

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

Sp Jt Board of Directors and Exec Comm. and Wksp on EOT Comm. - Final - Revised 1

June 24, 2025

9:30 AM

Tuesday, June 24, 2025
Meeting Schedule

08:30 a.m. Sp CWC
09:30 a.m. Sp Jt BOD, EXEC,
WK EOT

Written public comments received by 5:00 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>.

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1. Call to Order

- a. Invocation: Director Nancy Sutley, City of Los Angeles
- b. Pledge of Allegiance: Director Linda Ackerman, Municipal Water District of Orange County

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 **[21-4701](#)**
Attachments: [06242025 JT SP BOD EXEC EOT 5A Report](#)
- B.** Chair's Monthly Activity Report **[21-4702](#)**
Attachments: [06242025 JT SP BOD EXEC EOT 5B Report](#)
- C.** General Manager's summary of activities **[21-4703](#)**
Attachments: [06242025 JT SP BOD EXEC EOT 5C Report](#)

Spotlight on Metropolitan Employee(s) Retiring with over 20 Years of Service **[21-4704](#)**
- D.** General Counsel's summary of activities **[21-4705](#)**
Attachments: [06242025 JT SP BOD EXEC EOT 5D Report](#)
- E.** General Auditor's summary of activities **[21-4706](#)**
Attachments: [06242025 JT SP BOD EXEC EOT 5E Report](#)
- F.** Ethics Officer's summary of activities **[21-4707](#)**
Attachments: [06242025 JT SP BOD EXEC EOT 5F Report](#)
- G.** Presentation of 5-year Service Pin to Director Ardy Kassakhian, City of Glendale **[21-4708](#)**
- H.** Presentation of 10-year Service Pin to Director Stephen Faessel, City of Anaheim **[21-4709](#)**

- I. Induction of new Director Raymond Jay from City of Torrance [21-4710](#)
- (a) Receive credentials
 - (b) Report on credentials by General Counsel
 - (c) File credentials
 - (d) Administer Oath of Office
 - (e) File Oath

Attachments: [06242025 JT SP BOD EXEC EOT 5I Report](#)

SPECIAL JOINT EXECUTIVE AND BOARD ITEMS

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

6. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION

- A. Approval of the revised Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting for March 11, 2025 and April 8, 2025; and Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting for May 13, 2025; and Minutes of the Special Joint Meeting of the Executive Committee and Board of Directors for May 27, 2025 [21-4711](#)

Attachments: [06242025 BOD 6A \(04082025\) Minutes - REVISED](#)
[06242025 BOD 6A \(03112025\) Minutes - REVISED](#)
[06242025 BOD 6A \(05132025\) Minutes](#)
[06242025 BOD 6A \(05272025\) Minutes](#)

- B. Approve Commendatory Resolution for Director Russell Lefevre representing City of Torrance [21-4713](#)

- C. Approve draft schedule, committee and board meeting agendas for July 2025 [21-4727](#)

Attachments: [06242025 JT SP BOD EXEC EOT 6C Draft July Schedule and Packet](#)

- D. Approve Committee Assignments

7. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

- 7-1 Approve General Auditor's Internal Audit Plan for fiscal year 2025/26; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (Audit) [21-4712](#)

Attachments: [06242025 Special Audit 7-1 B-L](#)
[06242024 Special Audit 7-1 Presentation](#)

- 7-2** Authorize \$1,500,000 increases to existing on-call agreements with Mangan Inc., and Burns & McDonnell Western Enterprises Inc., for new not-to-exceed amounts of \$3,750,000 to provide technical services to enhance arc flash protection at Metropolitan's facilities; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EOT) **21-4714**

Attachments: [06242025 EOT 7-2 B-L](#)
[06242025 EOT 7-2 Presentation](#)

- 7-3** Award an \$807,004 procurement contract to B&K Valves and Equipment Inc. for the replacement of globe valves at the Rio Hondo Pressure Control Structure; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is categorically exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EOT) **21-4715**

Attachments: [06242025 EOT 7-3 B-L](#)
[06242025 EOT 7-3 Presentation](#)

- 7-5** Adopt a resolution declaring three parcels of real property located in the County of Riverside as exempt surplus land under the Surplus Land Act and authorize their disposal under Metropolitan's surplus land disposal policies and procedures; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [Properties located at 12000 West 14th Avenue in the City of Blythe, California and 3137 Wicklow Drive in the City of Riverside, California] (FAAME) **21-4700**

Attachments: [06242025 Special FAAME 7-5 B-L](#)
[06242025 Special FAAME 7-5 Presentation](#)

- 7-8** Authorize the amendment of an existing license agreement with Duke Realty Corporation to adjust the license fee and extend the term for up to twenty additional years, thereby allowing continued ingress and egress rights across Metropolitan's Colorado River Aqueduct right of way in Perris, California; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (FAAME) **21-4716**

Attachments: [06242025 Special FAAME 7-8 B-L](#)
[06242025 Special FAAME 7-8 Presentation](#)

- 7-10** Adopt a resolution declaring approximately 5,497 acres of Metropolitan-owned real property in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, commonly known as Webb Tract, also identified as Contra Costa County Assessor Parcel Numbers: 026-070-001-8, 026-080-006-5, 026-080-009-9, 026-080-007-3, 026-080-008-1, 026-080-004-0, 026-008-005-7, 026-070-006-7, 026-070-013-3, 026-070-012-5, 026-070-011-7, 026-070-010-9, 026-060-019-2, 026-060-018-4, 026-060-008-5, 026-090-007-7, 026-060-003-6, 026-060-015-0, 026-060-016-8, 026-060-017-6, and 026-060-005-1 as exempt surplus land under the Surplus Land Act; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (FAAME)

[21-4717](#)

Attachments: [06242025 Special FAAME 7-10 B-L](#)

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

8. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION

- 8-1** Authorize a new agricultural lease agreement with Bouldin Farming Company for rice farming and related uses on portions of Metropolitan-owned real property in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Bay Delta known as Webb Tract; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [Conference with real property negotiators; properties totaling approximately 2,159 gross acres in the area commonly known as Webb Tract, also identified as Contra Costa County Assessor Parcel Numbers: 026-070-001-8, 026-080-006-5, 026-080-009-9, 026-080-007-3, 026-080-008-1, 026-080-004-0, 026-008-005-7; agency negotiators: Steven Johnson, Kevin Webb, and Kieran Callanan; negotiating parties: John Winther dba Bouldin Farming Company; under negotiation: price and terms; to be heard in closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8] (FAAME)

[21-4718](#)

Attachments: [06242025 Special FAAME 8-1 Presentation Open Session](#)

- 8-2** Report on litigation in Alicia Lorentzen v. Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, Los Angeles County Superior Court Case No. 23STCV19214, and authorize increase in the maximum amount payable under a contract for legal services with Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton LLP in the amount of \$175,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$600,000; report on litigation in Dane Crawford v. Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, Riverside County Superior Court Case No. CVPS2304015, and authorize increase in the maximum amount payable under a contract for legal services with Seyfarth Shaw LLP in the amount of \$375,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$900,000; and report on legal claim alleging equal employment opportunity violations, and authorize increase in the maximum amount payable under a contract for legal services with Seyfarth Shaw LLP in the amount of \$200,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$550,000; the General Manager has determined that the proposed actions are 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); and conference with legal counsel – anticipated litigation, based on existing facts and circumstances of receipt of a legal claim threatening litigation, there is significant exposure to litigation against Metropolitan: one potential case, to be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)]. [REVISED SUBJECT on 6/20/2025] (LC) **21-4730**

9. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

- 9-1** Report on Conservation Program **21-4720**
Attachments: [06242025 JT SP BOD EXEC EOT 9-1 Report](#)
- 9-2** Bay-Delta Management Report **21-4721**
Attachments: [06242025 JT SP BOD EXEC EOT 9-2 Report](#)
- 9-3** Sustainability Resilience, and Innovation Report **21-4722**
Attachments: [06242025 JT SP BOD EXEC EOT 9-3 Report](#)
- 9-4** Colorado River Management Report **21-4723**
Attachments: [06242025 JT SP BOD EXEC EOT 9-4 Report](#)

- 9-5** Overview of Potential Business Model Financial Refinements (FAAME) **21-4724**

Attachments: [06242025 Special FAAME 9-5 B-L](#)
[06242025 Special FAAME 9-5 Presentation](#)

- 9-6** Office of Safety, Security, and Protection Monthly Activities Report **21-4725**

Attachments: [06242025 JT SP BOD EXEC EOT 9-6 Report](#)

10. OTHER MATTERS

- 10-1** Approve General Manager Job Description, General Manager priorities, and General Manager qualities; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt and not subject CEQA **21-4748**

Attachments: [06242025 JT SP BOD-EXEC-EOT 10-1 DRAFT Existing General Manager Job Description with Possible Edits Incorporated \(new for consideration\)](#)
[06242025 JT SP BOD EXEC EOT 10-1 Existing General Manager Job Description \(January 15, 2021\)](#)
[06242025 JT SP BOD EXEC EOT 10-1 Prior General Manager Job Description \(July 23, 2007\)](#)
[06242025 JT SP BOD EXEC EOT 10-1 General Manager Job Description \(May 21, 2001\)](#)
[06242025 JT SP BOD EXEC EOT 10-1 MWD Operating Agreement](#)
[06242025 JT SP BOD EXEC EOT 10-1 Potential General Manager Recruitment Priorities & Qualities](#)
[06242025 JT SP BOD EXEC EOT 10-1 CAMP4Water Implementation Strategy](#)
[06242025 JT SP BOD EXEC EOT 10-1 \(06132025\) MWDOC Recommendations General Manager Qualities](#)
[06242025 JT SP BOD EXEC EOT 10-1 \(06172025\) Dirs. Bryant De Jesus Fellow Kurtz Sheperd Romey Recommendations General Manager Qualities](#)

- 10-2** Discussion of key selection criteria recruiter will use to assess General Manager candidates **21-4750**

- 10-3** Update on labor negotiations. [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, Adam Benson, Finance Group Manager, Gifty J. Beets, Human Resources Section Manager and Mark Brower, Human Resources Group manager. Employee Organization(s): The Employees Association of The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California/AFSCME Local 1902; the Management and Professional Employees Associations MAPA/AFSCME Chapter 1001; the Supervisors Association; and the Association of Confidential Employees.] **21-4726**

Attachments: [06242025 JT SP BOD EXEC EOT 10-3 Non-Interest Disclosure Notice REVISED](#)

- 10-4** Discussion of Department Head Performance and Goal Setting [Public employee performance evaluation – General Manager; to be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54957] **21-4728**
- 10-5** Public Employment - General Manager [To be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54957] **21-4749**

SPECIAL BOARD WORKSHOP ON ENGINEERING, OPERATIONS, AND TECHNOLOGY

- A.** Capital Investment Plan Process **21-4729**

Attachments: [06242025 Special EOT A Presentation](#)

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>

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