

# **THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**

## **MINUTES**

### **CONSERVATION AND LOCAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

**September 28, 2021**

Chair Abdo called the teleconference meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Members present: Chair Abdo, Vice Chair Quinn, Directors Ackerman, Atwater, Blois, Cordero, Erdman, Fellow, Hogan, Kurtz, Lefevre, and Morris

Members absent: Directors Pressman.

Other Board Members present: Chairwoman Gray, Directors Butkiewicz, Dick, Faessel, Goldberg, Jung, Luna, McCoy, Ramos, Record, Smith, and Tamaribuchi.

Staff present: Coffey, Goshi, Hagekheilil, Munguia, Schlotterbeck, and Upadhyay.

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

Mark Weyant, an Orange County resident, spoke in support of implementing alternative water saving methods, specifically for farming, such as an Aquaponics system, which is a closed loop water system.

- a. Presentation by John Entsminger, General Manager of the Southern Nevada Water Authority: "AB-365: Reshaping the Urban Landscape of Southern Nevada"

Mr. Entsminger provided presentation on AB-365: Reshaping the Urban Landscape of Southern Nevada.

The following Directors provided comments or asked questions:

1. Record
2. Butkiewicz
3. Quinn
4. Hogan

Mr. Entsminger responded to Directors questions and comments.

#### **CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS – ACTION**

## **2. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEM – ACTION**

- A. Approval of the Joint Minutes of the Adjourned Water Planning and Stewardship Committee and Conservation and Local Resources Committee held March 8, 2021.

## **3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS – ACTION**

None

No presentations were given, Director Ackerman made a motion, seconded by Director Kurtz to approve the consent calendar consisting of item 2A:

The vote was:

Ayes:	Directors Abdo, Ackerman, Atwater, Blois, Cordero, Erdman, Hogan, Kurtz, Lefevre, Morris and Quinn.
Noes:	None
Not Voting:	Director Fellow
Abstentions:	None
Absent:	Director Pressman

The motion passed by a vote of 11 ayes, 0 noes, 1 not voting, 0 abstain, and 1 absent.

## **END OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS**

## **4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS – ACTION**

None

## **5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS**

None

## 6. COMMITTEE ITEMS

- a. Subject: Review of Conservation Activity during FY 2020/21

Presented by: Elise Goldman, Resource Specialist, Water Resource Management

Ms. Goldman provided a recap of fiscal year 2020/2021 (FY 2020/21) conservation activities and expenditures covering the outdoor and indoor conservation incentive rebates. New conservation programs approved in FY 2020/21 were also discussed. New programs include: the Pre-1994 Multi-Family Property Toilet Program, the Residential Flow Monitor Device Pilot Program, and the Municipal System Leak Detection Incentive Program. Other conservation efforts, such as landscape classes, workshops and training events were also highlighted. Member Agency Administered Programs and the Innovative Conservation Program for 2020 were also highlighted.

- b. Subject: Metropolitan's Potential Activities to Increase Conservation in Response to Governor's California Conservation and Metropolitan's Water Supply Alert

Presented by: Bill McDonnell, Manager, Water Efficiency Team

Mr. McDonnell discussed potential Program modifications to current programs, including: Turf Replacement Program Expansion, Public Agency Turf Replacement Program Expansion, Public Agency MAAP Program, Pre-1994 Multi-Family Toilet Replacement Rebate Program, and Seasonal Incentive Increases. Potential new programs were also discussed: DAC Turf Replacement Program, Leak Detection and Repair Pilot Program, Rain Barrel Distribution Program, Flow Monitoring Device Direct Install/Distribution Pilot Program, School Water Efficiency Replacement Pilot Program, and the Municipal Leak Detection Pilot Program.

The following Directors provided comments or asked questions:

1. Hogan
2. Quinn
3. Kurtz
4. Record
5. Smith
6. Abdo
7. Ackerman

Staff responded to Directors questions and comments.

- c.     Subject:                 Review of Local Resource Program/On-Site Retrofit Activity  
                                     During FY 2020/21

Presented by:             Nadia Hardjadinata, Resource Specialist, Water Resource  
                                     Management

Ms. Hardjadinata discussed the Local Resource Programs evolution, refinements, recent updates, and additional efforts. Updates on the completed and on-going on-site retrofit activity during FY 2020/21 were also provided.

**7.     FOLLOW-UP ITEMS**

None

**8.     FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

None

**9.     ADJOURNMENT**

Next meeting will be held on October 26, 2021.

Meeting adjourned at 2:33 p.m.

Judy Abdo  
Chair