



MINUTES
Board of Water Commissioners
El Estero Conference Room
520 E. Yanonali Street
Monday, December 13, 2010, at 3:00 p.m.

- COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: James Smith, Landon Neustadt, Bill Thomas
- COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Barry Keller, Russell Ruiz
- STAFF PRESENT: Rebecca Bjork, Water Resources Manager; Cathy Taylor, Water System Manager; Bill Ferguson, Water Resources Supervisor; Alison Jordan, Water Conservation Coordinator; Anne Van Belkom, Commission Secretary
- PUBLIC: Charles Hamilton, Carpinteria Valley Water District; Rick Sabbag, Flycatcher Marketing; Kate Rees, COMB & CCRD General Manager; Sheila Lodge, Planning Commission Liaison; Robin Meacher, Citizens Planning Association; Bob Niehaus and Ichiko Kido, RDN, Inc.; Steve Little.
1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 3:04 p.m.
 2. **CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:** It was requested to have Agenda Item # 10 immediately follow Agenda Item # 4 to accommodate Ms. Rees who needed to attend another meeting.
 3. **COMMENTS BY THE PUBLIC:** None.
 4. **MEETING MINUTES, DECEMBER 13, 2010:** MOTION (Thomas/Smith 3-0-0): to approve the minutes as submitted. Per Commissioner Thomas' request, the Water Commissioners will be given a copy of the actual memo that was sent to Council regarding the Ortega Well Treatment Plant property.
 5. **WATER CHEMISTRY ANALYSIS FOR THE CATER WATER TREATMENT PLANT:** Ms. Taylor described the contract with Water Quality & Treatment Solutions, Inc. The consultant will collect data for the Enhanced Coagulation Waiver Application, conduct comparison tests of various proposed water treatment chemicals, and allow for on-call technical services. MOTION (Thomas/Smith 3-0-0): to recommend that Council approve the contract for Water Chemistry Analysis for the Cater Water Treatment Plant.
 6. **WATER CONSERVATION PHONE SURVEY RESULTS:** Ms. Jordan introduced Rick Sabbag, President of Flycatcher Marketing, who gave a PowerPoint presentation describing the results of the Water Conservation Customer Phone Survey and presented a number of strategic recommendations for implementing the next stage of the Water Conservation Program.
 7. **SENATE BILL X7-7, 20X2020 WATER CONSERVATION TARGET:** Ms. Jordan discussed the requirements of Senate Bill x7-7 and its mandate to reduce the per capita urban water use by 20% by December 31, 2020. She also updated the Commission on the status of the development of the regulations that will implement the legislation.
 8. **LONG TERM WATER SUPPLY MANAGEMENT REPORT:** Mr. Ferguson presented a draft Water Supply Management strategy. The discussion included scenarios for providing water supplies during a five year or six year drought. Water Commissioners had a number of comments that staff will include in the final draft report. Staff also plans to continue to discuss this item with the Water Commission at future meetings.
 9. **DRAFT 2010 WATER SUPPLY MANAGEMENT REPORT:** Ms. Bjork presented the draft report to the Water Commission and asked for their comments. MOTION (Smith/Thomas 3-0-0): to recommend that Council approve the 2010 Water Supply Management Report (with the Water Commission comments incorporated) and to adopt the 2010 Water Supply Management Report.
 10. **CACHUMA OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE BOARD (COMB) AND CACHUMA CONSERVATION RELEASE BOARD (CCRB) REORGANIZATION.** Ms. Rees gave a brief history of CCRB and COMB and their relationship with ID #1. Until the water rights decision and the biological opinion are finalized, CCRB and COMB will continue to function as separate entities. However, fisheries activities that implement regulatory direction will be moved from

CCRB to COMB effective January 2011. CCRB will return to its original objective of representing the South Coast Cachuma Member Units Water rights in legal and regulatory proceedings. CCRB and ID#1 will have counsel but plan to have a joint legal advocacy agreement that allows for the parties to work cooperatively and share costs for consultant and administrative services.

11. WATER RESOURCES MANAGER'S REPORT: Ms. Bjork distributed and reviewed the Monthly Water Resources report on water production, rainfall, and wastewater influent. The Water Commission will be provided with a copy of the memo regarding the Ortega Well property that staff forwarded to Council. The Wastewater Collection contract will be split into two separate contracts. One will be for developing maintenance practices and database enhancements. The second contract will be for long range planning. Commissioner Smith has been reappointed to the Water Commission by Council at their last meeting.

12. DATE OF NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: It was confirmed that the next meeting was scheduled for Monday, January 10, 2010, at 3:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:33 p.m.