

Approved October 10, 2018

**EAST VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

September 12, 2018

MINUTES

The Chairman of the Board called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Director Morales led the flag salute.

PRESENT: Directors: Carrillo, Coats, Goodrich, Morales, Smith

ABSENT: Director: None

STAFF: Brian Tompkins, Chief Financial Officer; Jeff Noelte, Director of Engineering and Operations; Kelly Malloy, Director of Strategic Services; Justine Hendricksen, District Clerk; Shayla Gerber, Senior Administrative Assistant

LEGAL COUNSEL: Marty Cihigoyenetché

GUEST(s): Members of the public

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairman Carrillo declared the public participation section of the meeting open at 5:30 p.m.

Mr. Fred Yauger complimented staff on the Conservation Workshop held over the weekend.

There being no further written or verbal comments, the public participation section was closed at 5:32 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

M/S/C (Coats-Smith) that the September 12, 2018 agenda be approved as submitted.

APPROVE THE JULY 27, 2018 REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

M/S/C (Smith-Coats) that the Board approve the July 27, 2018 regular board meeting minutes as submitted.

APPROVE THE AUGUST 8, 2018 REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

M/S/C (Smith-Coats) that the Board approve the August 8, 2018 regular board meeting minutes as submitted.

DISBURSEMENTS

M/S/C (Smith-Coats) that the General Fund Disbursements #252692 through #252906 which were distributed during the period of June 1, 2018 through June 30, 2018, bank drafts, and ACH Payments in the amount of \$3,014,716.03 and \$340,660.76 for payroll and benefit contributions, totaling \$3,355,376.79 be approved.

ADOPT RESOLUTION 2018.14 - ADOPTING A CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE

M/S/C (Smith-Coats) that the Board adopt Resolution 2018.14.

DIRECTORS' FEES AND EXPENSES FOR AUGUST 2018

M/S/C (Smith-Coats) that the Board approve the Directors' fees and expenses for August 2018 as submitted.

UPDATE ON THE ACQUISITION OF NORTH FORK SHARES

The General Manager/CEO provided an update on the District's acquisition of North Fork Water Company shares; he stated that the District recently acquired approximately 100 shares and is in current negotiations for additional shares; and if the District acquires the additional shares it would own over 90% of the North Fork Water Company. He stated that the company would convene a meeting by the end of the year with remaining shareholders to discuss their options.

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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

The Director of Strategic Services stated that the District has remained active in the current legislative session and has focused on two key legislative bills dealing with the water tax and service disconnection limitations. She stated that the water tax bill would adversely affect the District, and through lobbying efforts, the bill did not make it to the floor for a formal vote. She stated that the second bill, SB 998, would limit the District's ability to disconnect service for delinquent accounts. She stated that a new legislative session will begin in January and will provide updates when applicable.

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BOARD MEETING CANCELLATIONS

The General Manager/CEO requested that the September 26, 2018 and November 28, 2018 regular board meetings be canceled due to a quorum of the Board and staff attending the California Special Districts Association Annual Conference September 24-27, and the Association of California Water Agencies Fall Conference November 27-30.

M/S/C (Coats-Goodrich) that the Board approve the cancellation of the September 26, 2018 and the November 28, 2018 regular board meetings.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REPORTS

Director Goodrich reported on the following: August 29 he attended the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) protest hearing for approval of the Sterling Natural Resource Center (SNRC); and on September 11 he participated in a telephone conference with the General Manager/CEO for an update on District business.

Director Coats reported on the following: September 4 he attended San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District Board meeting; and on September 10 he attended the joint meeting of San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District Board and San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District Board.

Director Morales reported on the following: August 29 he attended the LAFCO protest hearing for approval of the Sterling Natural Resource Center; on August 31 he participated in an Association of California Water Agencies Region 9 conference call where they discussed upcoming regional events; on September 4 he attended the San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District Board meeting where they discussed the contract agreement and principal for the California WaterFix; and September 11 he attended the San Bernardino Board of Water Commissioners meeting where he received an update on the wash plan.

Vice Chairman Smith reported on the following: September 6 he met with the General Manager/CEO to review the agenda; and on September 10 he attended the joint meeting of San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District Board and San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District Board.

Chairman Carrillo reported on the following: August 28 he attended the Highland City Council meeting; and on September 6 he met with the General Manager/CEO to review the agenda and attended the Building Industry Association (BIA) Elected Officials Reception on behalf of the District.

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GENERAL MANAGER/CEO REPORT

The General Manager/CEO reported the following: he thanked the Director of Strategic Services for her efforts and assistance getting sewer treatment authority through LAFCO for the SNRC; the District received the Transparency Certificate of Excellence Award through the Special District Leadership Foundation and will be accepting the award at the CSDA conference on September 26; the Employee Events Association distributed over 150 backpacks to Hunt Elementary School on August 28; and the District hosted a California Friendly Landscape Workshop on September 8 and the event was a huge success with over 120 people attending.

The General Manager/CEO informed the Board of upcoming meetings and events:

- September 17 the District will be hosting the Association of San Bernardino County Special Districts monthly meeting
- September 19 at 5:30 p.m. a special meeting will be held to approve the Sterling Natural Resource Center's Guaranteed Maximum Price
- September 20 at 9:00 a.m. the District will be holding a ribbon cutting ceremony for the Hydro Generation Project at Plant 134
- September 21 at 1:30 p.m. - Legislative and Public Outreach Committee meeting
- September 24 at 2:30 p.m. - Engineering & Operations Committee meeting
- October 20 at 10 a.m. - Sterling Natural Resource Center Groundbreaking Ceremony

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LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT

No report at this time.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' COMMENTS

Director Coats congratulated the District for receiving the Transparency Certificate of Excellence Award and made the following statement: "Help ensure your water future by supporting the Sterling Natural Resource Center".

Director Morales stated that the donation of soccer balls to Hunt Elementary School students is an amazing contribution; he stated that October 26 is the deadline to register for the ACWA Region 9 Colorado River event; and he congratulated the District for receiving the transparency award.

Chairman Carrillo commended the District on its many accomplishments and stated that he is proud to be a part of the organization.

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ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 6:18 p.m.



John Mura, Secretary



Chris Carrillo, Board President