

# Report!



Board of Directors Summary for **October 18, 2006**

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## Work Session

WSM-01/06

Approve and Authorize the Addition to the Agenda Item No. II.B.1.: CFD 2005-02 Olive Avenue Sewer

### 1. Consider Adoption of Minute Order

#### I. General Manager's Report

(Pack)

#### Past Activities

- Executive staff held a meeting with Dusty Williams from the County Flood Control and Conservation District to discuss how we might better work together on flood control projects, conservation, and legislative matters.

#### Future Events

- The 215 Economic Development Summit will be held this Friday, October 20, in Riverside. The District purchased a table and several of the Directors, three staff members (from Community Involvement Department and New Business Department) will attend.
- The Bureau is hosting a Title XVI Workshop in San Francisco on Friday the 27<sup>th</sup>.
- We briefed the Board Administrative Committee on Monday on our recommendation to move ahead with a refunding of the 2001B Bonds early next year using a Synthetic Fixed Rate Swap, for NPV saving of approximately \$4.2 Million.

#### Items of Interest to the Board

- The District will receive the Theodore Roosevelt Environmental Award for Excellence at the ACWA Conference in December. We submitted the California Friendly Landscape Pilot Program.
- The State Water Resources Control Board increased our grant for the Temecula Valley Recycled Water Pipeline by \$29,235 based on some change orders we submitted. We will have an article in the next billing on our Grant/Loan program success.
- The City of Perris is asking for \$6,000 in fees and a 15-page application to locate the two temporary modular buildings in our parking lot. I have a call in to the City Manager.

- The County Economic Development Agency has made a proposal for the Big League Dreams complex. We just received it yesterday and will be evaluating the proposal and bringing it back to the Board for consideration. I have distributed a preliminary term sheet.

### Operational Highlights

- The San Diego Regional Water Quality Control Board (SDRWQCB) approved our Waste Discharge Permit for Temecula to 18 MGD dry weather and 19.8 MGD during wet weather.
- Our desalter O&M costs have now dropped to \$566 AF which is comparable to the MWD Tier 2 costs.
- A contractor hit the SARI line in Lake Elsinore yesterday and the line will be out of service for a week. We are participating in the clean up and HexFet has been notified.
- The Graphs on the Monthly Water Supply Update are available to the public upon request

### Upcoming Meetings

Rosemarie will cover any additional meetings as part of her report.

### Organizational and Administrative Changes

- I authorized the hiring of an account technician for payroll. The District workforce has increased by 6 percent in the last year alone and we only have one person doing payroll. The District Staffing Status Report is included in today's reports.

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A. Recap of Board Committee Meetings

**Deferred**

1. Operations & Engineering (*October 16*)

**Deferred**

2. Administrative (*October 16*)

B. Items of Information

**II. Discussions and/or Comments by Board Members**

**(Pack)**

A. Directors' Activity Report

1. Southern Coalition Meeting (*October 6*)

**(Record)**



LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT  
MWD BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS  
OCTOBER 9 & 10, 2006

The Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD) held its monthly Board and committee meetings on October 9 and 10, 2006. At these meetings, the MWD Directors:

- Granted conditional approval for the 94<sup>th</sup>, 96<sup>th</sup>, and 97<sup>th</sup> Fringe Area Annexations to Eastern Municipal Water District and MWD and adopted a resolution of intention to impose a water standby charge.
- Approved the Semiannual Award of Community Partnering Program Sponsorships for 2006/07. The Community Partnering Program (CPP) is Metropolitan's program for funding educational and community action projects and events that directly relate to Metropolitan's goals. The projects receiving sponsorship must meet minimum criteria and help Metropolitan promote water reliability, efficiency, quality, and partnership objectives; communicate Metropolitan's key message priorities; create community goodwill and grassroots support, while implementing Metropolitan's social responsibility to communities throughout the service area. There were 21 applicants and they all received funding.
- Authorized final design, right-of-way acquisition, and a procurement contract with Northwest Pipe Company for the Perris Valley Pipeline Program.
- Adopted a resolution to approve notice of potential discontinuance of interim agricultural service of surplus water from October 1, 2007 through September 30, 2008. Through the Interim Agricultural Water Program, Met offers lower water rates for agricultural users. Under this Program, agricultural users are on notice that Metropolitan may reduce deliveries to agricultural water users participating in the Program by up to 30 percent prior to any mandatory reduction to municipal and industrial users. Because almost one year has elapsed since the last notice was given, a new notice was adopted. The proposed notice of discontinuance of surplus water deliveries will apply only to those agricultural users participating in the Program.
- Heard an update on perchlorate and chromium VI. The state has a proposed perchlorate MCL of 6 ppb that should be finalized the end of 2007. There is no federal standard at this time. Perchlorate is entering the MWD system at a level of about 2 ppb, which is quite an improvement over the 8-10 ppb level that we saw in 1997.
- There is not a chromium VI MCL at this time, even though the state legislature mandated an MCL by January 2004. There is a large plume of chromium migrating toward, and some say is already under, the Colorado River at Topock. So far the chromium levels in the river are very low and there's no indication the plume has reached the river even though nearby monitoring wells are registering chromium levels up to 850 ppb within 60 feet of the river. PG&E has taken responsibility for the contamination and is treating the plume. There is still grave concern over the possibility of the chromium reaching the river and contaminating southern California's water supply. Met's staff is very involved with the situation.

- Heard a report on MWD’s energy management program. Met will analyze their carbon footprint, determine where they can reduce their footprint, and establish goals for reduction. Also discussed was Met’s existing energy management efforts, energy efforts underway, and energy efforts under consideration. The Energy Management Plan will be developed in coordination with member agencies.
- Heard a state and federal legislative update. The MWD Washington DC office is now expected to open in late October or early November.
- Heard that 15 projects selected under Metropolitan’s new Enhanced Conservation Program will receive about \$1.3 million of conservation credits incentives for savings of approximately 8,500 acre-feet of water. The overall cost for these projects is about \$150 per acre-foot. EMWD was selected to receive \$18,500 for its California Friendly Communities: Landscape Incentive Program for New Communities. EMWD’s program is estimated to save 74.3 acre-feet of water
- Heard staff’s recommendation on a proposed action plan regarding review of Metropolitan’s water supply and delivery capability. The Board asked staff to provide presentations and written documents to the Water Planning, Quality and Resources Committee on Met’s water supply and delivery capability, challenges and risks, and associated policies that support development and management of Metropolitan’s water resources. The purpose of the presentations are to ensure that the Board understands, in detail, Met’s supplies and delivery capabilities especially during times of shortage. The discussion was focused on identifying the key water supply planning processes and a proposed approach for how the Committee would review and discuss Metropolitan’s capabilities and policies over the coming months. The decision was made to start the presentations in November and have them every month until all the topics are covered.
- Heard a report on the settlement agreement between Friant Water Users Authority and the Natural Resources Defense Council regarding San Joaquin River water management. The settlement includes two parallel goals: (1) a restored San Joaquin River with continuous flows to the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta and naturally reproducing populations of Chinook salmon; and (2) a water management goal designed to minimize water supply impacts to Friant water users. The settlement will only come into effect once supporting federal legislation becomes law.
- Elected Tim Brick from the City of Pasadena as the MWD Board Chairman for a two-year term effective January 1, 2007.

## Board Meeting

### I. Recognitions

(Record, C.I.)

M-325/06

- A. Employee of the Quarter – Pamela Moore  
1. **Consider Adoption of Minute Order**

None

- B. Service Awards  
C. Academic Achievement Awards

**Paula Allen, Robert Allen, Debra Deremiah and Carrie Lawler – Bachelor of Science Degrees**

**II. Discussions and/or Comments by Board Members**

**III. Approval of Minutes**

*M-326/06*

- A. Regular Meeting of October 4, 2006  
1. **Consider Adoption of Minute Order**

**IV. Board Committee Reports**

**(Receive & File)**

*Deferred*

- A. Operations & Engineering (*October 16*)

*Deferred*

- B. Administrative (*October 16*)

*None*

**V. Letters of Correspondence to the Board OF DIRECTORS**

**VI. Consent Calendar**

*M-327/06*

- A. Approve and Authorize Additional Capacity Reimbursement to KB Home for Sewer Pipeline Oversizing and Construction in Wickerd Road from Evans Road, 690 Linear Feet Easterly, and in Evans Road from Wickerd Road, 670 Linear Feet Northerly, to Serve Tract 30142

*M-328/06*

- B. Approve and Authorize Additional Capacity Reimbursement to Classic Pacific Ltd., for Waterline Oversizing in Goetz Road from a Point Approximately 560 Linear Feet North of Ethanac Road to the Northerly Tract Boundary, to Serve Tract 31926-1

*M-329/06*

- C. Approve and Authorize Additional Capacity Reimbursement to Osborne Development for Water Pipeline Oversizing and Reimbursable Frontage in Highway 74 from Green Avenue to Creag Avenue, and from Green Avenue, South of Penny Lane to Cortrite Avenue, to Serve Tract 30351

*M-330/06*

- D. Ratify the Settlement with American Guarantee and Liability Insurance Company for Specification 811S, Sanderson Lift Station Replacement

*M-331/06*

- E. Approve and Authorize an Engineering Services Agreement with Carollo Engineers for Design of the Perris Valley Regional Water Reclamation Facility (PVRWRF) Sludge Dewatering Expansion Project and Pre-Purchase of the Centrifuge and Various Equipment

*M-332/06*

- F. Approve and Authorize the Closure of Design-Build Phase Agreement with Black & Veatch and Initiate a New Agreement for the Remaining Design-Bid Phase of the Cactus Feeder and Pump Station

*M-333/06*

- G. Approve and Authorize an Amendment to the Agreement with Schiff Associates for the Nuevo Road Pipeline Corrosion Investigation

*M-334/06*

- H. Approve and Authorize an Amendment to the Agreement with Kaufman Consultation, for Inspection Services

*M-335/06*

- I. Approve and Authorize Additional Appropriation of Funds for the Washington Chlorine Generator System Installation and Electrical Upgrade

*M-336/06*

- J. Endorse the Service Plus! Quarterly Drawing Winners – Carol Darby, Mike Espejo, Crystal Nguyen, and Lance Stroik

**Annexations**

- K. Annexation of Parcel Nos. U-23-06-6 and U-24-06-6 to Improvement District Nos. U-23 and U-24 (Mark Harrison - APN 392-290-003)

**M-337/06**

1. **Consider Adoption of Minute Order**, Approving the Maps and Legal Descriptions for Parcel Nos. U-23-06-6 and U-24-06-6 and Order Such Maps and Legal Descriptions Filed With the Secretary; and

**R-4582, R-4583**

2. **Adopt Proposed Resolution Nos. 4582 and 4583**, Annexing Parcel Nos. U-23-06-6 and U-24-06-6 to Improvement District Nos. U-23 and U-24 of EMWD

**Receive & File**

- L. **Reports for the Month of September, 2006** **(Receive & File)**

1. Employee Reimbursement Reporting Specific Charges Greater Than \$100
2. District Staffing Status Report by Classification
3. EMWD Claims
4. Special Funding Districts Status Report
5. Water Supply Conditions
- \* 6. Change Orders to Specifications Issued
- \* 7. Treasurer's Report for the month of September, 2006
- \* 8. **Post Audit of Checks for the month of September, 2006**

**(End of Consent Calendar)**

**VII. Letters From the General Manager**

**M-338/06**

- A. Approve and Authorize Setting of Time and Place of Hearing to Consider the Adoption of a "Resolution of Necessity" to Acquire, by Eminent Domain Proceedings, Real Property for Facilities Construction Related to the Hemet/San Jacinto Integrated Recharge and Recovery Project

**VIII. Closed Session**

**Not discussed**

- A. Re: Camp Pendleton Four-Party Agreement Claim  
Government Code Section 54956.9  
Conference with Legal Counsel  
One Potential Litigation
- B. Re: Personnel  
Government Code Section 54957  
Annual Performance Evaluation of the General Manager  
***The Board met with the General Manager and determined that they are pleased with his performance and the District's continued progress.***

**Not discussed**

- C. Re: Assurance Co. of America vs. EMWD  
Government Code Section 54956.9  
Conference with Legal Counsel  
One Potential Litigation

***Not discussed***

- D. Re: EMWD vs. Huang/Lee RIC 416192  
Government Code Section 54956.9  
Conference with Legal Counsel  
One Potential Litigation

***Not discussed***

- E. Re: EMWD vs. American Guarantee  
Government Code Section 54956.9  
Conference with Legal Counsel  
One Potential Litigation

***Not discussed***

- F. Re: EMWD vs. Tajik  
Government Code Section 54956.9  
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One Potential Litigation

***M-339/06***

**ADJOURNMENT**

***Adjourned the meeting to Wednesday, November 1,  
2006, 9:00 a.m.***