MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

January 11, 2025

53888 The Board of Directors of The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California met in a special session on Saturday, January 11, 2025.

Chair Ortega called the teleconference meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

53889 Board Executive Secretary Hudson administered the roll call. Those responding present were: Directors Armstrong, Bryant, Cordero, De Jesus, Dennstedt, Dick, Faessel, Fellow, Garza, Goldberg, Gray, Kassakhian, Kurtz, Lefevre, Lewitt, Ortega, Seckel, and Sutley.

Board Executive Secretary Hudson declared a quorum present.

Directors entered the meeting after the roll call: Alvarez, Crawford, Katz, Luna, McCoy, Pressman, and Ramos.

53890 Chair Ortega invited members of the public to address the Board limited to the items listed on the agenda (in-person and teleconference).

	Name	Affiliation	Comment
1.	Alan Shannahan	AFSCME Local 1902	Metropolitan Response to Fire

53891 Adopt resolution to continue remote teleconference meetings pursuant to the Brown Act Section 54953(e) for meetings of Metropolitan's legislative bodies for a period of 45 days from January 11, 2025 to February 25, 2025 (Agenda Item 5-1). Chair Ortega called for a vote to approve Board Item 5-1 (**M.I. No. 53891**).

Director Fellow moved, seconded by Director Bryant that the Board approve the Board Item 5-1 as follows:

Chair Ortega called on Interim General Manager Upadhyay to discuss Metropolitan response to the fires of 2025. Staff presented the item.

Directors entered the meeting: Alvarez, Crawford, Katz, Luna, McCoy, Pressman, and Ramos.

The following is a record of the vote:

Record of Vote on Item:	**5-1**								
Member Agency	**Total Votes**	**Director**	**Present**	**Yes**	**Yes Vote**	**No**	**No Vote**	**Abstain**	**Abstain Vote**
Anaheim	6306	Faessel	x	x	6306				
Beverly Hills	4677	Pressman	x	x	4677				
Burbank	3330	Ramos	x	x	3330				
Calleguas Municipal Water District	13627	McMillan							
Central Basin Municipal Water District	20265	Garza	x	x	10133				
		Crawford	x	x	10133				
			Subtotal:		20265				
Compton	678	McCoy	x					x	678
Eastern Municipal Water District	13623	Armstrong	x	x	13623				
Foothill Municipal Water District	2543	Bryant	x	x	2543				
Fullerton	2766	Jung							
Glendale	4165	Kassakhian	x	x	4165				
Inland Empire Utilities Agency	17103	Camacho							
Las Virgenes	3224	Lewitt	x	x	3224				
Long Beach	6805	Cordero	x	x	6805				
Los Angeles	83835	Sutley	x	x	41918				
		Petersen							
		Quinn							
		Luna	x	x	41918				
		Douglas							
			Subtotal:		83835				
Municipal Water Dist. of Orange County	68102	Ackerman							
		Seckel	x	x	34051				
		Dick	x	x	34051				
		Erdman							
			Subtotal:		68102				
Pasadena	4042	Kurtz	x	x	4042				
San Diego County Water Authority	70158	Fong-Sakai							
		Goldberg	x	x	35079				
		Miller							
		Katz	x	x	35079				
			Subtotal:		70158				
San Fernando	274	Ortega	x	x	274				
San Marino	836	Morris							
Santa Ana	3569	Phan							
Santa Monica	5055	Gold							
Three Valleys Municipal Water District	9019	De Jesus	x	x	9019				
Torrance	3781	Lefevre	x	x	3781				
Upper San Gabriel Valley Mun. Wat. Dist.	14079	Fellow	x	x	14079				
West Basin Municipal Water District	28764	Alvarez	x	x	14382				
		Gray	x	x	14382				
			Subtotal:		28764				
Western Municipal Water District	15689	Dennstedt	x	x	15689				
Total	**406315**				**362681**				**678**
Present and not voting									
Absent	**42956**								

The motion to approve the Board Item 5A (**M.I. No. 53891**) passed by a vote of 362,681 ayes; 0 noes; 678 abstain; 0 not voting; and 42,956 absent.

The following Director(s) asked questions or made comments:

Director(s)____

1. Sutley
2. Dennstedt
3. Dick
4. Kurtz

53892 There being no objection, at 12:33 p.m. Chair Ortega adjourned the meeting.

Rickita C. Hudson

RICKITA HUDSON
BOARD EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

ADÁN ORTEGA, JR.
CHAIR OF THE BOARD