# MINUTES OF THE WORKSHOP BOARD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT OF ORANGE COUNTY (MWDOC) WITH THE MWDOC MET DIRECTORS

November 1, 2017

At 8:30 a.m. President Osborne called to order the Workshop Board Meeting of the Board of Directors of Municipal Water District of Orange County (MWDOC) at the District facilities located in Fountain Valley. MWDOC MET Director Larry McKenney led the Pledge of Allegiance and Secretary Goldsby called the roll.

#### MWDOC DIRECTORS

Brett R. Barbre\*
Larry Dick\* (absent)
Joan Finnegan
Wayne Osborne
Megan Yoo Schneider
Sat Tamaribuchi
Jeffery M. Thomas

#### **MWDOC STAFF**

Robert Hunter, General Manager
Karl Seckel, Assistant General Manager
Joe Byrne, Legal Counsel
Maribeth Goldsby. Board Secretary
Harvey De La Torre, Associate General Mgr.
Melissa Baum-Haley, Sr. Water Resource Analyst
Kevin Hostert, Water Resources Analyst
Charles Busslinger, Principal Engineer
Damon Micalizzi, Dir. Of Public Affairs

#### OTHER MWDOC MET DIRECTORS

Larry McKenney Linda Ackerman

#### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Brandon Goshi
Fred Adjarian
Mark Monin
Doug Reinhart
Steve LaMar
Paul Weghorst
Jim Atkinson
Don Froelich
John Kennedy
Adam Hutchinson
Dennis Erdman
Andy Brunhart
Brooke Jones
Al Nederhood
Ed Means

Liz Mendelson-Goossens Stephanie Pacheco Metropolitan Water District of Southern Cal.

El Toro Water District El Toro Water District Irvine Ranch Water District Irvine Ranch Water District Irvine Ranch Water District

Mesa Water

Moulton Niguel Water District Orange County Water District Orange County Water District South Coast Water District South Coast Water District Yorba Linda Water District Yorba Linda Water District

Means Consulting

San Diego County Water Authority

<sup>\*</sup>Also MWDOC MET Directors

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**ITEMS RECEIVED TOO LATE TO BE AGENDIZED -** Determine need and take action to agendize item(s), which arose subsequent to the posting of the Agenda. (ROLL CALL VOTE: Adoption of this recommendation requires a two-thirds vote of the Board members present or, if less than two-thirds of the Board members are present, a unanimous vote.)

No items were presented.

#### ITEMS DISTRIBUTED TO THE BOARD LESS THAN 72 HOURS PRIOR TO MEETING

President Osborne inquired as to whether there were any items distributed to the Board less than 72 hours prior to the meeting.

It was noted that a copy of the presentation materials was distributed to the Board and made available to the public.

#### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION/PUBLIC COMMENTS

President Osborne inquired whether any members of the public wished to comment on agenda items.

No comments were received.

#### PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS

## INPUT OR QUESTIONS ON MET ISSUES FROM THE MEMBER AGENCIES/MET DIRECTOR REPORTS REGARDING MET COMMITTEE PARTICIPATION

Director Ackerman noted that the main topic at MET continues to be the CA WaterFix (Fix) and that the MET Board received a presentation on the EcoRestore portion of the Fix. She provided an overview of the Fix, the contractors, and availability of Article 21 water.

Director Barbre highlighted the Finance & Insurance Committee activities noting that the two-year budget process will begin in January, MET's OPEB and CalPERS liability will be discussed in December, and that MET is in the process of paying off its line of credit with the funds that were set aside for the MET/SDCWA litigation. He also noted that most of the State Water Contractors have expressed support for the WaterFix (twin tunnels) and that the recently introduced single tunnel option is not viable and will most likely "kill" the WaterFix.

Director McKenney provided an update on the Water Supply Demand Management (WSDM) Plan, and the water supply status.

Mr. Steve LaMar (Irvine Ranch Water District) commended the MWDOC MET Directors for their efforts relating to the support for the WaterFix.

Discussion ensued regarding the California WaterFix, the need for public outreach on the importance of the Water Fix, and the current relationship MET has with the SDCWA.

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# PRESENTATION BY BRANDON GOSHI OF METROPOLITAN REGARDING THE CENTRAL VALLEY PROJECT

Mr. Brandon Goshi presented an overview and history of the Central Valley Project (CVP), noting it is the largest single water project in California, it is operated by the Bureau of Reclamation for water supply, flood control, water quality improvement, power generation, and recreation; and that it is the largest generator of electrical power in California. His presentation included information on the history of the CVP, an overview of the facilities, water supply and contracts, and cost allocations.

A question/answer period followed the presentation with specific emphasis on cost allocations, who benefits from the project, and comparisons (cost) to the California WaterFix.

The Board thanked Mr. Goshi for his presentation and received and filed his report.

## DISCUSSION OF ACTIVITIES RELATIVE TO THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY AND A REQUEST TO AGENDIZE A RESOLUTION

President Osborne advised that at the last Workshop Board meeting, a discussion was held regarding the MET/SDCWA litigation and MWDOC's letter encouraging a more collaborative working relationship going forward. Director Barbre made several observations regarding the general process and requested the Board continue discussions and possibly adopt a Board resolution on the situation. It was noted that MET Chairman Record, along with his two Vice Chairs will be meeting with representatives from the SDCWA.

Discussion was held regarding this issue, and the Board generally concurred to take no action at this time.

#### MWD ITEMS CRITICAL TO ORANGE COUNTY

- a. MET's Water Supply Conditions
- b. MET's Finance and Rate Issues
- c. Colorado River Issues
- d. Bay Delta/State Water Project Issues
- e. MET's Ocean Desalination Policy and Potential Participation by MET in the Doheny Desalination Project
- f. Orange County Reliability Projects
- g. East Orange County Feeder No. 2
- h. South County Projects

The Board received and filed the information as presented.

### METROPOLITAN (MET) BOARD AND COMMITTEE AGENDA DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a. Summary regarding October MET Board Meetings
- b. Review Items of significance for the Upcoming MET Board and Committee Agendas

No new information was presented; the information was received and filed.

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## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 9:57 a.m.

Maribeth Goldsby Board Secretary