MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT OF ORANGE COUNTY December 16, 2020

At 8:30 a.m., President Tamaribuchi called to order the Regular Meeting of the Municipal Water District of Orange County, via the Zoom Webinar application (pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order due to the spread of the COVID-19 virus, the meeting was conducted via Zoom). Secretary Goldsby called the roll.

MWDOC DIRECTORS

Al Nederhood Larry Dick Bob McVicker Karl Seckel Sat Tamaribuchi Jeffery M. Thomas Megan Yoo Schneider

ALSO PRESENT

Linda Ackerman **Richard Bell** Kathryn Freshley Kay Havens Mark Monin Jose Vergara **Dennis Cafferty** Doug Reinhart Paul Weghorst Jim Atkinson Don Froelich Sherry Wanninger Kellv Rowe Mike Markus John Kennedy Chuck Gibson Saundra Jacobs Justin McCusker Dan Ferons Jim Leach **Robert Grantham**

STAFF

Robert Hunter, General Manager Harvey De La Torre, Assistant General Manager Joe Byrne, Legal Counsel Maribeth Goldsby, Board Secretary Melissa Baum-Haley, Prin. Water Resources Analyst Cathy Harris, Director of H.R. & Administration Damon Micalizzi, Director of Public Affairs Joe Berg, Director of Water Use Eff. Programs Chris Lingad, Associate Engineer Kevin Hostert, Water Resources Analyst Charles Busslinger, Principal Engineer Alex Heide, Water Resource Analyst Vicki Osborn, Director of Emergency Management Heather Baez, Government Affairs Manager

MWDOC/MET Director East Orange County Water District El Toro Water District Irvine Ranch Water District Irvine Ranch Water District Mesa Water Moulton Niguel Water District Moulton Niguel Water District **Orange County Water District Orange County Water District Orange County Water District** Santa Margarita Water District Santa Margarita Water District

- Greg Mills Dennis Erdman Rick Shintaku Brooke Jones Wayne Miller Brett Barbre Joan Finnegan Kristy Khachigian Yvette Stevenson Rodriguez Davis C.
- Serrano Water District South Coast Water District South Coast Water District Yorba Linda Water District Yorba Linda Water District Yorba Linda Water District Former MWDOC Director KK Consulting

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION/PUBLIC COMMENT

President Tamaribuchi announced members of the public wishing to comment on agenda items could do so after the item has been discussed by the Board and requested members of the public identify themselves when called on. Mr. Tamaribuchi asked whether there were any comments on other items which would be heard at this time.

No comments were received.

ITEMS RECEIVED TOO LATE TO BE AGENDIZED

No items were received.

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

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

No items were distributed.

RECOGNITION OF KARL W. SECKEL

Due to Karl Seckel's retirement as MWDOC's Assistant General Manager, President Tamaribuchi, the Board, and member agencies honored Director Seckel with commendations, resolutions, and gifts. Following the presentations, several attendees expressed well-wishes to Director Seckel in his new role as elected Director.

CONSENT CALENDAR

President Tamaribuchi stated all matters under the Consent Calendar would be approved by one MOTION unless a Director wished to consider an item separately.

Upon MOTION by Director Thomas, seconded by Director Seckel, and carried (7-0) the Board approved the following Consent Calendar items, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Directors Nederhood, Dick, McVicker, Seckel, Tamaribuchi, Thomas & Yoo Schneider
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

MINUTES

The following minutes were approved.

November 4, 2020 Workshop Board Meeting November 18, 2020 Regular Board Meeting

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS

The following Committee Meeting reports were received and filed as presented.

Planning & Operations Committee Meeting: November 2, 2020 Administration & Finance Committee Meeting: November 12, 2020 Public Affairs & Legislation Committee Meeting: November 16, 2020 Executive Committee Meeting: November 19, 2020

TREASURER'S REPORTS

The following items were ratified and approved as presented.

MWDOC Revenue/Cash Receipt Register as of November 30, 2020 MWDOC Disbursement Registers (November/December)

The following items were received and filed as presented.

MWDOC Summary of Cash and Investment and Portfolio Master Summary Report (Cash and Investment report) as of October 31, 2020

PARS Monthly Statement (OPEB Trust)

Water Use Efficiency Projects Cash Flow

FINANCIAL REPORT

The following items were received and filed as presented.

Combined Financial Statements and Budget Comparative for the period ending October 31, 2020

NOVEMBER 2020 ELECTION CERTIFICATES

The Board received and filed the Certificates of Election for Al Nederhood (Division 1), Robert McVicker (Division 3), Karl W. Seckel (Division 4), and Megan Yoo Schneider (Division 7), and the Certificate of Appointment In Lieu of Election for Jeffery M. Thomas (Division 6).

- END CONSENT CALENDAR -

ACTION CALENDAR

REORGANIZATION OF THE MWDOC BOARD OF DIRECTORS; ELECTION OF PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT

Upon MOTION by Director Dick, seconded by Director McVicker, and carried (7-0), the Board adopted RESOLUTION NO. 2103, electing Director Sat Tamaribuchi as President, and Director Megan Yoo Schneider as Vice President, each for one year terms. RESOLUTION NO. 2103 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES:Directors Nederhood, Dick, McVicker, Seckel, Tamaribuchi, Thomas & Yoo
SchneiderNOES:NoneABSENT:NoneABSTAIN:None

APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY, TREASURER(S), AND LEGAL COUNSEL

President Tamaribuchi announced that the proposal to appoint the District's Secretary, Treasurer(s), and Legal Counsel was before the Board for consideration.

Upon MOTION by Director McVicker, seconded by Director Seckel, and carried (7-0), the Board adopted RESOLUTION NO. 2104 appointing Maribeth Goldsby as Board Secretary, Hilary Chumpitazi as Treasurer, Robert Hunter as Deputy Treasurer, Jeff Stalvey as Alternate Deputy Treasurer, Lina Gunawan as Alternate Deputy Treasurer, and Best, Best & Krieger and Joe Byrne as Legal Counsel, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Directors Nederhood, Dick, McVicker, Seckel, Tamaribuchi, Thomas & Yoo Schneider
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

Responding to an inquiry by Director Nederhood General Manager Hunter advised that pursuant to the terms of the Administrative Code, the District issues an RFP for legal services every five years.

ALLEN MCCOLLOCH PIPELINE (AMP) CAPACITY FLOW WAIVERS - DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY TO THE GENERAL MANAGER

Upon MOTION by Director McVicker, seconded by Director Dick, and carried (7-0) the Board delegated the authority to the General Manager to make determinations concerning certain AMP capacity flow exceedance requests ('waivers') which meet conditions specifically indicated in the AMP Proceeds Agreement, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:Directors Nederhood, Dick, McVicker, Seckel, Tamaribuchi, Thomas & Yoo
SchneiderNOES:NoneABSENT:NoneABSTAIN:None

AGREEMENT FOR MWDOC'S WEB-BASED REBATE PLATFORM VENDOR

Upon MOTION by Director McVicker, seconded by Director Dick, and carried (7-0), the Board voted for Option 1 and authorized the General Manager to enter into a professional services agreement, renewable annually for up to five years, with Droplet Technologies to administer MWDOC's web-based rebate processing platform at a total cost not to exceed \$185,500 across all five-years (\$37,100/year), by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Directors Nederhood, Dick, McVicker, Seckel, Tamaribuchi, Thomas & Yoo Schneider
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

CONTINUATION OF MWDOC'S WATER LOSS CONTROL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Upon MOTION by Director McVicker, seconded by Director Yoo Schneider, and carried (7-0), the Board voted for Option 1, and (1) authorized the General Manager to enter into a professional services contract, to be renewed annually for up to five years, with Water Systems Optimization, Inc. (WSO) to: (a) as a MWDOC Core Program, continue providing support for the Orange County Water Loss Control Work Group and MWDOC Technical Support at an annual cost not to exceed \$55,00, and (b) as a MWDOC Choice Program election, provide technical assistance to member agencies for a variety of water loss control activities. Depending upon the number of agencies that participate, this contract amount could reach \$1.3 million based upon participation in the last five years of program implementation; and (2) authorized the General Manager to enter into Choice-based cost-sharing agreements with agencies wishing to access water loss technical assistance from WSO. This action was taken by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Directors Nederhood, Dick, McVicker, Seckel, Tamaribuchi, Thomas & Yoo Schneider
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

EXTENSION OF LOCAL ADVOCACY CONTRACT WITH LEWIS CONSULTING GROUP

Upon MOTION by Director McVicker, seconded by Director Dick, and carried (7-0), the Board voted for Option 1 and extended the local advocacy contract with Lewis and Associates for 2021, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Directors Nederhood, Dick, McVicker, Seckel, Tamaribuchi, Thomas & Yoo
	Schneider
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

AMENDMENTS TO ADMINISTRATIVE CODE REGARDING STANDING COMMITTEES

President Tamaribuchi outlined his proposal to eliminate the Public Affairs & Legislation Committee and to reassign those Committee responsibilities to the Planning & Operations Committee and the Workshop Board meeting to reduce the number of meetings per month. He advised that the state and federal legislative functions would be moved to the Workshop Board meeting (due to the high member agency attendance and participation), and the Public Affairs component and remaining legislative aspects would be moved to the Planning & Operations Committee.

Considerable discussion ensued, with Directors Dick and Yoo Schneider supportive of the change, Directors Nederhood and Thomas expressing some concern about the benefits of doing so, and the length of meetings, and Director Seckel noting that although he would support the changes on a trial basis, he urged some caution in doing so.

Upon MOTION by Director Dick, seconded by Director Yoo Schneider, and carried (5-2), the Board approved the Administrative Code amendments as proposed, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:	Directors Dick, McVicker, Seckel, Tamaribuchi, & Yoo Schneider
NOES:	Directors Nederhood and Thomas
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

INFORMATION CALENDAR

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT, DECEMBER 2020

General Manager Hunter welcomed Directors Seckel and Nederhood noting he looks forward to working with the Board in 2021.

Director Seckel suggested an update on the OC-70 issue be made at an upcoming meeting.

The Board received and filed the report as presented.

MWDOC GENERAL INFORMATION ITEMS

a. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board members each reported on their attendance at the regular (and special) MWDOC Board and Committee meetings. In addition to these meetings, the following reports were made on conferences and meetings attended on behalf of the District. Due to COVID 19, most of the meetings outlined were attended virtually (via the Zoom webinar application).

Director Nederhood advised that he attended all of the regularly scheduled MWDOC meetings (Planning & Operations, Administration & Finance, and Executive Committee meetings, as well as the Regular Board meeting), and the Yorba Linda Water District Board meeting.

Director Dick reported on attending all of the regularly scheduled MWDOC meetings (Planning & Operations, Administration & Finance, and Executive Committee meetings, as well as the Regular Board meeting), the regularly scheduled MET Board and Committee meetings, various structures meetings re MET, MET Executive Committee meeting, the Special MET Board meeting, the MET IRP meetings, a meeting regarding SARCCUP, the MET Committee Chair training, the MET Caucus, the WACO and WACO Planning meetings, a meeting with MWDOC's legislative advocate, the Garden Grove Chamber of Commerce Mayor's event, the OCBC "Red Tape" meeting, the South Orange County Economic Coalition, and the ISDOC Executive Committee meeting.

Director McVicker reported that he attended all of the regularly scheduled MWDOC meetings (Planning & Operations, Administration & Finance, Public Affairs & Legislation, and Executive Committee meetings, as well as the Regular Board meeting), the OCWA webinar, the OC Water Summit planning meeting, the IRWD Board meeting, the SCWD Board meeting, the ACWA virtual conference, the WACO and WACO Planning Committee meetings, the ACWA Water Quality Committee meeting, the MET Joint Board/Executive Committee, the regular MET Board and Committee meetings, and the MET IRP meeting.

Director Seckel advised that he attended all of the regularly scheduled MWDOC meetings (Planning & Operations, Administration & Finance, Public Affairs & Legislation, and Executive Committee meetings, as well as the Regular Board meeting), and several MET meetings including the Bay/Delta Planning & Stewardship Committee, MET Board meeting, and the MET IRP meeting.

Director Thomas stated that he attended all of the regularly scheduled MWDOC meetings (Planning & Operations, Administration & Finance, Public Affairs & Legislation, and Executive Committee meetings, as well as the Regular Board meeting), ACWA virtual conference, the MWDOC Oath of Office event, the OC Water Summit planning meeting(s), the SCWD Board meeting, and the WACO meeting.

Director Yoo Schneider advised that she attended all of the regularly scheduled MWDOC meetings (Planning & Operations, Administration & Finance, Public Affairs & Legislation, and Executive Committee meetings, as well as the Regular Board meeting), the SCWD Board meeting, a meeting with representatives from Laguna Beach County Water District, the MET General Manager's Town Hall event, the OC Water Summit planning meeting(s), a tour of the

SCWD Doheny Desalination site, the IRWD Board meeting, a meeting with a MNWD Board member, a meeting with the South Orange County water agencies, the WEF Public Communication & Outreach Committee, the WEF Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Leadership Committee, the MWDOC Oath of Office event, the San Diego Women in Water planning meeting, the National Science Foundation's Drinking Water Additives Task Force, the National Science Foundation Drinking Water System and Treatment Components joint committee, the California Water Energy Association meeting, the OC Women in Water event featuring Gloria Gray, the ACWA Water Quality Committee meeting, the SMWD Water Quality & Treatment Committee meeting, and the CWA Diversity, Equity & Inclusion meeting. Director Yoo Schneider also advised that she served as a guest lecturer at UC Riverside.

Director Tamaribuchi reported on attending the regularly scheduled MWDOC meetings (Planning & Operations, Administration & Finance, Public Affairs & Legislation, and Executive Committee meetings, as well as the Regular Board meeting), South Orange County Economic Coalition meeting, two MWDOC/MET Director meetings, the IRWD Board meeting, the meeting with the South Orange County water agencies, the ACWA virtual conference, the Inland Empire MET Caucus, the WACO meeting, and a meeting with MWDOC's legislative advocate.

b. REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS

No requests were made.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Respectfully submitted,

Maribeth Goldsby, Secretary