



**SAWPA COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 15, 2020**

<u>COMMISSIONERS PRESENT</u>	David J. Slawson, Chair, Eastern Municipal Water District Kelly E. Rowe, Secretary-Treasurer, Orange County Water District Brenda Dennstedt, Western Municipal Water District T. Milford Harrison, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District
<u>COMMISSIONERS ABSENT</u>	None
<u>ALTERNATE COMMISSIONERS PRESENT; NON-VOTING</u>	June D. Hayes, Alternate, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District
<u>STAFF PRESENT</u>	Rich Haller, Karen Williams, Carlos Quintero, David Ruhl, Mark Norton, Dean Unger, Rick Whetsel, Kelly Berry
<u>OTHERS PRESENT</u>	Andrew D. Turner, Lagerlof, LLP; Michael Boccadoro, West Coast Advisors; Beth Olhasso, West Coast Advisors; Gary Phillips, Bob Murray & Associates

The Regular Commission meeting of the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority was called to order at 9:32 a.m. by Chair Slawson on behalf of the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority, 11615 Sterling Avenue, Riverside, California. The record will reflect this meeting was conducted virtually.

1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pursuant to the provisions of Executive Order N-29-20 issued by Governor Gavin Newsom, this meeting was conducted virtually. Members of the public who were unable to participate by teleconference or virtually were invited to submit comments and questions in writing via email for the Commission's consideration. All votes taken during this meeting were conducted via oral roll call.

2. ROLL CALL

An oral roll call was duly noted and recorded by the Clerk of the Board.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments; there were no public comments received via email.

4. ITEMS TO BE ADDED OR DELETED

There were no added or deleted items.

5. WORKSHOP DISCUSSION AGENDA

A. LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Michael Boccadoro and Beth Olhasso, West Coast Advisors provided a PowerPoint presentation with an election recap, 2021 preview, and key issues.

This item was for informational and discussion purposes; no action was taken on Agenda Item No. 5.A.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: DECEMBER 1, 2020

Recommendation: Approve as posted.

MOVED, approve the Consent Calendar.

Result:	Adopted by Roll Call Vote (Unanimously)
Motion/Second:	Rowe/Dennstedt
Ayes:	Dennstedt, Harrison, Rowe, Slawson
Nays:	None
Abstentions:	None
Absent:	None

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. CONTRACT AMENDMENT | RICH HALLER (CM#2020.79)

Rich Haller provided an oral report. There was no discussion.

MOVED, approve the Third Amendment to Employment Agreement between the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority and Rich Haller (Third Amendment) and authorize the Commission Chair to execute the Third Amendment.

Result:	Adopted by Roll Call Vote (Unanimously)
Motion/Second:	Harrison/Rowe
Ayes:	Dennstedt, Harrison, Rowe, Slawson
Nays:	None
Abstentions:	None
Absent:	None

B. REGIONAL WATER QUALITY MONITORING TASK FORCE | SANTA ANA RIVER REGIONAL BACTERIA MONITORING PROGRAM – CONSULTANT TASK ORDER (CM#2020.82)

Due to a possible conflict of interest with CDM Smith, Commissioner Rowe left the meeting at 10:08 a.m. and was not present during the discussion of or voting on Agenda Item No. 7.B.

Rick Whetsel provided a PowerPoint presentation contained in the agenda packet on pages 20 – 31. Members of the evaluation panel were present – Richard Boon, Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District and Arlene Chun, San Bernardino County Flood Control District; input was provided relating to the panel's evaluation and recommendation. Alberto Acevedo, CDM Smith, was present and stated there were no problems with the bid or contract documents or the scope of work to be performed. Commissioner Dennstedt thanked Acevedo for his comments and stated she would accordingly not anticipate a change order relating to the scope set forth in the bid and contract documents. Matt Mekertichian, KMEA Business Development Manager, affirmed this was a fair process, all the information was provided within the bid documents, expressed an interest in working with SAWPA on a future project, and congratulated CDM Smith for the award of contract.

MOVED, authorize the General Manager to execute (1) General Services Agreement with CDM Smith; and, (2) Task Order No. CDM386-16 with CDM Smith, a three-year task order with an option to exercise a two-year extension for an annual amount not to exceed \$356,845, totaling \$1,070,535 over the three-year period, for FY 2021-22 through FY 2023-24 to oversee and implement the Santa Ana River Regional Bacteria Monitoring Program.

Result:	Adopted by Roll Call Vote (Passed)
Motion/Second:	Dennstedt/Harrison
Ayes:	Dennstedt, Harrison, Slawson
Nays:	None
Abstentions:	Rowe
Absent:	None

Commissioner Rowe resumed participation in the meeting at the conclusion of voting on Agenda Item No. 7.B.

8. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS-

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

A. CASH TRANSACTIONS REPORT – OCTOBER 2020

B. INTER-FUND BORROWING – OCTOBER 2020 (CM#2020.80)

C. PERFORMANCE INDICATORS/FINANCIAL REPORTING – OCTOBER 2020 (CM#2020.81)

D. GENERAL MANAGER REPORT

Rich Haller provided a brief verbal report on the Brine Line, Reach V.

E. STATE LEGISLATIVE REPORT

F. CHAIR’S COMMENTS/REPORT

There were no comments/reports from the Chair.

G. COMMISSIONERS’ COMMENTS

There were no comments Commissioner comments.

H. COMMISSIONERS’ REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no Commissioner requests for future agenda items.

9. CLOSED SESSION

Chair Slawson recessed the meeting to Closed Session at 10:49 a.m. Rich Haller and Kelly Berry were present during the discussion of Agenda Item No. 9.B. Andrew D. Turner, Lagerlof, LLP and Gary Phillips, Bob Murray & Associates participated in Agenda Item No. 9.A.; no staff was present during the discussion of Agenda Item No. 9.A.

A. PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957 – PERSONNEL MATTERS

Title: General Manager

B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(d)(2)

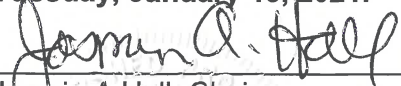
Name of Party: Larry McKenney

The Commission received verbal reports, only, and as such there was no reportable action.

10. ADJOURNMENT

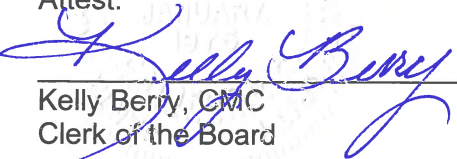
The meeting was adjourned directly at the conclusion of Closed Session at 12:31 p.m.

Approved at a Regular Meeting of the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority Commission on Tuesday, January 19, 2021.



Jasmin A Hall, Chair

Attest:



Kelly Berry, CMC
Clerk of the Board