

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.

Board of Directors - Final - Revised 1

September 9, 2025

2:00 PM

Tuesday, September 9, 2025 Meeting Schedule
08:30 a.m. FAAME 10:30 a.m. LEGAL 12:30 p.m. Break 01:00 p.m. OPE 02:00 p.m. BOD

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1. Call to Order

- a. Invocation: Director Jay Lewitt, Las Virgenes Municipal Water District
- b. Pledge of Allegiance: TBD

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 [21-5007](#)
Attachments: [09092025 BOD 5A Report](#)
- B. Chair's Monthly Activity Report [21-5008](#)
- C. General Manager's summary of activities [21-5009](#)
- D. General Counsel's summary of activities [21-5010](#)
- E. General Auditor's summary of activities [21-5011](#)
- F. Ethics Officer's summary of activities [21-5012](#)

**** CONSENT CALENDAR ****

6. BOARD CONSENT ITEMS

- A. 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 [21-5014](#)
- B. Approve Committee Assignments

7. BOARD LETTERS CONSENT

- 7-1 Amend the Administrative Code to grant authority to the Ethics Officer to conduct systemic ethics-related reviews for the purpose of making recommendations that help foster an ethical culture and prevent ethics violations in support of SB 60 (CWC) [21-4960](#)
- 7-2 Authorize an agreement with West Monroe Partners in an amount not to exceed \$722,500 for Metropolitan's Intramet Redesign project; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EOT) [21-4968](#)

Attachments: [09092025 EOT 7-2 B-L](#)

- 7-3** Award a contract with EyeP Solutions Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$334,791 to upgrade the Wireless Networks at Metropolitan's Riverside locations, including Skinner, Mills, Diamond Valley Lake and Lake Mathews; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EOT) [21-4969](#)

Attachments: [09092025 EOT 7-3 B-L](#)

- 7-4** Authorize an agreement with Carasoft Technology Corp. in an amount not to exceed \$920,000 for the Network Visibility and Situational Awareness Upgrades to enhance Metropolitan's network monitoring capabilities through the implementation of advanced technology; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EOT) [21-4970](#)
- 7-5** Amend the Capital Investment Plan for fiscal years 2024/2025 and 2025/2026 to include the Palos Verdes Reservoir Helicopter Dip Tank Facility project; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or not subject to CEQA (EOT) [21-4971](#)
- 7-6** Review and consider the Mitigated Negative Declaration adopted by the Lead Agency for the project, and authorize the General Manager to execute a new 30-year license agreement with four options to extend the term in five-year increments for a maximum term of 50 years with the City of Fontana for supplemental parking for a Fire Station and Training Facility on Metropolitan fee-owned property in the city of Fontana, identified as San Bernardino County Assessor Parcel No. 0228-021-26 (FAAME) [21-4982](#)
- 7-7** Review and consider the Mitigated Negative Declaration adopted by the Lead Agency for the project, and adopt a resolution approving an Agreement for Water Service with the Barona Band of Mission Indians, San Diego County Water Authority, Ramona Municipal Water District and Metropolitan. [REVISED SUBJECT on 8/28/2025] (FAAME) [21-4984](#)
- 7-8** Authorize an amendment extending the term to December 31, 2028 for the Culver Boulevard Realignment and Stormwater Filtration and Retention Project Agreement under the Stormwater for Direct Use Pilot Program; and Adopt CEQA determination that the proposed action was previously addressed in the 2019 Mitigated Negative Declaration and related CEQA actions. [REVISED SUBJECT on 8/28/2025] (OWA) [21-4996](#)

- 7-9** Approve the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California's salary schedules pursuant to CalPERS regulations; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (OPE) [21-5002](#)
- 7-10** Award a \$7.988 million contract to Legion Contractors Inc. to construct electrical conduits at the Henry J. Mills Water Treatment Plant to support replacement of the plant's control system; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EOT) [21-4967](#)

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

8. BOARD ITEMS (ACTION)

- 8-1** Report on litigation in Encarnacion Gutierrez v. Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, Los Angeles County Superior Court Case No. 23STCV11052; and authorize an increase in the maximum amount payable under contract for legal services with BDG Law Group, APLC, in the amount of \$400,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$900,000; 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) [21-5032](#)
- 8-2** 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 \$TBD for a total amount not to exceed \$TBD; report on litigation in Dannelle-Mimi Phan v. Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, Los Angeles County Superior Court Case No. 25STCV13693, and authorize increase in the maximum amount payable under a contract for legal services with Seyfarth Shaw LLP in the amount of \$TBD for a total amount not to exceed \$TBD; and report on litigation in Gina Chavez v. Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, San Bernardino County Superior Court Case No. CIVSB2521200, and authorize increase in the maximum amount payable under a contract for legal services with Seyfarth Shaw LLP in the amount of \$TBD for a total amount not to exceed \$TBD; 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)] (LC) [21-4990](#)

9. BOARD ITEMS (INFORMATIONAL)

- 9-1 Report on Conservation Program [21-4985](#)
- 9-2 Review the applicability of the Metropolitan Water District Act Section 124.5 ad valorem property tax limitation for fiscal years 2026/27 through 2035/36, consistent with the Ten-Year Financial Forecast (FAAME) [21-4986](#)
- 9-3 Review Proposed Emergency Event Member Agency Payment Deferral Program, amendment to the Administrative Code to implement the Program, and delegation of authority to the General Manager to administer the Program (FAAME) [21-5029](#)
- 9-4 Update on research and framework for a community benefits program for Pure Water Southern California (LEG) [21-4991](#)

Attachments: [09092025 EOT 9-4 B-L](#)

10. OTHER MATTERS

- 10-1 Consider authorizing merit-based salary increases and/or performance-based bonuses for the Ethics Officer; the General Manager has determined that the proposed actions are exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [21-5015](#)

11. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

13. ADJOURNMENT

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