

**Summary Report for
The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
Board Meeting
September 12, 2023**

OTHER MATTERS AND REPORTS

Presentation of 10-year Service Pin to Director Russell Lefevre. **(Agenda Item 6G)**

CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS – ACTION

Approved Resolution confirming Director John T. Morris for Association of California Water Agencies Region 8 Board Member. **(Item 7A)**

Approved committee assignments for Director Miguel Angel Luna to serve as Chair of the Legal and Claims Committee; Director Matt Petersen to serve as a member of the Engineering, Operations, and Technology Committee; and Director Carl Douglas to serve as a member of the Legal and Claims Committee and Ethics, Organization, and Personnel Committee. **(Item 7C)**

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS - ACTION

Awarded a \$3,895,000 contract to Miller Pipeline to furnish and install internal seals in Freda Siphon Barrel No. 1 along the CRA conveyance system. **(Agenda Item 7-1)**

(a) Authorized an agreement with J.F. Shea Construction Inc. for a not-to-exceed amount of \$9.8 million for Phase 1 design-build services for the Sepulveda Feeder Pump Stations Project; (b) Authorized an increase of \$1.5 million to an existing agreement with Carollo Engineers Inc. for a new not-to-exceed amount of \$2.49 million to serve as the owner’s advisor through the Phase 1 design-build agreement; and (c) Amend Metropolitan’s Project Labor Agreement to include the Sepulveda Feeder Pump Stations Project. **(Agenda Item 7-2)**

Adopted a resolution designating Metropolitan’s maximum medical contributions on the highest HMO Plan Region 2, Anthem Traditional HMO, to comply with the current authorized Memoranda of Understandings. **(Agenda Item 7-3)**

Reviewed and considered Eastern Municipal Water District’s certified Final Environmental Impact Report and Addendum, and take related CEQA actions, and authorized the General Manager to enter into a Local Resources Program Agreement with Eastern Municipal Water District for the French Valley Recycled Water Distribution Project for up to 140 AFY of recycled water for irrigation use in the Eastern Municipal Water District service area. **(Agenda Item 7-4)**

Authorized the General Manager to execute a second amendment to extend the office lease located in Washington D.C. an additional ninety months with an option to extend another thirty-six months. **(Agenda Item 7-5)**

Approved use of Representative Concentration Pathway 8.5 for planning purposes in the Climate Adaptation Master Plan for Water. **(Agenda Item 7-6)**

OTHER BOARD ITEMS - ACTION

Awarded a \$15,681,000 contract to Steve P. Rados Inc. to construct an intertie pipeline between the Inland Feeder and Rialto Pipeline. This project is part of water supply reliability improvements in the Rialto Pipeline service area. **(Agenda Item 8-1)**

By a two-thirds vote, authorized payments of up to \$4.16 million for participation in the State Water Contractors for FY 2023/24. **(Agenda Item 8-2)**

Reviewed and considered Addenda Nos. 1, 2, and 3 to the Mitigated Negative Declaration previously adopted by the Antelope Valley-East Kern Water Agency for the High Desert Water Bank; approved changes to the design, construction, and operation of Water Bank facilities as described in the board letter; and authorized up to \$80 million for additional costs associated with these changes. **(Agenda Item 8-3)**

(a) Authorized three new agricultural lease agreements with Joey DeConinck Farms, Nish Noroian Farms, and Red River Farms, thereby allowing these existing lessees to continue farming on Metropolitan's fee owned properties in the Palo Verde Valley, according to price and terms directions given in closed session; and (b) authorized staff to issue replacement lease(s) in the event of a tenant default. **(Agenda Item 8-4)**

(a) Authorized filing cross-complaints as described in the board letter; (b) authorized an increase in the maximum amount payable under contract with Musick, Peeler & Garrett LLP, for legal services by \$800,000 to an amount not to exceed \$2,500,000; and (c) authorized an increase in the maximum amount payable under contract with Exponent, Inc., for consulting services by \$200,000 to an amount not to exceed \$600,000. **(Agenda Item 8-5)**

OTHER MATTERS

Department Head Performance Evaluations [Public Employees' performance evaluations; General Manager, General Counsel, and Ethics Officer. **(Agenda Item 11-1) Item deferred**

Reported on Department Head 2023 Salary Survey. **(Agenda Item 11-2) Item deferred**

Discussed and Approved Compensation Recommendations for General Manager, General Counsel, and Ethics Officer. **(Agenda Item 11-3) Item deferred**

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OF THE MEETING.**

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