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August 14-15, 2023

Board and Committee

Meetings

Agenda Packet



The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California



THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT
OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

BOARD UPDATES

DRAFT Schedule of Meetings – August 2023

Monday, August 14

- 9:30 a.m. Engineering, Operations, and Technology Committee
- 9:30 a.m. Equity, Inclusion, and Affordability Committee
- 11:30 a.m. Legislation, Regulatory Affairs, and Communications Committee
- 1:30 p.m. Break
- 2:00 p.m. One Water and Stewardship Committee

Tuesday, August 15

- 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
- 2:15 p.m. Subcommittee on Audits

Tuesday, August 22

- 9:30 a.m. Subcommittee on Long-Term Regional Planning Processes and Business Modeling
- 11:30 a.m. Break
- 12:00 p.m. Executive Committee
- 2:15 p.m. Special Board of Directors Meeting

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EOT Committee

D. Erdman, Chair
M. Camacho, Vice Chair
D. Alvarez
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 *

August 14, 2023

9:30 a.m.

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01:30 p.m. Break
02:00 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

NONE

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

3. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION

- a. Approval of the Minutes of the Engineering, Operations, and Technology Committee for July 10, 2023 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, Any additions, corrections, or omissions)** **21-2388**

4. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

- 7-1** Award a \$TBD contract to TBD for urgent relining of three pipe segments on the Sepulveda Feeder; and authorize an increase of: 1) \$280,000 to an agreement with HDR Engineering, Inc., for a new not-to-exceed amount of \$TBD and 2) \$240,000 to an agreement with Los Angeles Community College District for a new not-to-exceed amount of \$TBD; the General Manager has determined that the proposed actions are exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA **21-2546**
- 7-2** Authorize an agreement with Nth Generation Computing, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$367,448 for the Datacenter Backup Infrastructure Upgrade; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA **21-2549**
- 7-3** Authorize an agreement with Computer Aid Incorporated in an amount not to exceed \$1,750,000 to provide staff augmentation support services for the operation and maintenance of the Metropolitan Cybersecurity Operations Center for a period of up to one year; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [Consultation with Metropolitan Director of Info Tech Services, Information Technology, Jacob Margolis, or designated agents on threats to public services or facilities; may be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54957(a)] **21-2550**
- 7-4** Authorize an agreement with General Networks Corporation in an amount not to exceed \$6.6 million for implementation of a cloud-based Enterprise Content Management (ECM) System (ECM Phase II); the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA **21-2551**

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

5. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION

NONE

6. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

NONE

7. COMMITTEE ITEMS

- a.** Update on use of Alternative Project Delivery for Metropolitan Projects **21-2547**
- b.** Update on Colorado River Aqueduct Electrical Upgrades **21-2548**

- c. Reservoir Management Update 21-2553
- d. Emergency Management Program Update 21-2552

8. MANAGEMENT REPORTS

- a. Water System Operations Manager's Report 21-2389
- b. Engineering Services Manager's Report 21-2390
- c. Information Technology Manager's Report 21-2391

9. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

11. ADJOURNMENT

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EI&A Committee

T. McCoy, Chair
G. Cordero, Vice Chair
D. De Jesus
B. Dennstedt
L. Dick
A. Fellow
L. Fong-Sakai
J. Garza
G. Gray
M. Luna
N. Sutley

Equity, Inclusion, and Affordability Committee - Hidden

Meeting with Board of Directors *

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

2. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION

- a. Approval of the Minutes of the Equity, Inclusion, and Affordability Committee Meeting for July 25, 2023 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, Any additions, corrections, or omissions) **21-2372**

3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

NONE

**** END OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS ******4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION**

NONE

5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

NONE

6. COMMITTEE ITEMS

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| a. | Panel discussion on Affordability | 21-2561 |
| b. | A Survey of Member Agency Programs offered to Disadvantaged Communities as defined in Water Code 79505.5 | 21-2562 |

7. MANAGEMENT REPORTS

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| a. | Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Manager's Report | 21-2373 |
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8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**10. ADJOURNMENT**

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LRA&C Committee

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A. Kassakhian, Vice Chair
J. Abdo
L. Ackerman
B. Dennstedt
A. Fellow
J. Garza
G. Gray
M. Luna
J. McMillan
T. Phan
B. Pressman
M. Ramos
T. Smith

Legislation, Regulatory Affairs, and Communications Committee - Hidden

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

2. **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT**

- a. Report from Subcommittee on Public Affairs Engagement **21-2575**

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

- a. Approval of the Minutes of the Legislation, Regulatory Affairs, and Communications Committee for July 10, 2023 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, Any additions, corrections, or omissions) **21-2377**

4. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

NONE

**** END OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS ******5. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION**

NONE

6. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

NONE

7. COMMITTEE ITEMS

- a. Update on Water Conservation Outreach, Advertising and Messaging **21-2571**
- b. Report on Activities from Washington, D.C. **21-2380**
- c. Report on activities from Sacramento **21-2379**

8. MANAGEMENT REPORTS

- a. External Affairs Management Report **21-2381**

9. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

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10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**11. ADJOURNMENT**

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OW&S Committee

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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
B. Pressman
N. Sutley

One Water and Stewardship Committee - Hidden

Meeting with Board of Directors *

August 14, 2023

2:00 p.m.

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2. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

NONE

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

3. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION

- a. Approval of the Minutes of the One Water and Stewardship Committee for July 10, 2023 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, Any additions, corrections, or omissions) 21-2383**

4. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

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| 7-5 | Authorize amendments to the Cyclic Cost-Offset Program terms; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA | 21-2555 |
| 7-6 | Authorize implementation of a tree rebate modification to the Turf Replacement Program; the General Manager has determined that these actions are exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA | 21-2557 |

**** END OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS ******5. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION**

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| 8-2 | Review and consider the Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency's approved amended Mitigated Negative Declaration, authorize up to \$80 million for additional project costs and authorize the General Manager to amend the term of the High Desert Water Bank Program agreement with the Antelope Valley East Kern Water Agency [MISSING CEQA] | 21-2558 |
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6. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

NONE

7. COMMITTEE ITEMS

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| a. | Introduction of new Delta Stewardship Council member: Maria Mehranian | 21-2554 |
| b. | State Water Contractors: Purpose and Benefits (Jennifer Pierre, General Manager) | 21-2574 |
| c. | Update on Conservation | 21-2559 |

8. MANAGEMENT REPORTS

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| a. | Colorado River Manager's Report | 21-2384 |
| b. | Bay-Delta Manager's Report | 21-2385 |
| c. | Water Resource Management Manager's Report | 21-2386 |
| d. | Chief Sustainability, Resilience and Innovation Officer's Report | 21-2560 |

9. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

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FAIRP Committee

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

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2. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

NONE

3. OTHER MATTERS

6G Report on list of certified assessed valuations for fiscal year **21-2566**
2023/24 and tabulation of assessed valuations, percentage
participation, and vote entitlement of member agencies as of
August 15, 2023

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

4. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION

- a. Approval of the Minutes of the Finance, Audit, Insurance, and Real Property Committee Meeting for July 11, 2023 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, Any additions, corrections, or omissions) **21-2367**

5. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

NONE

**** END OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS ******6. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION**

- 8-1 Adopt Resolution establishing the Ad Valorem tax rate for fiscal year 2023/24; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is either exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA **21-2565**

7. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

- 9-2 Phase 1 Draft Long-Range Finance Plan **21-2567**

8. COMMITTEE ITEMS

- a. Quarterly Financial Report **21-2568**
- b. Quarterly Investment Activities Report **21-2570**
- c. Staff Analysis of Reserves **21-2569**
- d. 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] **21-2576**

9. MANAGEMENT REPORTS

- a. Chief Financial Officer's Report **21-2368**
- b. General Auditor's Report **21-2369**
- c. Real Property Group Manager's Report **21-2370**

10. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

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2. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION

- a. Approval of the Minutes of the Ethics, Organization, and Personnel Committee Meeting for July 11, 2023 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, Any additions, corrections, or omissions) **21-2393**

3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

- 7-7 Approve proposed amendment to Administrative Code section 6471 to increase the amount of the Ethics Officer's authority to obtain professional services for external investigations from \$100,000 to \$250,000; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA 21-2563

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

4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION

NONE

5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

NONE

6. COMMITTEE ITEMS

- a. Monthly Ethics Education 21-2564

7. MANAGEMENT REPORTS

- a. Ethics Officer's Report 21-2395
b. Human Resources Manager's Report 21-2396
c. Equal Employment Opportunity Officer's Report 21-2397

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1. Call to Order

- a. Invocation: TBD
- b. Pledge of Allegiance: TBD

2. Roll Call

3. Determination of a Quorum

4. COMMUNITY REFLECTIONS

- a. TBD 21-2353

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 21-2354
- B. Chair's Monthly Activity Report 21-2355

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| C. | General Manager's summary of activities | 21-2356 |
| D. | General Auditor's summary of activities | 21-2357 |
| E. | General Auditor's summary of activities | 21-2358 |
| F. | Ethics Officer's summary of activities | 21-2359 |
| G. | Report on list of certified assessed valuations for fiscal year 2023/24 and tabulation of assessed valuations, percentage participation, and vote entitlement of member agencies as of August 15, 2023 (FAIRP) | 21-2566 |
| H. | Presentation of Commendatory Resolution for Director Richard Atwater representing Foothill Municipal Water District | 21-2545 |
| I. | Presentation of 20-year Service Pin to Director Larry D. Dick, Municipal Water District of Orange County | 21-2573 |

**** 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 July 11, 2023 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, any additions, corrections, or omissions) | 21-2360 |
| B. | Approve Commendatory Resolution for Director Heather Repenning representing the City of Los Angeles | 21-2544 |
| C. | Approve Committee Assignments | |

8. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

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| 7-1 | Award a \$TBD contract to TBD for urgent relining of three pipe segments on the Sepulveda Feeder; and authorize an increase of: 1) \$280,000 to an agreement with HDR Engineering, Inc., for a new not-to-exceed amount of \$TBD and 2) \$240,000 to an agreement with Los Angeles Community College District for a new not-to-exceed amount of \$TBD; the General Manager has determined that the proposed actions are exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EOT) | 21-2546 |
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- 7-2** Authorize an agreement with Nth Generation Computing, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$367,448 for the Datacenter Backup Infrastructure Upgrade; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EOT) **21-2549**
- 7-3** Authorize an agreement with Computer Aid Incorporated in an amount not to exceed \$1,750,000 to provide staff augmentation support services for the operation and maintenance of the Metropolitan Cybersecurity Operations Center for a period of up to one year; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [Consultation with Metropolitan Director of Info Tech Services, Information Technology, Jacob Margolis, or designated agents on threats to public services or facilities; may be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54957(a)] (EOT) **21-2550**
- 7-4** Authorize an agreement with General Networks Corporation in an amount not to exceed \$6.6 million for implementation of a cloud-based Enterprise Content Management (ECM) System (ECM Phase II); the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EOT) **21-2551**
- 7-5** Authorize amendments to the Cyclic Cost-Offset Program terms; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (OWS) **21-2555**
- 7-6** Authorize implementation of a tree rebate modification to the Turf Replacement Program; the General Manager has determined that these actions are exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (OWS) **21-2557**
- 7-7** Approve proposed amendment to Administrative Code section 6471 to increase the amount of the Ethics Officer's authority to obtain professional services for external investigations from \$100,000 to \$250,000; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EOP) **21-2563**
- 7-8** Approve the nomination and renaming of Metropolitan's Pure Water Southern California Demonstration Plant as the Representative Grace F. Napolitano Pure Water Southern California Innovation Center; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA **21-2572**

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

9. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION

- 8-1** Adopt Resolution establishing the Ad Valorem tax rate for fiscal year 2023/24; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is either exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (FAIRP) **21-2565**
- 8-2** Review and consider the Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency's approved amended Mitigated Negative Declaration, authorize up to \$80 million for additional project costs and authorize the General Manager to amend the term of the High Desert Water Bank Program agreement with the Antelope Valley East Kern Water Agency [MISSING CEQA] (OWS) **21-2558**

10. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

- 9-1** Conservation Program Board Report **21-2361**
- 9-2** Phase 1 Draft Long-Range Finance Plan (FAIRP) **21-2567**

11. OTHER MATTERS

NONE **21-2362**

12. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE **21-2363**

13. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**14. ADJOURNMENT**

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The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

Agenda

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.

Audits Committee

D. De Jesus, Chair
J. D. Armstrong, Vice
Chair
F. Jung
C. M. Miller
K. Seckel

Subcommittee on Audits - Hidden

Meeting with Board of Directors *

August 15, 2023

2:15 p.m.

Tuesday, August 15, 2023 Meeting Schedule

**08:30 a.m. FAIRP
10:30 a.m. EOP
12:30 p.m. Break
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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 Subcommittee on Audits for June 27, 2023 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, Any additions, corrections, or omissions) **21-2582**

3. SUBCOMMITTEE ITEMS

- a.** Discussion on Macias Gini & O'Connell LLP External Auditor Fiscal Year 2022/23 Audit Plan **21-2580**

- b. General Auditor's Strategic Plan

21-2581

4. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

6. ADJOURNMENT

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