

**Summary Report for
The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
Board Meeting
March 14, 2023**

CONSENT CALENDAR OTHER ITEMS – ACTION

Approved Commendatory Resolutions for Directors Phillip Hawkins and Robert Apodaca both representing Central Basin Municipal Water District; Randy Record representing Eastern Municipal Water District; Steve Blois representing Calleguas Municipal Water District; Satoru Tamaribuchi representing Municipal Water District of Orange County; and Harold C. Williams representing West Basin Municipal Water District. **(Agenda Item 5B)**

Approved Committee Assignments. **(Agenda Item 5C)**

Subcommittee on Pure Water Southern California and Regional Conveyance:

A. Chacon, Chair
J. Morris, Vice Chair
D. Alvarez
M. Camacho
A. Fellow
L. Fong-Sakai
R. Lefevre
M. Luna
J. McMillan
G. Peterson
K. Seckel

Subcommittee on Bay-Delta:

T. Quinn, Chair
L. Ackerman, Vice Chair
D. Alvarez
J. Armstrong
D. Erdman
R. Lefevre
M. Luna
C. Miller
T. Smith

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(a) Adopted the Twenty-Fifth Supplemental Resolution to the Master Bond Resolution authorizing the issuance of up to \$330 million of Water Revenue Bonds, 2023 Series, and providing the terms and conditions for the sale and issuance of said Water Revenue Bonds; and (b) Approved approximately \$1.1 million for the payment of the costs of issuance of the Water Revenue Bonds to be paid from bond proceeds or Metropolitan funds. **(Agenda Item 7-1)**

Authorized issuing a license agreement to Brightline West for an initial fifty-year term with options to extend, totaling an additional fifty years. **(Agenda Item 7-2)**

(a) Authorized agreement with Black & Veatch Corporation, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$8 million for the preliminary design of conveyance Reach 1 of the Pure Water Southern California program. (b) Authorized agreement with HDR Engineering, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$9 million for preliminary design of conveyance Reach 2 of the Pure Water Southern California program. (c) Adopted a resolution to support a grant application to the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation for water recycling and desalination planning and authorized the General Manager or a designated representative to accept the grant if awarded. **(Agenda Item 7-3)**

Authorized an increase of \$500,000 in change order authority for the contract to replace the overhead bridge cranes at the five Colorado River Aqueduct pumping plants. **(Agenda Item 7-4)**

Authorized on-call agreements with Fugro USA Land, Inc., GeoPentech, Inc., Geosyntec Consultants, Inc., and Kleinfelder West, Inc., in amounts not to exceed \$3 million each, for a maximum period of five years for geotechnical engineering services. **(Agenda Item 7-5)**

Awarded a \$394,534 contract to Slater Waterproofing, Inc. to rehabilitate concrete walls within the ozone contactor structure at the Robert A. Skinner Water Treatment Plant. **(Agenda Item 7-6)**

Adopted the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Copper Basin Discharge Valve Replacement and Access Road Improvements Project and take related CEQA actions. **(Agenda Item 7-7)**

Authorize the General Manager to enter into an agreement with Western Municipal Water District, Rubidoux Community Services District, West Valley Water District, and San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District to provide Rubidoux Community Services District assistance with water deliveries. **(Agenda Item 7-8) (Deferred to April)**

Removed the Water Shortage Emergency Condition declared on April 26, 2022, for the SWP Dependent Area, terminated the Emergency Water Conservation Program and application of any penalties accrued. **(Agenda Item 7-9)**

Approved adoption of the salary schedule to ensure compliance with California Code Regulations, Section 570.5, and the negotiated MOUs. **(Agenda Item 7-10)**

Adopted two new Resolutions to ensure compliance with the current Memoranda of Understandings and Administrative Code 6521 according to Government Code Sections 20636, 20691, and California Code of Regulations Section 569. **(Agenda Item 7-11)**

Approved proposed amendment to Administrative Code Section 6471 to increase the amount of the Ethics Officer's authority to obtain professional services for external investigations from \$50,000 to \$100,000. **(Agenda Item 7-12)**

Authorized an increase in the maximum amount payable under contract with Burke, Williams & Sorensen, LLP for general real estate legal services by \$100,000 to a maximum amount payable of \$200,000. **(Agenda Item 7-13)**

Authorized the General Counsel to increase the amount payable under its agreement with Olson Remcho LLP by \$100,000 to a maximum amount payable of \$400,000. **(Agenda Item 7-14)**

(a) Approved amendments to the Metropolitan Water District Administrative Code, as shown in Attachment 2 of the Board letter, to provide for the implementation of new legislation authorizing the use of alternative project delivery methods. (b) Adopted an organizational conflict-of-interest policy, as shown in Attachment 3 of the Board letter, governing the solicitation of a design-build or progressive design-build project. (c) Authorized an increase in the maximum amount payable under contract with Hanson Bridgett LLP for legal services related to implementation of new legislation by \$150,000 to an amount not to exceed \$250,000. **(Agenda Item 7-15)**

Authorized increase in maximum amount payable under contract for legal services with Seyfarth Shaw LLP in the Reese v. Metropolitan lawsuit in the amount of \$300,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$400,000. **(Agenda Item 7-16)**

OTHER MATTERS AND REPORTS

Presented Commendatory Resolution honoring Director Gloria D. Gray, West Basin Municipal Water District for her leadership during her term as Chair of Metropolitan's Board of Directors. **(Agenda Item 5G)**

THIS INFORMATION SHOULD NOT BE CONSIDERED THE OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE MEETING.

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