

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.

L&C Committee

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Adjourned Legal and Claims Committee - Final - Revised 1

Meeting with Board of Directors *

August 16, 2022

1:00 p.m.

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**Tuesday, August 16, 2022
Meeting Schedule**

**08:30 a.m. Adj. A&E
10:30 a.m. Adj. OP&T
11:30 a.m. Adj. RPA&M
01:00 p.m. Adj. L&C
01:30 p.m. Adj. BOD**

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1. Opportunity for members of the public to address the committee on matters within the committee's jurisdiction (As required by Gov. Code Section 54954.3(a))

2. MANAGEMENT REPORTS

A. General Counsel's report of monthly activities

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

3. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION

A. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting of the Legal and Claims Committee held July 12, 2022

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Attachments: [08162022 LC 3A Minutes](#)

4. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

7-16 Report on legal claims alleging equal employment opportunity violations; and authorize an increase in the maximum amount payable under four contracts with Seyfarth Shaw LLP, for legal services as follows: Agreement No. 201897 by \$100,000 to an amount not to exceed \$200,000; Agreement No. 203436 by \$250,000 to an amount not to exceed \$350,000; Agreement No. 203454 by \$60,000 to an amount not to exceed \$160,000; and Agreement No. 203455 by \$75,000 to an amount not to exceed \$175,000; the General Manager has determined the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA. [Conference with legal counsel – anticipated litigation; based on existing facts and circumstances of receipt of four legal claims threatening litigation, there is significant exposure to litigation against Metropolitan: four potential cases; to be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)]. [REVISED SUBJECT]

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

5. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION

NONE

6. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

NONE

7. COMMITTEE ITEMS

NONE

8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

10. ADJOURNMENT

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