV power cables at all five Colorado River Aqueduct pumping plants; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA **21-2456**
- 7-2** Authorize an increase of \$2 million to an agreement with Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc. for a new not-to-exceed total amount of \$2.65 million for final design of the first stage of security upgrades for the Colorado River Aqueduct Region; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA **21-2457**
- 7-3** Award a \$452,886 contract to Best Contracting Services, Inc. for replacement of the administration and warehouse building roofs at the Lake Mathews site; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA **21-2458**
- 7-4** Award a \$349,527.80 procurement contract to TechnoFlo Systems Inc. for 50 magnetic flowmeters to comply with surface water diversion regulations on Metropolitan's Delta Island properties; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA **21-2459**

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

#### **5. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION**

- 8-1** Award a \$3,740,792 contract to M.S. Construction Management Group, Inc. to replace a portion of the existing fire sprinkler system's piping and network components at Metropolitan's Headquarters Building; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA **21-2455**

#### **6. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS**

NONE

#### **7. COMMITTEE ITEMS**

- a. Update on Water Quality Laboratory Upgrades **21-2460**



- b. Colorado River Aqueduct Storage Buildings Assessment 21-2461
- c. Emergency Management Program Update 21-2462

**8. MANAGEMENT REPORTS**

- a. Water System Operations Manager's Report 21-2330
- b. Engineering Services Manager's Report 21-2331
- c. Information Technology Manager's Report 21-2332

**9. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS**

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## **Legal and Claims Committee - Hidden**

Meeting with Board of Directors \*

**July 10, 2023**

**10:30 a.m.**

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- a. General Counsel's report of monthly activities 21-2184

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### 3. **CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION**

- a. Approval of the Minutes of the Legal and Claims Committee for May 9, 2023 and Minutes (Copies have been submitted to each Director, Any additions, corrections, or omissions) 21-2183

TBD

**4. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION**

NONE

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

**5. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION**

- 8-3 Approve amendment of the Metropolitan Water District Administrative Code to delete the requirement that matters may not be placed on consent if a roll call vote is required and increase the cost of items that may be placed on the Consent Calendar from \$2 million to \$10 million; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA **21-2473**

**6. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS**

NONE

**7. COMMITTEE ITEMS**

- a. Discussion of Department Head Performance and Goal Setting [Public employees' performance evaluations – General Counsel; to be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54957] **21-2474**

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**1. Opportunity for members of the public to address the committee on matters within the committee's jurisdiction (As required by Gov. Code Section 54954.3(a))**

## **2. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

a. Report from Subcommittee on Public Affairs Engagement

**\*\* CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS -- ACTION \*\***

## **3. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION**

a. Approval of the Minutes of the Legislation, Regulatory Affairs, and Communications Committee for June 12, 2023 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, Any additions, corrections, or omissions) **21-2341**

TBD

**4. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION**

NONE

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

**5. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION**

8-5 Placeholder on Governor Newsom’s infrastructure trailer bill package **21-2484**

**6. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS**

NONE

**7. COMMITTEE ITEMS**

- a. Update on Inspection Trips **21-2485**
- b. Report on Activities from Washington, D.C **21-2481**
- c. Report on Activities from Sacramento **21-2482**

**8. MANAGEMENT REPORTS**

- a. External Affairs Management Report **21-2342**

**9. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS**

NONE

**10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

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# The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

# Agenda

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## OW&S Committee

T. Quinn, Chair  
S. Faessel, Vice Chair  
L. Ackerman  
D. Alvarez  
J. Armstrong  
A. Chacon  
G. Cordero  
D. De Jesus  
D. Erdman  
L. Fong-Sakai  
S. Goldberg  
C. Kurtz  
R. Lefevre  
C. Miller  
M. Petersen  
G. Peterson  
N. Sutley

## **One Water and Stewardship Committee - Hidden**

Meeting with Board of Directors \*

**July 10, 2023**

**3:30 p.m.**

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## Monday, July 10, 2023 Meeting Schedule

08:30 a.m. EOT  
10:30 a.m. LC  
12:30 p.m. Break  
01:00 p.m. LRAC  
03:00 p.m. OWS

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1. **Opportunity for members of the public to address the committee on matters within the committee's jurisdiction (As required by Gov. Code Section 54954.3(a))**
2. **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**
  - a. Report from Subcommittee on Bay-Delta
  - b. Report from Subcommittee on Demand Management and Conservation Programs and Priorities

**\*\* CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS -- ACTION \*\***

3. **CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION**

TBD

- a. Approval of the Minutes of the One Water and Stewardship Committee for June 12, 2023 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, Any additions, corrections, or omissions) **21-2337**

**4. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION**

NONE

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

**5. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION**

- 8-2 Authorize the General Manager to: (1) enter into an agreement with the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation to create Colorado River system water for Lake Mead from 2023 through 2026 using funds provided by the federal government; and (2) forebear up to 268,500 acre-feet; and adopt CEQA determination that the environmental effects of the conservation efforts that are the subject of the proposed action were previously addressed in various CEQA documents and related actions, and that no further CEQA review is required **21-2464**

**6. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS**

NONE

**7. COMMITTEE ITEMS**

- a. Tree Rebate addition to Turf Replacement Program **21-2465**

**8. MANAGEMENT REPORTS**

- a. Colorado River Manager's Report **21-2338**
- b. Bay-Delta Manager's Report **21-2339**
- c. Water Resource Management Manager's Report **21-2340**
- d. Chief Sustainability Resiliency and Innovation Officer's Report **21-2466**

**9. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS**

NONE

**10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

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## **FAIRP Committee**

T. Smith, Chair  
L. Dick, Vice Chair  
D. Alvarez  
J. Armstrong  
R. Atwater  
A. Chacon  
D. De Jesus  
B. Dennstedt  
L. Fong-Sakai  
C. Miller  
M. Petersen  
B. Pressman  
T. Quinn  
K. Seckel

## **Finance, Audit, Insurance, and Real Property Committee - Hidden**

Meeting with Board of Directors \*

**July 11, 2023**

**8:30 a.m.**

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Meeting Schedule**

**08:30 a.m. FAIRP  
10:30 a.m. EOP  
12:30 p.m. Break  
01:00 p.m. BOD  
02:30 p.m. Sp Exec**

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1. **Opportunity for members of the public to address the committee on matters within the committee's jurisdiction (As required by Gov. Code Section 54954.3(a))**
2. **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**
  - a. Report from Subcommittee on Audits
  - b. Report from Subcommittee on Long-Term Regional Planning Processes and Business Modeling

**\*\* CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS -- ACTION \*\***

3. **CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION**

TBD

- a. Approval of the Minutes of the Finance, Audit, Insurance, and Real Property Committee Meeting for June 13, 2023 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, Any additions, corrections, or omissions) 21-2343

**4. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION**

- 7-5 Adopt Ordinance No. 152: Determining that the interests of Metropolitan require the use of revenue bonds in the aggregate principal amount of \$500 million to finance a portion of capital expenditures and waive the full reading of the ordinance; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt of otherwise not subject to CEQA 21-2475
- 7-6 Review and consider the Lead Agency’s adopted Mitigated Negative Declaration and take related CEQA actions, and adopt resolution for 114th Fringe Area Annexation to Eastern Municipal Water District and Metropolitan 21-2476
- 7-7 Award a \$TBD contract to TBD for the refurbishment of chiller #2 located at Headquarters; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA 21-2477

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

**5. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION**

- 8-4 Approve General Auditor’s Business Plan for fiscal year 2023/24; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA 21-2478

**6. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS**

NONE

**7. COMMITTEE ITEMS**

- a. Overview of Metropolitan's Finances 21-2479
- b. Discussion of Department Head Performance and Goal Setting [Public employees’ performance evaluations – General Auditor; to be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54957] 21-2480

**8. MANAGEMENT REPORTS**

- a. Chief Financial Officer's Report 21-2344
- b. General Auditor's Report 21-2345

- c. Real Property Group Manager's Report

21-2346

## 9. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

## 10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

## 11. ADJOURNMENT

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# Agenda

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## **EO&P Committee**

M. Ramos, Chair  
T. Phan, Vice Chair  
M. Camacho  
G. Cordero  
D. Erdman  
S. Faessel  
L. Fong-Sakai  
F. Jung  
A. Kassakhian  
J. McMillan  
N. Sutley

## **Ethics, Organization, and Personnel Committee - Hidden**

Meeting with Board of Directors \*

**July 11, 2023**

**10:30 a.m.**

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**Tuesday, July 11, 2023  
Meeting Schedule**

**08:30 a.m. FAIRP  
10:30 a.m. EOP  
12:30 p.m. Break  
01:00 p.m. BOD  
02:30 p.m. Sp Exec**

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- 1. Opportunity for members of the public to address the committee on matters within the committee's jurisdiction (As required by Gov. Code Section 54954.3(a))**

### **\*\* CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS -- ACTION \*\***

- 2. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION**

- a. Approval of the Minutes of the Ethics, Organization, and Personnel Committee for June 11, 2023 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, Any additions, corrections, or omissions) **21-2347**

- 3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION**

Boardroom

NONE

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

**4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION**

NONE

**5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS**

NONE

**6. COMMITTEE ITEMS**

- a. Contractors Code of Conduct **21-2468**
- b. Review of confidentiality policies and procedures **21-2470**
- c. Review of select ethics rules **21-2471**
- d. Discussion of Department Head Performance and Goal Setting [Public employees' performance evaluations – Ethics Officer; to be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54957] **21-2472**
- e. Equal Employment Opportunity Statistical Report **21-2469**

**7. MANAGEMENT REPORTS**

- a. Ethics Officer's Report **21-2348**
- b. Human Resources Manager's Report **21-2349**
- c. Equal Employment Opportunity Officer's Report **21-2350**

**8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS**

NONE

**9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

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## Board of Directors - Hidden

July 11, 2023

1:00 PM

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## 1. Call to Order

- a. Invocation: Director John T. Morris, City of San Marino
- b. Pledge of Allegiance: Board Secretary Lois Fong-Sakai, San Diego County Water Authority

## 2. Roll Call

## 3. Determination of a Quorum

## 4. Jordan D. Joaquin, President Fort Yuma Quechan Indian Tribe

## 5. 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))

## 6. OTHER MATTERS AND REPORTS

- A. Report on Directors' Events Attended at Metropolitan's Expense **21-2261**
- B. Chair's Monthly Activity Report **21-2262**

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| C. | General Manager's summary of activities   | <b>21-2263</b> |
| D. | General Counsel's summary of activities   | <b>21-2264</b> |
| E. | General Auditor's summary of activities   | <b>21-2265</b> |
| F. | Ethics Officer's summary of activities  | <b>21-2266</b> |
| G. | Presentation of 5-year Service Pin to Director Tim M. Smith, San Diego County Water Authority |                |

**\*\* CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS -- ACTION \*\***

**7. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION**

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|----|---|----------------|
| A. | Approval of the Minutes of the Board of the Directors Meeting for June 13, 2023 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, any additions, corrections, or omissions) | <b>21-2267</b> |
| B. | Approve Committee Assignments   | <b>21-2487</b> |

**8. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION**

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| 7-1 | Authorize an increase of \$950,000 in change order authority for the contract with W.A. Chester, LLC to terminate 6.9 kV power cables at all five Colorado River Aqueduct pumping plants; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EOT)  | <b>21-2456</b> |
| 7-2 | Authorize an increase of \$2 million to an agreement with Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc. for a new not-to-exceed total amount of \$2.65 million for final design of the first stage of security upgrades for the Colorado River Aqueduct Region; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EOT) | <b>21-2457</b> |
| 7-3 | Award a \$452,886 contract to Best Contracting Services, Inc. for replacement of the administration and warehouse building roofs at the Lake Mathews site; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EOT)   | <b>21-2458</b> |
| 7-4 | Award a \$349,527.80 procurement contract to TechnoFlo Systems Inc. for 50 magnetic flowmeters to comply with surface water diversion regulations on Metropolitan's Delta Island properties; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EOT)   | <b>21-2459</b> |



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| <b>7-5</b> | Adopt Ordinance No. 152: Determining that the interests of Metropolitan require the use of revenue bonds in the aggregate principal amount of \$500 million to finance a portion of capital expenditures and waive the full reading of the ordinance; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (FAIRP) | <b>21-2475</b> |
| <b>7-6</b> | Review and consider the Lead Agency's adopted Mitigated Negative Declaration and take related CEQA actions, and adopt resolution for 114th Fringe Area Annexation to Eastern Municipal Water District and Metropolitan (FAIRP)   | <b>21-2476</b> |
| <b>7-7</b> | Award a \$TBD contract to TBD for the refurbishment of chiller #2 located at Headquarters; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (FAIRP)  | <b>21-2477</b> |

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

## **9. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION**

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| <b>8-1</b> | Award a \$3,740,792 contract to M.S. Construction Management Group, Inc. to replace a portion of the existing fire sprinkler system's piping and network components at Metropolitan's Headquarters Building; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EOT)   | <b>21-2455</b> |
| <b>8-2</b> | Authorize the General Manager to: (1) enter into an agreement with the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation to create Colorado River system water for Lake Mead from 2023 through 2026 using funds provided by the federal government; and (2) forebear up to 268,500 acre-feet; and adopt CEQA determination that the environmental effects of the conservation efforts that are the subject of the proposed action were previously addressed in various CEQA documents and related actions, and that no further CEQA review is required (OWS) | <b>21-2464</b> |
| <b>8-3</b> | Approve amendment of the Metropolitan Water District Administrative Code to delete the requirement that matters may not be placed on consent if a roll call vote is required and increase the cost of items that may be placed on the Consent Calendar from \$2 million to \$10 million; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (LC)  | <b>21-2473</b> |

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|------------|---|----------------|
| <b>8-4</b> | Approve General Auditor's Business Plan for fiscal year 2023/24; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (FAIRP) | <b>21-2478</b> |
| <b>8-5</b> | Placeholder on Governor Newsom's infrastructure trailer bill package (LRAC)   | <b>21-2484</b> |

## **10. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS**

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| <b>9-1</b> | Conservation Program Board Report | <b>21-2268</b> |
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## **11. OTHER MATTERS**

NONE

## **12. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS**

NONE

## **13. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

## **14. ADJOURNMENT**

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## Sp.Exec Committee

A. Ortega, Chair  
 J. Abdo, Board Vice Chair  
 M. Camacho, Board Vice Chair  
 S. Goldberg, Board Vice Chair  
 H. Repenning, Board Vice Chair  
 L. Fong-Sakai, Board Secretary  
 G. Cordero  
 D. Erdman  
 G. Gray  
 F. Jung  
 M. Luna  
 T. McCoy  
 B. Pressman  
 T. Quinn  
 M. Ramos  
 T. Smith  
 N. Sutley

## **Special Executive Committee - Hidden**

Meeting with Board of Directors \*

**July 11, 2023**

**2:30 p.m.**

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## **2. COMMITTEE INFORMATION ITEMS**

- a. Discussion of Department Head Performance and Goal Setting **21-2483**  
 [Public employees' performance evaluations – General Manager; to be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54957]

## **3. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS**

NONE

TBD

#### **4. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

#### **5. ADJOURNMENT**

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