

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

November 9, 2021

12:00 PM

Tuesday, November 9, 2021 Meeting Schedule
09:00 a.m. - L&C 10:00 a.m. - OP&T 11:30 a.m. - Break 12:00 p.m. - BOD

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525 Via La Selva • Redondo Beach, CA 90277

City Hall • 303 W. Commonwealth • Fullerton, CA 92832

3008 W. 82nd Place • Inglewood, CA 90305

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1. Call to Order

1.1 Invocation: Kenneth R. Morphis Jr., O&M Tech IV, Water System Operations

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance: Director Williams, West Basin MWD

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 Director's events attended at Metropolitan expense

[21-612](#)

Attachments: [11092021 BOD 5A Report](#)

- B. Chairwoman's Monthly Activity Report [21-613](#)
Attachments: [11092021 BOD 5B Report](#)
- C. General Manager's summary of activities [21-614](#)
Attachments: [11092021 BOD 5C Report](#)
- D. General Counsel's summary of activities [21-615](#)
Attachments: [11092021 BOD 5D Report - Revised](#)
- E. General Auditor's summary of activities [21-616](#)
Attachments: [11092021 BOD 5E Report](#)
- F. Ethics Officer's summary of activities [21-617](#)
Attachments: [11092021 BOD 5F Report](#)

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

6. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting for October 12, 2021 [21-593](#)
(Copies have been submitted to each Director) Any additions, corrections, or omissions
Attachments: [BOD Oct 12 Approved Minutes](#)
- B. Adopt resolution to continue remote teleconference meetings [21-601](#)
pursuant to the Brown Act Section 54953(e) for meetings of
Metropolitan's legislative bodies for a period of 30 days; the
General Manager has determined that the proposed action is
exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA
Attachments: [11092021 BOD 6B Resolution](#)
[Resolution 9288](#)

- C. Induction of new Director Nancy Sutley from the city of Los Angeles (Item Added 11/4/2021) **21-649**
- (a) Receive credentials
 - (b) Report on credentials by General Counsel
 - (c) File credentials
 - (d) Administer Oath of Office
 - (e) File Oath
- D. Approve Committee Assignments

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

7. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

- 7-1 Recommend that the Board approve proposed ethics-related amendments to the Administrative Code; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is not subject to CEQA. [Posting Separately] (AE) **21-568**
- Attachments:** [11092021 AE 7-1 B-L.pdf](#)
[10262021 AE 7-1 Presentation.pdf](#)
- 7-2 Award a \$1,477,000 contract to Minako America Corporation (dba Minco Construction) for replacement of ozone power supply units at the Joseph Jensen Water Treatment Plant and authorize an agreement with CDM Smith Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$800,000 for engineering services to support the Jensen ozone generation system rehabilitation; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EO) **21-595**
- Attachments:** [11092021 EO 7-2 B-L](#)
[11092021 EO 7-2 Presentation.pdf](#)
- 7-3 Award a \$9.2 million contract to CSI Electrical Contractors, Inc. for Stage 2 electrical upgrades at the Henry J. Mills Water Treatment Plant; authorize: (1) granting of a permanent easement to Riverside Public Utilities; and (2) an increase of \$830,000 to an agreement with Lee & Ro, Inc., for a new not-to-exceed amount of \$1,927,000 for engineering support; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EO) **21-597**
- Attachments:** [11092021 EO 7-3 B-L](#)
[11092021 EO 7-3 Presentation.pdf](#)

- 7-4** Adopt the CEQA determination that the proposed action has been previously addressed in the certified 2015 Final EIR and related CEQA documents; and award a \$6,044,896.76 procurement contract to Northwest Pipe Company for steel pipe to rehabilitate a portion of the Etiwanda Pipeline (EO) **[21-598](#)**

Attachments: [11092021 EO 7-4 B-L](#)
[11092021 EO 7-4 Presentation.pdf](#)

- 7-5** Award a \$3,280,920 contract to J.F. Shea, Construction, Inc. for lining of the Cholla Wash cut-and-cover conduit at Mile Marker 126 on the Colorado River Aqueduct; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EO) **[21-599](#)**

Attachments: [11092021 EO 7-5 B-La REVISED redlined.pdf](#)
[11092021 EO 7-5 Presentation.pdf](#)

- 7-6** Adopt Legislative Priorities and Principles for 2022; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (CL) **[21-600](#)**

Attachments: [11092021 CL 7-6 B-L](#)
[11092021 CL 7-6 Presentation.pdf](#)

- 7-7** Approve Metropolitan's annual membership in the North American Transmission Forum and authorize a one-time payment of \$5,000 and annual dues payment of \$28,500; the General Manager determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (CL) **[21-608](#)**

Attachments: [11092021 CL 7-7 B-L](#)
[11092021 CL 7-7 Presentation.pdf](#)

- 7-8** Adopt resolution declaring a Regional Drought Emergency, calling on Member Agencies to reduce use of State Water Project supplies, and granting the General Manager certain additional authorities; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA. (SUBJECT REVISED 11/3/2021) (WPS) **[21-640](#)**

Attachments: [11092021 WPS 7-8 B-L](#)
[11082021 WPS 7-8 Presentation.pdf](#)
[Memo from General Manager re Drought Emergency Resolution - 7-8](#)
[Letter from SDCWA re Drought Resolution](#)
[Resolution 9289](#)

- 7-9** Authorize implementation of modifications to the Turf Replacement Program, the Member Agency Administered Funds Program, the Pre-1994 Multi-Family Property Toilet Replacement Program, and the Southern California Gas Company Direct Install Program; the General Manager has determined that the proposed actions are exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (WPS) **[21-603](#)**

Attachments: [11092021 WPS 7-9 B-L](#)
[11082021 WPS 7-9 Presentation.pdf](#)

- 7-10** Authorize implementation of a new Municipal Leak Detection and Repair Grant Pilot Program; the General Manager has determined that the proposed actions are exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (WPS) **[21-604](#)**

Attachments: [11092021 WPS 7-10 B-L](#)
[11092021 WPS 7-10 Presentation.pdf](#)

- 7-11** Adopt resolution to support Metropolitan's application for the United States Bureau of Reclamation's Water and Energy Efficiency FY 2022 Grant Program of \$2 million to supplement funding for public agency landscapes within the Turf Replacement Program; authorize the General Manager to accept grant funds, if awarded; and authorize the General Manager to enter into a contract with United States Bureau of Reclamation for the grant funds, if awarded; the General Manager has determined that the proposed actions are exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (WPS) [21-606](#)

Attachments: [11092021 WPS 7-11 B-L](#)
[11082021 WPS 7-11 Presentation.pdf](#)
[Resolution 9290](#)

- 7-12** Authorize the General Manager to enter into agreements with the Quechan Tribe of the Fort Yuma Indian Reservation and farmers within Quechan tribal land to provide incentives for land fallowing related to the Metropolitan/Quechan Tribe Seasonal Fallowing Pilot Program, for up to \$1.6 million in 2022 and 2023; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (WPS) [21-605](#)

Attachments: [11092021 WPS 7-12 B-L](#)
[11092021 WPS 7-12 Presentation.pdf](#)

- 7-13** (1) Rescind the Board's June 8, 2021 action authorizing the General Manager to enter into a Local Resources Program (LRP) agreement with the Municipal Water District of Orange County (MWDOC) and Santa Margarita Water District (SMWD) for the Las Flores Recycled Water Expansion Project (Las Flores Project); review and consider SMWD's approved Final Mitigated Negative Declaration and Addendum for the Las Flores Project and take related CEQA actions; and, after the disclosure of a remote financial interest under Government Code Section 1090 (Section 1090) and director recusal, consider and authorize an LRP agreement with MWDOC and SMWD for the Las Flores Project. [21-648](#)

(2) Rescind the Board's December 13, 2016 actions authorizing the General Manager to enter into LRP agreements with MWDOC and SMWD for the Lake Mission Viejo Advanced Purification Water Treatment Facilities (Lake Mission Viejo Facilities) and with MWDOC and the El Toro Water District (ETWD) for the El Toro Recycled Water System Expansion Phase II Project (El Toro Project); after the disclosure of a remote financial interest under section 1090 and director recusal, consider and authorize LRP agreements with MWDOC and SMWD for the Lake Mission Viejo Facilities and with MWDOC and ETWD for the El Toro Project; and authorize retroactive LRP payments in the amounts of \$522,000 and \$110,000 for the Lake Mission Viejo Facilities and El Toro Project, respectively, as credit against returned payments in the same amount; the General Manager has determined these proposed actions are exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA. (SUBJECT REVISED 11/3/2021) (WPS)

Attachments: [11092021 WPS 7-13 A-4 EIR](#)
[11092021 WPS 7-13 B-L](#)
[11092021 WPS 7-13 Presentation.pdf](#)
[11082021 WPS 7-13 Chair Memo to Board.pdf](#)
[11082021 WPS 7-13 Ramos Memo to A&E Committee.pdf](#)

- 7-14** Authorize an increase of \$985,000 to an agreement with PlanNet, LLC for a new not-to-exceed amount of \$2.885 million for professional services in support of the Datacenter Modernization Relocation project; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (OPT) [21-602](#)

Attachments: [11092021 OPT 7-14 B-L](#)
[11092021 OPT 7-14 Presentation.pdf](#)
[email from Dir. Ortega re 7-14](#)

- 7-15** Authorize an increase of \$150,000, to a maximum amount not to exceed \$250,000 for the workers' compensation legal services contract with the law firm Kegel, Tobin & Truce A.P.C.; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA. (ITEM ADDED 11/3/2021) (LC) [21-647](#)

Attachments: [11092021 LC 7-15 B-L](#)

8. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION

None

9. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

- 9-1** Report on Conservation [21-611](#)

Attachments: [11092021 BOD 9-1 Report](#)

10. OTHER MATTERS

- 10-1** Department Head Performance Evaluations [Public Employees' performance evaluations; General Counsel, General Auditor and Ethics Officer; to be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code 54957.] [21-609](#)

- 10-2** Report on Department Head 2020 Salary Survey [21-610](#)

Attachments: [11092021 BOD 10-2 Presentation.pdf](#)

- 10-3** Discuss and Approve Compensation Recommendations for General Counsel, General Auditor, and Ethics Officer [21-423](#)

11. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

None

12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

13. ADJOURNMENT

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