

The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

Agenda

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Exec Committee

A. Ortega, Chair
M. Camacho, Board Vice
Chair
J. Garza, Board Vice
Chair
S. Goldberg, Board Vice
Chair
N. Sutley, Board Vice
Chair
L. Fong-Sakai, Board
Secretary
J. Armstrong
D. Erdman
G. Gray, Emeritus
J. Lewitt
M. Luna
T. McCoy
C. Miller
B. Pressman
T. Quinn
D. Alvarez, Alt
G. Bryant, Alt
G. Cordero, Alt
S. Faessel, Alt
A. Fellow, Alt
A. Kassakhian, Alt
M. Katz, Alt
J. McMillan, Alt
M. Ramos, Alt

Executive Committee

Meeting with Board of Directors *

February 25, 2025

10:30 a.m.

**Tuesday, February 25, 2025
Meeting Schedule**

10:30 a.m. EXEC

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2. OTHER MATTERS AND REPORTS

a. Chair's Report

Report on International Travel - Fourth Quarter of 2024 [21-4356](#)
(October - December 2024)

Attachments: [02252025 Exec 2A Report on International Travel - Fourth Quarter of 2024 \(October - December 2024\)](#)

b. General Manager's Report of Metropolitan Activities [21-4373](#)

Attachments: [02252025 Exec 2b Presentation](#)

c. General Counsel's Report of Metropolitan Activities

d. General Auditor's Report of Metropolitan Activities

e. Ethics Officer's Report of Metropolitan Activities

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

3. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION

A. Approval of the Minutes of the Special Executive Committee of July 11, 2023 and Executive Committee of November 20, 2024 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, any additions, corrections, or omissions). [21-4370](#)

Attachments: [02252025 Exec 3A \(07112023\) Minutes](#)
[02252025 Exec 3A \(11202024\) Minutes](#)

B. Approve draft Committee and Board meeting agendas and schedule for March 2025 [21-4290](#)

Attachments: [02252025 EXEC 3B March Draft Packet](#)

4. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

NONE

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

5. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

6. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

7. ADJOURNMENT

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Quarterly Report on International Travel Fourth Quarter of 2024 (October – December 2024)

This report summarizes all international travel approved pursuant to Metropolitan’s Administrative Code Section 6325(d), which requires the Chair of the Board to report quarterly to the Executive Committee on all international travel, which has been approved pursuant to this section for directors, Department Heads, and staff members.

Travel Date	Location	Director/Staff*	Purpose	Date Approved by GM	Date Reported to or Approved by Board Chair
None	None	None	None	None	None

*All staff listed are approved for travel. Final determination of actual travelers may be made prior to trip



Executive Committee
General Manager's Report
Key Areas of Focus in 2025

Item 2b

February 25, 2025



GM Business Plan
Established per
Fiscal Year

Strategic Priorities

Provide Long-Term Direction



EMPOWER the workforce and promote diversity, equity, and inclusion



SUSTAIN Metropolitan's mission with a strengthened business model



ADAPT to changing climate and water resources



PROTECT public health, the regional economy, and Metropolitan's assets



PARTNER with interested parties and the communities we serve



Pathway to the Future

Maintain Organizational Stability and Respond to Employee Needs

- Workforce development and recruitment
- Employee Inspection Trips
- Actions to address employee surveys
- Member agency and board engagement



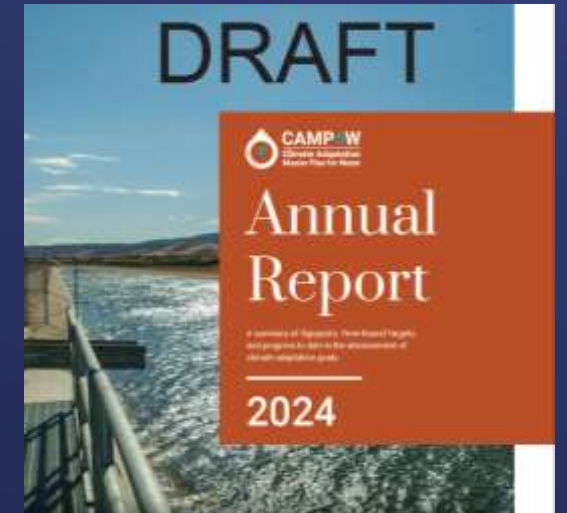


Pathway to the Future



Implement CAMP4W and Climate Adaptation Strategies

- Shift to CAMP4W implementation after board approval
- Report progress on Climate Action Plan and further develop climate adaptation strategies
- Proceed with risk assessments, including wildfire risk reduction efforts
- Use CAMP4W targets/criteria in project development and decision making
- Institute adaptive management





Pathway to the Future



Advance Supply Reliability

- Follow through with actions to address State Water Project Dependent Areas
- Colorado River negotiations in support of Metropolitan interests
- Release the DEIR for Pure Water Southern CA and progress on supporting agreements
- Sites Reservoir analysis to inform board decision





Pathway to the Future



Early Discussion to Inform 2026 Budget/Rates Development

- Cost savings and revenue target in current budget
- Spotlight operational and capital needs
- Increase Board familiarity with budget drivers
- Integrate near-term Business Model refinements
- Deliver draft proposed budget in Jan. 2026





Pathway to the Future



Modernizing Water Management and Supporting Financial Stability

Business Model working groups are exploring eight near-term refinements

1. Treated Water Surcharge
2. Reserve Policy
3. Water Sales Assumptions for Budgeting Purposes
4. Potential for Level Payment Plans
5. Potential for Member Agency Exchange Program
6. Potential for Policy to Support Sales Outside of Service Area
7. Conservation and Local Resource Planning
8. Basic Level of Service Policy

Achieve settlement of San Diego litigation



THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

MINUTES

SPECIAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

July 11, 2023

Chair Ortega called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

Chair Ortega announced at this time that we do not have any Directors participating in the meeting using AB 2449. We have members participating on Zoom, so we will complete a verbal roll call of committee members.

Members present: Directors Abdo, Camacho, Fong-Sakai, Goldberg, Jung (teleconference posted location), Luna, McCoy (teleconference posted location), Ortega, Pressman, Ramos, and Smith.

Members absent: Directors Cordero, Erdman, and Gray.

Members entered after roll call: Directors Quinn and Sutley.

Other Board members present: Directors Alvarez, Armstrong, Dennstedt, Dick, Garza, Miller, Pressman, and Seckel.

Committee staff present: Andrus, Hagekhalil, Hudson, Salinas, Scully, Suzuki, Upadhyay, Wheeler, Zinke.

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

NONE

2. COMMITTEE INFORMATION ITEMS

Subject: Department Head Performance and Goal Setting

Presented by: General Manager Adel Hagekhalil

The General Manager reported on his evaluation and the business plan.

Directors Quinn and Sutley entered the meeting.

Chair Ortega then addressed the Board and asked if any members had questions/comments.

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

Director(s)

1. Smith
2. Pressman
3. Sutley
4. Fong-Sakai
5. Ramos
6. Luna
7. Garza
8. Camacho
9. Dick
10. Ortega

Staff responded to the Director(s)' comments or questions.

3. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

4. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

NONE

5. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:06 p.m.

Adán Ortega, Jr.
Chair of the Board

THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

MINUTES

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

November 20, 2024

Chair Ortega called the meeting to order at 10:12 a.m.

Members present: Directors Armstrong, Cordero (teleconference posted location), Erdman, Fong-Sakai (teleconference posted location), Goldberg, Gray (teleconference posted location), Jung (teleconference posted location), McCoy, Ortega, Pressman (teleconference posted location), Quinn, Smith.

Members absent: Directors Camacho, De Jesus, Garza, Luna, and Sutley.

Other Board members present: Directors Alvarez and Fellow.

Committee staff present: Beatty, Hudson, Salinas, Scully, Suzuki, Upadhyay, Wheeler, and Zinke.

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2. OTHER MATTERS AND REPORTS

a. Subject: Chair's Report

Presented by: Chair Ortega

Chair Ortega reported that Metropolitan will have the Phil Pace dedication on January 28th, immediately following the Executive Committee.

b. Subject: Interim General Manager's Report of Metropolitan activities

Interim General Manager Upadhyay stated he had nothing to add to the report.

c. Subject: General Counsel's report of Metropolitan activities

General Counsel Scully stated she had nothing to add to the report.

- d. Subject: General Auditor's report of Metropolitan activities

General Auditor Suzuki stated he had nothing to add to the report.

- e. Subject: Ethics Officer's report of Metropolitan activities

Ethics Officer Salinas stated he had nothing to add to his report.

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS – ACTION

3. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS – ACTION

- A. Chair Ortega announced the minutes for the Special Executive Committee of July 31, 2023 (Agenda Item 3A) are being deferred.

- B. Approve the draft of the Committee and Board meeting agendas and schedule for December 2024.

Chair Ortega asked if there were any additions or deletions to the December 2024 draft packet.

Committee Chair Quinn reported that at the One Water and Stewardship Committee the following subject has been revised:

Authorize the General Manager to enter into agreements with the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation to implement phase two of the Lower Colorado River Basin System Conservation and Efficiency Program; and adopt CEQA determination that the environmental effects of the Antelope Valley-East Kern High Desert Water Bank and the Turf Replacement Programs were previously addressed in various CEQA documents and related actions.

Committee Chair Erdman reported that at the Engineering, Operations & Technology Committee the following subject has been revised:

Authorize entering into one or more agreements to accept up to \$125,472,855 in grant funding from the United States Bureau of Reclamation through the WaterSMART Large-Scale Water Recycling Program for Pure Water Southern California; the General Manager has determined that the proposed actions are exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS – ACTION

7-1 Subject: Approve amendments to the Metropolitan Water District Administrative Code Section 6451 regarding the Audit Department Charter.

Presented by: General Auditor Suzuki

General Auditor Suzuki indicated a presentation was given at the Audit Subcommittee that morning. No questions or comments.

Chair Ortega called for the vote on Items 3B and 7-1.

Director Quinn made a motion, seconded by Director Erdman, to approve the consent calendar Items 3B and 7-1 as presented, listed, and revised.

The vote was:

Ayes: Directors Armstrong, Cordero, Erdman, Fong-Sakai, Goldberg, Gray, Jung, McCoy, Ortega, Pressman, Quinn, and Smith.

Abstention: None

Recusal: None

Absent: Camacho, De Jesus, Garza, Luna, and Sutley.

The motion for Items 3B and 7-1 passed by a vote of 12 ayes; 0 noes; 0 abstention; and 5 absent.

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

5. COMMITTEE INFORMATION ITEMS

a. Subject: Report on the Colorado River Board Meeting.

Presented by: Director Cordero

Director Cordero reported on the Colorado River Board Meeting.

b. Subject: Colorado River Activities

Presented by: Bill Hasencamp

Mr. Hasencamp reported on Colorado River activities.

6. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS AND DISCUSSION

Director Armstrong reported on the items from the Audit Subcommittee of the Executive Committee.

7. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

NONE

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:31 a.m.

Adán Ortega, Jr.
Chair of the Board

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March 10-11, 2025

Committee and Board

Meeting

Agenda Packet



The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California



BOARD UPDATES

Schedule of Meetings – March 2025

Monday, March 10

- 9:00 a.m. Engineering, Operations, and Technology Committee
- 11:00 a.m. Legislation and Communications Committee
- 12:00 p.m. Break
- 12:30 p.m. Ethics, EEO, Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committee
- 2:00 p.m. Audit Committee
- 3:00 p.m. One Water and Adaptation Committee

Tuesday, March 11

- 8:30 a.m. Finance, Affordability, Asset Management and Efficiency Committee
- 11:30 a.m. Legal and Claims Committee
- 1:30 p.m. Break
- 2:00 p.m. Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, March 25

- 11:00 a.m. Executive Committee

Wednesday, March 26

- 9:30 a.m. Subcommittee on Long-Term Regional Planning Processes and Business Modeling

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EOT Committee

D. Erdman, Chair
S. Faessel, Vice Chair
D. Alvarez
G. Bryant
J. Crawford
B. Dennstedt
L. Fong-Sakai
R. Lefevre
J. McMillan
C. Miller
J. Morris
M. Petersen
K. Seckel

Engineering, Operations, and Technology Committee - Hidden

Meeting with Board of Directors *

March 10, 2025

9:00 a.m.

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

2. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION

- A.** Approval of the Minutes of the Engineering, Operations, and Technology Committee for February 10, 2025 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, any additions, corrections, or omissions) **21-4319**

3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

- 7-1** Award a \$407,740.66 procurement contract to Ireland Inc. (dba Core-Rosion Products) to furnish two sodium hypochlorite tanks for the Copper Basin Reservoir; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA **[21-4303](#)**
- 7-2** Award procurement contracts in the amount of \$321,575 to Integrated 8a Solutions, Inc. for two 24-inch knife gate valves and in the amount of \$2,151,947 to Bailey Valve for two 24-inch sleeve valves for the Hollywood Tunnel pressure control structure; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA **[21-4304](#)**
- 7-3** Authorize an increase of \$1.0 million to a professional services agreement with Grid Subject Matter Experts, LLC for a new not-to-exceed total amount of \$1.245 million for electric transmission planning and National Electric Reliability Corporation related electric reliability compliance services; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA **[21-4305](#)**

**** END OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS ******4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION**

NONE

5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

NONE

6. COMMITTEE ITEMS

- a.** Capital Investment Plan Quarterly Report for period ending December 2024 **21-4321**
- b.** Asset Management Program Update **21-4354**
- c.** Risk Management in Capital Project Planning and Delivery **21-4322**

7. MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

- a. Engineering Services activities **21-4323**
 - Information Technology activities
 - Water System Operations activities

8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

10. ADJOURNMENT

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LEG Committee

J. Lewitt, Chair
A. Fellow, VC
Communication
A. Kassakhian, VC
Legislation
L. Ackerman
B. Dennstedt
J. Garza
G. Gray
M. Luna
J. McMillan
J. Morris
T. Phan
B. Pressman
M. Ramos

Legislation and Communications Committee - Hidden

Meeting with Board of Directors *

March 10, 2025

11:00 a.m.

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- A. Approval of the minutes of the Legislation and Communications Committee for February 10, 2025 (copies have been submitted to each Director, any additions, corrections, or omissions) **21-4325**

3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

NONE

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

4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION

NONE

5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

NONE

6. COMMITTEE ITEMS

- a. Construction Outreach: Updates and Insight **21-4329**
- b. Report on Activities from Washington, D.C. **21-4327**
- c. Report on Activities from Sacramento **21-4328**

7. MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

- a. External Affairs activities **21-4326**

8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

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9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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Audit Committee

J. Armstrong, Chair
M. Ramos, Vice Chair
G. Cordero
D. De Jesus
J. Garza

Audit Committee - Hidden

Meeting with Board of Directors *

March 10, 2025

2:00 p.m.

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2. MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

- A. General Auditor's summary of activities 21-4362

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3. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Audit Subcommittee of the Executive Committee for November 20, 2024 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, Any additions, corrections, or omissions) 21-4179

4. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

NONE

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

5. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION

NONE

6. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

NONE

7. COMMITTEE ITEMS

- a. Quality Assurance & Improvement Program Results 21-4181
- b. Study, advise, or recommend on Board member/Board committee audit assignment requests 21-4182

8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

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

2. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Equity, Inclusion, and Affordability Committee for October 7, 2024 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, Any additions, corrections, or omissions) **21-4346**

3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

NONE

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

4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION

NONE

5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

NONE

6. COMMITTEE ITEMS

- a. State of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion and Metropolitan’s Approach **21-4348**
- b. Update on Workforce Development **21-4349**

7. MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

- a. Ethics Officer's report on monthly activities **21-4332**
- b. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion activities
Equal Employment Opportunity activities **21-4333**

8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

10. ADJOURNMENT

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The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California

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OWA Committee

T. Quinn, Chair
M. Katz, Vice Chair
L. Ackerman
D. Alvarez
J. Armstrong
G. Cordero
D. De Jesus
D. Erdman
L. Fong-Sakai
M. Gold
S. Goldberg
C. Kurtz
R. Lefevre
J. Lewitt
C. Miller
B. Pressman
N. Sutley

One Water and Adaptation Committee - Hidden

Meeting with Board of Directors *

March 10, 2025

3:00 p.m.

**Monday, March 10, 2025
Meeting Schedule**

**09:00 a.m. EOT
11:00 a.m. LEG
12:00 p.m. Break
12:30 p.m. EEDEI
02:00 p.m. AUDIT
03:00 p.m. OWA**

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

2. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting One Water Stewardship Committee for February 10, 2025 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, any additions, corrections, or omissions) **21-4334**

3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

- 7-4 Authorize the General Manager to enter into agreements with City of San Buenaventura and Calleguas Municipal Water District for wheeling and emergency delivery of State Water Project water; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [21-4307](#)
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- 7-6 Authorize the General Manager to enter into a Stormwater for Recharge Pilot Program agreement with the City of Anaheim with a maximum amount up to \$980,000 for the State College Stormwater Tank Project; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [21-4309](#)
- 7-7 Authorize the General Manager to enter into agreements with Coachella Valley Water District, Imperial Irrigation District, Palo Verde Irrigation District, and the City of Needles to allow water to be added to Lake Mead under U.S. Bureau of Reclamation's Lower Colorado River Basin System Conservation and Efficiency Program; the General Manager has determined the proposed actions are exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [21-4310](#)

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

4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION

- 8-1 Authorize an increase of maximum amount payable under the contract with Richardson & Company LLP for auditing services related to State Water Project charges from \$5,125,000 to an amount not to exceed \$8,900,000 and extend the term by three years to March 31, 2028; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [21-4306](#)

5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

NONE

6. COMMITTEE ITEMS

- a. Update on Water Surplus and Drought Management **21-4341**
- b. Palo Verde Valley Land Ownership Analysis **21-4342**

7. MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

- a. Bay-Delta Resources activities **21-4335**
Colorado River Resources activities
Water Resources Management activities

8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

10. ADJOURNMENT

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FAAME Committee

C. Miller, Chair
D. Alvarez, VC Budget
J. Armstrong
G. Bryant
D. De Jesus
B. Dennstedt
L. Fong-Sakai
M. Gold
J. McMillan
M. Petersen
B. Pressman
T. Quinn
K. Seckel

Finance, Affordability, Asset Management, and Efficiency Committee - Hidden

Meeting with Board of Directors *

March 11, 2025

8:30 a.m.

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**Tuesday, March 11, 2025
Meeting Schedule**

**08:30 a.m. FAAME
11:30 a.m. LEGAL
01:30 p.m. Break
02:00 p.m. BOD**

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

2. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Finance and Asset Management Committee Meeting for February 11, 2025 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, any additions, corrections, or omissions) **21-4350**

3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

- 7-8 Authorize the General Manager to execute a new 25-year ground license for telecommunications facilities with Verizon Wireless in the City of Winchester; the subject telecom site is located in the City of Winchester, identified as County of Riverside Assessor Parcel No 964-030-005-3; CEQA [21-4311](#)
- 7-9 Review and consider the County of Riverside Final Environmental Impact Report and Authorize the General Manager to execute a new thirty-year license agreement to Intersect Power, LLC, for renewable energy infrastructure purposes on Metropolitan fee-owned property in the County of Riverside and identified as Assessor Parel Numbers 808-023-022, 808-023-030 [21-4312](#)

**** END OF CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS ******4. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION**

- 8-2 Approve Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency High Desert Groundwater Banking Program Agreement Amendment [CEQA] [21-4313](#)
- 8-3 Authorize Fleet Financing Program; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [21-4314](#)

5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

NONE

6. COMMITTEE ITEMS

- a. Review Draft Climate Adaptation Master Plan for Water Implementation Strategy **21-4364**

7. MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

- a. Finance, Affordability, Asset Management, and Efficiency activities Sustainability, Resilience, and Innovation activities **21-4351**

8. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS AND DISCUSSION

- a. Report from Subcommittee on Long-Term Regional Planning Processes and Business Modeling **21-4352**
- b. Discuss and provide direction to Subcommittee on Long-Term Regional Planning Processes and Business Modeling **21-4353**

9. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

10. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

11. ADJOURNMENT

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L&C Committee

M. Luna, Chair
J. McMillan, Vice Chair
M. Camacho
G. Cordero
L. Dick
C. Douglas
A. Fellow
C. Kurtz
T. McCoy
C. Miller
M. Ramos
K. Seckel

Legal and Claims Committee - Hidden

Meeting with Board of Directors *

March 11, 2025

11:30 a.m.

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2. MANAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

- A. General Counsel's report of monthly activities 21-4344

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

3. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Legal and Claims Committee for February 11, 2025 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, any additions, corrections, or omissions) 21-4345

4. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

- 7-10 Approve amendments to the Metropolitan Water District Administrative Code to conform surplus water provisions to current law and practice, update the list of active District funds, and clarify employee benefits for unrepresented employees; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [21-4204](#)

- 7-11 Authorize an increase of \$100,000, to an amount not-to-exceed \$600,000, for a contract for legal services with Hanson Bridgett LLP to provide legal advice on deferred compensation plans, other employee benefits, taxes, and CalPERS matters; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [21-4367](#)

- 7-12 Placeholder Admin Code Change Governance Changes [21-4365](#)

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

5. OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION

- 8-4 Report on litigation in Ryan Tiegs v. Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, Riverside County Superior Court Case No. CVPS2306176, and authorize increase in the maximum amount payable under a contract for legal services with Seyfarth Shaw LLP in the amount of \$300,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$825,000; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [Conference with legal counsel – existing litigation; to be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)]. [21-4366](#)

- 8-5 Placeholder Liebert Cassidy Whitmore [21-4368](#)

6. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

NONE

7. COMMITTEE ITEMS

- a. Report on litigation in San Diego County Water Authority v. Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, et al., San Francisco County Superior Court Case Nos. CPF-10-510830, CPF-12-512466, CPF-14-514004, CPF-16-515282, CPF-16-515391, CGC-17-563350, and CPF-18-516389; the appeals of the 2010 and 2012 actions, Court of Appeal for the First Appellate District Case Nos. A146901, A148266, A161144, and A162168, and California Supreme Court Case No. S243500; the petition for extraordinary writ in the 2010 and 2012 actions, Court of Appeal for the First Appellate District Case No. A155310; the petition for extraordinary writ in the second 2016 action, Court of Appeal for the First Appellate District Case No. A154325 and California Supreme Court Case No. S251025; the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California v. San Diego County Water Authority cross-complaints in the 2014, 2016, and 2018 actions; and the appeals of the 2014, 2016, and 2018 actions, Court of Appeal for the First Appellate District Case No. A170156; and provide direction to staff on potential settlement of the 2014, 2016, and 2018 actions, including the cross-complaints and appeals, San Francisco County Superior Court Case Nos. CPF-14-514004, CPF-16-515282, and CPF-18-516389 and Court of Appeal for the First Appellate District Case No. A170156; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA [Conference with legal counsel – existing litigation; to be heard in closed session pursuant to Gov. Code Sections 54956.9(d)(1)] **21-4343**

8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

10. ADJOURNMENT

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Board of Directors - Hidden

March 11, 2025

2:00 PM

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1. Call to Order

- a. Invocation: TBD
- b. Pledge of Allegiance: TBD

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 Directors' Events Attended at Metropolitan's Expense 21-4296

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| B. | Chair's Monthly Activity Report | 21-4297 |
| C. | General Manager's summary of activities | 21-4298 |
| D. | General Counsel's summary of activities | 21-4299 |
| E. | General Auditor's summary of activities | 21-4300 |
| F. | Ethics Officer's summary of activities | 21-4301 |
| G. | Presentation of 35-year Service Pin to Director John Morris, City of San Marino | 21-4317 |

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

6. CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS - ACTION

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| A. | Approval of the Minutes of the Special Joint Meeting of the Executive Committee and Board of Directors for January 21, 23, and 29, 2025 and Board of Directors Meeting for February 11, 2025 (Copies have been submitted to each Director, any additions, corrections, or omissions) | 21-4302 |
| B. | Nomination and Election of nonofficer members of the Executive Committee for two-year term effective March 11, 2025 | 21-4315 |
| C. | Approve Committee Assignments | |

7. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

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| 7-1 | Award a \$407,740.66 procurement contract to Ireland Inc. (dba Core-Rosion Products) to furnish two sodium hypochlorite tanks for the Copper Basin Reservoir; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EOT) | <u>21-4303</u> |
| 7-2 | Award procurement contracts in the amount of \$321,575 to Integrated 8a Solutions, Inc. for two 24-inch knife gate valves and in the amount of \$2,151,947 to Bailey Valve for two 24-inch sleeve valves for the Hollywood Tunnel pressure control structure; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EOT) | <u>21-4304</u> |

- 7-3** Authorize an increase of \$1.0 million to a professional services agreement with Grid Subject Matter Experts, LLC for a new not-to-exceed total amount of \$1.245 million for electric transmission planning and National Electric Reliability Corporation related electric reliability compliance services; the General Manager has determined that the proposed action is exempt or otherwise not subject to CEQA (EOT) [21-4305](#)
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- 8-5** Placeholder Liebert Cassidy Whitmore (LC) [21-4368](#)

9. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS

9-1 Report on Conservation Program

21-4316

10. OTHER MATTERS

NONE

11. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

NONE

12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

13. ADJOURNMENT

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