THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

MINUTES

Audit Committee

March 9, 2026

Chair Ramos called the meeting to order at 2:15 p.m.

Members present: Directors Crane, De Jesus, Fong-Sakai, and Ramos.

Members absent: Director Gray.

Other Board Members present: Directors Ackerman, Bryant, Cordero, Erdman, Faessel, Fellow, Garza, Jay, Kurtz, McCoy, Ortega, Paule, Seckel, and Shepherd Romey.

Committee Staff present: Andrus, Deshmukh, Elias, Parsons, Rubin, and Suzuki.

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

NONE

2. MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

A. Subject: General Auditor's Quarterly Report

Presented by: Scott Suzuki, General Auditor

Mr. Suzuki reported on the General Auditor's activities for the quarter ended December 31, 2025.

There were no questions or comments from the Directors.

CONSENT CALENDAR

3. COMMITTEE ACTION (ONLY)

A. Subject: Approval of the Minutes of the Audit Committee for December 8, 2025

4. COMMITTEE ITEMS (FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION)

NONE

Director Fong-Sakai made a motion, seconded by Director De Jesus, to approve the consent calendar consisting of item 3A.

The vote was:

Ayes:	Directors De Jesus, Fong-Sakai, and Ramos
Noes:	None
Abstentions:	Director Crane
Absent:	Director Gray

The motion for item 3A passed by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 noes, 1 abstention, and 1 absent.

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

5. COMMITTEE ITEMS (ACTION FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION)

NONE

6. COMMITTEE ITEMS (INFORMATIONAL FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION)

NONE

7. COMMITTEE ITEMS

a. Subject: Discussion on Cybersecurity Audit: Inventory and Control of Operational Technology Assets [Any discussion of threats to public services or facilities to be heard in closed session; conference with Keith Nobriga, Group Manager, Integrated Operations Planning & Support Services, Tae Yun, Section Manager, Water Operations & Planning, and Scott Suzuki, General Auditor - may be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54957(a)]

Presented by: Scott Suzuki, General Auditor

There were no questions or comments in the open session on Cybersecurity Audit: Inventory and Control of Operational Technology Assets.

No directors requested a closed session discussion on Cybersecurity Audit: Inventory and Control of Operational Technology Assets.

b. Subject: Independent Auditor Macias Gini & O'Connell, LLP's Report on the Single Audit

Presented by: David Bullock, Partner at Macias Gini & O'Connell, LLP

Ms. Andrus introduced Mr. David Bullock, Partner at Macias Gini & O'Connell, LLP, who provided a report on the Single Audit.

The following Director provided a comment:

1. Ramos

c. Subject: Discussion on amendments to the Metropolitan Water District Administrative Code Section 6451 regarding the Audit Department Charter

Presented by: Scott Suzuki, General Auditor

Mr. Suzuki presented on proposed amendments to the Metropolitan Water District Administrative Code Section 6451 regarding the Audit Department Charter.

The following Directors asked questions and provided comments:

1. De Jesus
2. Fong-Sakai
3. Ramos

Staff responded to the Directors' questions and comments.

d. Subject: Discussion on the results of the Audit Department's internal Quality Assurance & Improvement Program for Fiscal Year 2024/25

Presented by: Kathryn Andrus, Assistant General Auditor

Ms. Andrus presented the results of the Audit Department's internal Quality Assurance & Improvement Program for Fiscal Year 2024/25.

The following Directors asked questions and provided comments:

1. De Jesus
2. Ortega

Staff responded to the Directors' questions and comments.

e. Subject: Overview of the Institute of Internal Auditors' Three Lines Model

Presented by: Andrew Lin, Principal Auditor

Mr. Suzuki introduced Principal Auditor Andrew Lin, who presented on the Institute of Internal Auditors' Three Lines Model.

f. Subject: Annual Internal Audit Plan and Risk & Control Discussion

Presented by: Araceli Muñoz, Senior Audit Manager
Lina Tan, Principal Auditor
Sherman Hung, Principal Auditor

Ms. Andrus introduced Senior Auditor Manager Araceli Muñoz, who presented on creating the risk-based internal audit plan. Ms. Muñoz introduced Principal Auditors Lina Tan and Sherman Hung, who presented on internal control and risk, respectively.

The following Directors asked questions and provided comments:

1. Ortega
2. Erdman
3. Ramos

Staff responded to the Directors' questions and comments.

g. Subject: Study, advise, or recommend on Board member/Board committee audit assignment requests

Presented by: Scott Suzuki, General Auditor

Mr. Suzuki introduced the item to study, advise, or recommend on Board member/Board committee audit assignment requests.

The following Directors asked questions and provided comments:

1. Ortega
2. De Jesus
3. Garza

Staff responded to the Directors' questions and comments.

8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

NONE

10. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 3:41 p.m.

Marsha Ramos
Chair