

SAWPA COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES MARCH 6, 2018

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT S

Susan Lien Longville, Chair, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District

Ronald W. Sullivan, Vice Chair, Eastern Municipal Water District Jasmin A. Hall, Secretary-Treasurer, Inland Empire Utilities Agency

Bruce Whitaker, Alternate, Orange County Water District Thomas P. Evans, Western Municipal Water District

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT

Philip L. Anthony, Orange County Water District

ALTERNATE COMMISSIONERS

PRESENT; NON-VOTING David J. Slawson, Alternate, Eastern Municipal Water District

Brenda Dennstedt, Alternate, Western Municipal Water District [9:47 a.m.] Gil Navarro Alternate, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District

STAFF PRESENT

Rich Haller, Larry McKenney, Karen Williams, Mark Norton, Dean

Unger, David Ruhl, Carlos Quintero, Mike Antos, Regina Patterson, Kelly

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The Regular Commission Meeting of the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority was called to order at 9:31 a.m. by Chair Longville at the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority, 11615 Sterling Avenue, Riverside, California.

1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. ROLL CALL

Roll call was duly noted and recorded by the Clerk of the Board.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: FEBRUARY 6, 2018

Recommendation: Approve as posted.

B. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: FEBRUARY 20, 2018

Recommendation: Approve as posted.

MOVED, approve the Consent Calendar.

Result:

Adopted (Unanimously)

Motion/Second:

Evans/Hall

Ayes:

Evans, Hall, Longville, Sullivan, Whitaker

Nays:

None None

Abstentions: Absent:

None

5. **NEW BUSINESS**

BRINE LINE SERVICE CONTRACTS - REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) (CM#2018.27)

Carlos Quintero provided a PowerPoint presentation about the proposed Requests for Proposals for the Inland Empire Brine Line service contracts. Commissioner Sullivan asked staff to include the preceding year's budget in future requests of this nature.

MOVED, authorize staff to issue Requests for Proposals (RFPs for the Inland empire Brine Line service contracts.

Result:

Adopted (Unanimously)

Motion/Second:

Sullivan/Whitaker

Ayes:

Evans, Hall, Longville, Sullivan, Whitaker

Nays:

None

Abstentions:

Absent:

None None

INLAND EMPIRE BRINE LINE REACH 4D REHABILITATION WORK PLAN B. (CM#2018.28)

David Ruhl provided a PowerPoint presentation on the Inland Empire Brine Line Reach 4D Rehabilitation Work Plan and proposed General Services Agreement and Task order with Woodard & Curran to provide engineering design services.

MOVED, authorize the General Manager to execute a General Services Agreement and Task Order No. W&C327-01 with Woodard & Curran in an amount not to exceed \$237,981 to provide engineering design services for the Inland Empire Brine Line Reach 4D Rehabilitation Work Plan, including a 5% contingency for field investigation related changes (\$11,332).

Result:

Adopted (Unanimously)

Motion/Second:

Evans, Sullivan

Ayes:

Evans, Hall, Longville, Sullivan, Whitaker

Nays: Abstentions:

None None

Absent:

None

CONTRIBUTED FUNDS AGREEMENT WITH US DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR C. BUREAU OF RECLAMATION FOR THE OWOW PLAN UPDATED 2018 (CM#2018.29)

Mike Antos provided a PowerPoint presentation on the OWOW Plan Update 2018 including recently received feedback from DWR regarding Proposition 1 IRWM grant funding and anticipated timeline. Antos' presentation also outlined a proposed agreement with the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, for the SAWPA One Water One Watershed (OWOW) Hydroclimate Analysis.

Antos will provide a more detailed presentation to the Commission on the DWR Proposal Solicitation Package (PSP) at a future meeting.

MOVED, authorize the General Manager to execute Contributed Funds Agreement No. R18CF35002 with the United States Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation, in the amount of \$67,872 for the SAWPA One Water One Watershed Hydroclimate Analysis.

Result:

Adopted (Unanimously)

Motion/Second:

Evans/Hall

Ayes:

Evans, Hall, Longville, Sullivan, Whitaker

Nays: Abstentions:

None None

Absent:

None

D. POSITIONS ON AB 2003 (DALY) AND AB 2050 (CABALLERO) (CM#2018.30)

Larry McKenney provided an oral presentation on AB 2003 (Daly) and AB 2050 (Caballero); staff recommended adopting a support position on both bills.

AB 2003 (Daly) affects County sanitation districts. The bill, sponsored by OCSD, would replace the standard requirement for publishing bidding information for construction projects in a newspaper of general circulation with the option to adopt more modern, effective methods of publishing bidding information, including the use of the internet.

AB 2050 (Caballero) is legislation developed and sponsored by EMWD; the California Municipal Utilities Association is a co-sponsor. The bill is an alternative approach to address first steps with regard to disadvantaged communities water supply challenges. The bill would develop governance mechanisms before they are funded so entities have the technical, managerial and financial capacity to meet the requirements of California's Human Right to Water. The bill language continues to be developed and has yet to be finalized. Paul Jones, EMWD General Manager, provided a handout which superseded pages 104-106 of the agenda packet.

Adan Ortega, Executive Director, California Association of Municipal Water Companies (CalMutuals) and Mike Iverson, Western Heights Water Company General Manager addressed the Commission voicing support for AB 2050 with amended language. Paul Jones, EMWD General Manager, noted staff will continue meetings with Mr. Ortega and Mr. Iverson working together toward proposed language for the bill. Chair Longville invited Paul Jones to give a full presentation to the Commission on AB 2050 at a future meeting.

Alternate Commissioner Brenda Dennstedt arrived at 9:47 a.m., during public comments.

Discussion ensued regarding whether or not SAWPA should support AB 2050 if amended or support the bill in concept. Larry McKenney noted the agenda materials state that the language of the bill continues to evolve; the Commission could take a position of support for the bill at this time and direct staff to bring the matter back before the Commission when the language is more refined to reconsider their position at that time. The Commission concurred; staff was directed to bring the matter back to the Commission and provide a full presentation on the amended language of AB 2050.

MOVED, adopt "support" positions on AB 2003 and AB 2050 and authorize the General Manager to send appropriate support letters.

Result:

Adopted (Unanimously)

Motion/Second:

Whitaker/Sullivan

Ayes:

Evans, Hall, Longville, Sullivan, Whitaker

Nays: Abstentions:

None None

Absent:

None

6. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

The following oral/written reports/updates were received and filed.

A. CHAIR'S COMMENTS/REPORT

Chair Longville noted the February 22 East Branch Extension II grand opening was a success.

B. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

The Commission expressed well wishes for Commissioner Phil Anthony.

C. COMMISSIONERS' REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no additional requests for future agenda items.

7. <u>CLOSED SESSION</u>

Chair Longville recessed the meeting to Closed Session at 9:58 a.m. Designated personnel essential to the discussion of Agenda Item No. 7.A. were present during Closed Session until that discussion concluded at 12:10 p.m. From that time forward, no designated personnel were present during Closed Session other than General Manager Rich Haller.

A. <u>CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION PURSUANT TO</u> GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(d)(1)

Name of Case: Spiniello Companies v. Charles King Company, Inc., Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority, The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company (Superior Court of Los Angeles BC616589)

B. PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957.6 – CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR

SAWPA Designated Representative: General Manager Richard E. Haller

Non-Represented Employees: All SAWPA employees

Chair Longville resumed Open Session at 12:20 p.m. There was no reportable action.

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for review, Chair Longville adjourned the meeting at 12:20 p.m.

Approved at a Regular Meeting of the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority Commission on Tuesday, March 20.2018.

Susan Lien Longville, Chair

Clerk of the Board