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

April 3, 2019

At 8:30 a.m. President Barbre 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. Director Dick led the Pledge of Allegiance and Secretary Goldsby called the roll.

## **MWDOC DIRECTORS**

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

#### **MWDOC STAFF**

Robert Hunter, General Manager Karl Seckel, Assistant General Manager Joe Byrne, Legal Counsel Maribeth Goldsby, Secretary Harvey De La Torre, Associate General Manager Chris Lingad, Water Resources Analyst Kevin Hostert, Water Resources Analyst Joe Berg, Dir. of Water Use Efficiency Charles Busslinger, Principal Engineer Damon Micalizzi, Director of Public Affairs Heather Baez, Gov. Affairs Manager

\*Also MWDOC MET Directors

### **OTHER MWDOC MET DIRECTORS**

Larry McKenney Linda Ackerman

### **OTHERS PRESENT**

Mark Monin Doug Reinhart Peer Swan Steve LaMar Jim Atkinson Don Froelich Kelly Rowe Dan Ferons Brooke Jones Scott Maloni Ed Means Adan Ortega Skylar Stephens 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 Santa Margarita Water District Yorba Linda Water District Poseidon Resources Means Consulting MET Director, City of Fullerton San Diego County Water Authority

# PUBLIC PARTICIPATION/PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

No public comments were received.

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

It was noted that the presentation materials were distributed to the Board and made available to the public.

## PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS

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

Director Dick highlighted the fact that MET would elect a new Board Secretary at the upcoming MET Board meeting.

President Barbre noted that MET hosted a Board Workshop (March 26) to summarize the WaterFix alternative capacities analyzed to date (9,000 cfs, 6,000 cfs, and 3,000 cfs) and provided the projected costs and benefits associated with these three alternative capacities.

# PRESENTATION REGARDING THE 2018 EVALUATION OF REGIONAL STORAGE PORTFOLIO OF METROPOLITAN'S EMERGENCY STORAGE OBJECTIVE

Mr. Brad Coffey of MET provided an overview of MET's evaluation of its Regional Storage Portfolio of Emergency Storage Objective. His presentation included information regarding MET's historic dry-year and emergency storage levels, whether 630 TAF is still the right planning level for emergency storage, and emergency storage criteria and recommended updates (issues considered included outage period, retail demand reduction, and local supply production). He then reviewed MET's emergency storage capacity (existing), noting that a spatial and system analysis is needed. Mr. Coffey noted that a white paper was issued on this subject, and that information will be presented to the MET Board in May 2019 (as an information item).

Considerable discussion ensued regarding updated presentation slides which show zones and how they are currently served and how these zones would be covered by other lines in the event of an emergency, the expectation of a reduction in local demand and how agencies would offset their deliveries (other sources), current storage levels and capacities of each reservoir, and fire suppression (and inverse condemnation) issues. Discussion was also held regarding emergency generators (and emergency rules for generators), the need to increase regional storage, and the importance of local supplies.

The Board received and filed the report as presented.

## **ACTION ITEM**

# REQUEST BY MWDOC MET DIRECTOR LINDA ACKERMAN TO SEEK THE POSITION OF MET BOARD SECRETARY

Upon MOTION by Director Dick, seconded by Director Thomas, and carried (4-0), the Board authorized MWDOC MET Director Linda Ackerman to seek the position of MET Board Secretary. Directors Barbre, Dick, Yoo Schneider, and Thomas voted in favor. Directors Fnnegan, Osborne, and Tamaribuchi were absent.

### WATER SUPPLY UPDATE

MWDOC Water Resources Analyst, Kevin Hostert, provided a presentation on the U.S. drought monitor, climate outlook, local precipitation statistics, northern California Accumulated precipitation, storage level data throughout the state, the State Water Project Table A allocations (currently at 70%), and MET estimated storage levels.

The Board received and filed the report as presented.

# CALIFORNIA WATERFIX ACTIVITIES UPDATE

No additional information was discussed; the Board received and filed the staff report.

### 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 March MET Board Meetings
- b. Review items of significance for the upcoming MET Board and Committee Agendas

Fullerton MET Director Adan Ortega highlighted an item on the MET Agenda (\$1.5 million website award) noting he had questions on this.

Director Dick noted he had concerns with the sale of 20 acres of land in Oxnard.

The Board received and filed the information.

### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Maribeth Goldsby Board Secretary