## THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

#### **MINUTES**

# SUBCOMMITTEE ON LONG-TERM REGIONAL PLANNING PROCESSES AND BUSINESS MODELING

## **April 24, 2024**

Chair Petersen called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

Members present: Directors Alvarez, Armstrong, Erdman (teleconference posted location), Fong-Sakai, McMillan (entered after roll call), Petersen, Quinn (entered after roll call), and Seckel.

Members absent: Directors Faessel, Gualtieri, and Sutley.

Other Board Members present: Directors Bryant, Dennstedt, Fellow (teleconference posted location), Goldberg, Gray (teleconference posted location), Jung (teleconference posted location), Kurtz, Lefevre (teleconference posted location), Miller, Morris, Ortega, Pressman (teleconference posted location), Peterson, and Smith.

Committee Staff present: Crosson, Mortada, Quilizapa, and Salgado.

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

Darcy Burke, Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District, commented on item 3b. Joone Kim-Lopez, Moulton Niguel Water District, commented on item 3b Justin Breck, Los Angeles Waterkeeper distributed Memoranda March 8, 2024. This item will be made part of the record.

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

#### 2. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION

A. Approval of the Minutes of the Subcommittee on Long-Term Regional Planning Processes and Business Modeling for March 27, 2024 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, Any additions, corrections, or omissions)

Director Fong-Sakai made a motion, seconded by Director Seckel, to approve the consent calendar consisting of item 2A.

The vote was:

Ayes: Directors Alvarez, Armstrong, Erdman, Fong-Sakai, McMillan, Petersen,

Quinn, and Seckel.

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

Absent: Directors Faessel, Gualtieri, and Sutley.

The motion for Item 2A passed by a vote of 8 ayes, 0 noes, 0 abstain, and 3 absent.

#### END OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

#### 3. SUBCOMMITTEE ITEMS - CAMP4W TASK FORCE

a. Subject: Member Agency Managers Task Force Members

Cesar Barrera, City of Santa Ana

Nina Jazmadarian, Foothill Municipal Water District Shivaji Deshmukh, Inland Empire Utilities Agency Dave Pedersen, Las Virgenes Municipal Water District

Anatole Falagan, Long Beach Water Department

Anselmo Collins, Los Angeles Department of Water and Power Harvey De La Torre, Municipal Water District of Orange County

Dan Denham, San Diego County Water Authority

Kristine McCaffrey, Calleguas Municipal Water District

Tom Love, Upper San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District

Craig Miller, Western Municipal Water District Joe Mouawad, Eastern Municipal Water District Stacie Takeguchi, Pasadena Water and Power

Presented by: No presentation was given.

Task Force Members present: Member Agency Manager Members Barrera, Collins, De La Torre, Deshmukh, Falagan, Jazmadarian, Love, McCaffrey, Miller, and Mouawad.

b. Subject: Climate Adaptation Master Plan for Water – Draft Year One

**Progress Report** 

Presented by: Elizabeth Crosson, Chief Sustainability, Resilience, and Innovation

Officer

Ms. Crosson presented the committee with an overview of the Climate Adaptation Master Plan for Water Draft Year One Progress Report documents progress since February 2023 and sets up the next steps for 2024. Her presentation included the focus on next steps for 2024 laid out in Sections 4 through 6 of the Report. This is preparation for a potential concurrence action at the May Finance and Asset Management Board Committee meeting.

Ms. Crosson introduced Mr. Mohsen Mortada to present an overview of the business model refinement. His presentation included why Metropolitan's business model should be refined, which included overall uncertainty of supply and demand, changing social landscape and regulations, technological advancements, the evolution of consumers and the utility sector, and

climate change. A list of three questions regarding the business model was presented to the Task Force by use of the Mentimeter, and Committee members and the Task Force voted.

The following Directors and Member Agency Managers asked questions and provided comments:

- 1. Falagan
- 2. De La Torre
- 3. Love
- 4. Petersen
- 5. Deshmukh
- 6. Alvarez
- 7. Ortega
- 8. Peterson
- 9. Seckel
- 10. Erdman
- 11. Goldberg
- 12. Fong-Sakai
- 13. Mouawad
- 14. Armstrong
- 15. Dennstedt
- 16. Miller
- 17. Jazmadarian
- 18. Collins
- 19. McCaffrey
- 20. Bryant

Staff responded to Directors' and Member Agency Managers comments and questions.

## 4. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

Ms. Crosson requested comments for the Climate Adaptation Master Plan for Water – Draft Year One Progress Report be due by May 3, 2024.

### 5. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None

#### 6. ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting will be held on May 30, 2024.

The meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Matt Petersen

Chair