

# SAWPA COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES FEBRUARY 16, 2021

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT** Jasmin A. Hall, Chair, Inland Empire Utilities Agency

Kelly E. Rowe, Vice Chair, Orange County Water District

Brenda Dennstedt, Secretary-Treasurer, Western Municipal Water

District

David J. Slawson, Eastern Municipal Water District

June D. Hayes, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District

**COMMISSIONERS ABSENT** None

ALTERNATE COMMISSIONERS T. Milford Harrison, Alternate, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water

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Mike Gardner, Alternate, Western Municipal Water District

STAFF PRESENT Jeff Mosher, Karen Williams, Mark Norton, Dean Unger, David Ruhl,

Carlos Quintero, Rick Whetsel, Kelly Berry

OTHERS PRESENT Andrew D. Turner, Lagerlof, LLP; Rich Haller; Bruce Whitaker,

OCWD Board Member; Joshua Calhoun, Teaman, Ramirez & Smith,

Inc.

The Regular Meeting of the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority Commission was called to order at 9:32 a.m. by Chair Hall 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

PRESENT; NON-VOTING

Pursuant to the provisions of Executive Order N-29-20, this meeting was conducted virtually. Incoming SAWPA General Manager Jeff Mosher was welcomed; Mosher thanked Rich Haller and Karen Williams for meeting with him over the past few weeks so he could hit the ground running.

## 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. CONSENT CALENDAR

#### A. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: FEBRUARY 2, 2021

Recommendation: Approve as posted.

MOVED, approve the Consent Calendar.

Result:

Adopted by Roll Call Vote (Unanimously)

Motion/Second:

Dennstedt/Rowe

Ayes:

Dennstedt, Hall, Hayes, Rowe, Slawson

Nays:

None

Abstentions:

None

Absent:

None

# 6. **NEW BUSINESS**

### A. AUDIT SERVICES CONTRACT EXTENSION (CM#2021.13)

Karen Williams provided a brief report; Joshua Calhoun attended the meeting and was available for questions from the Commission. Secretary-Treasurer Dennstedt suggested amending staff's recommendation to extend the current contract for an additional one (1) year providing Jeff Mosher an opportunity to scrutinize the firm's performance during this upcoming audit cycle. If the firm performs to his satisfaction, then the contract extension for an additional one (1) year could be brought back to the Commission for consideration at a future date. Commissioner Hayes moved staff's recommendation as amended.

**MOVED,** authorize the issuance of a Task Order with Teaman, Ramirez & Smith, Inc. for audit services and extend the current contract for an additional one (1) year.

Result:

Adopted by Roll Call Vote (Unanimously)

Motion/Second:

Hayes/Dennstedt

Aves:

Dennstedt, Hall, Haves, Rowe, Slawson

Nays: Abstentions: None None

Absent:

None

#### 7. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS-

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

- A. <u>CASH TRANSACTIONS REPORT DECEMBER 2020</u>
- B. INTER-FUND BORROWING DECEMBER 2020 (CM#2021.11)
- C. <u>PERFORMANCE INDICATORS/FINANCIAL REPORTING DECEMBER 2020</u> (CM#2021.12)
- D. PROJECT AGREEMENT 25 OWOW FUND FINANCIAL REPORT, NOVEMBER 2020
- E. PROJECT AGREEMENT 26 ROUNDTABLE FUND FINANCIAL REPORT, NOVEMBER 2020
- F. SANTA ANA WATERSHED PROJECT AUTHORITY (SAWPA) | COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE STRUCTURE (CM#2021.14)
- G. COMMISSIONER COMPENSATION POLICY OVERVIEW (CM#2021.15)
- H. GENERAL MANAGER REPORT
- I. STATE LEGISLATIVE REPORT
- J. CHAIR'S COMMENTS/REPORT

There were no comments/reports from the Chair.

K. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

There were no Commissioner comments.

L. COMMISSIONERS' REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no Commissioner requests for future agenda items.

# 8. CLOSED SESSION

Chair Hall recessed the meeting to Closed Session at 9:41 a.m.

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

Name of Case: Southern California Edison Company vs. The Blue-Sky Institute, LLC (Riverside County Superior Court Case No. CVRI 2100168)

Chair Hall resumed Open Session at 10:13 a.m. Legal Counsel Andy Turner announced item 8.A. was discussed during Closed Session; staff and legal counsel received direction from the Commission and no reportable action was taken.

# 9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for review, Chair Hall adjourned the meeting at 10:14 a.m.

Approved at a Regular Meeting of the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority Commission on Tuesday, March 2, 2021

Jasmin A. Hall, Chair

Kelly Berry, MC, Clerk of the Board