



MINUTES
Board of Water Commissioners
Water Resources Conference Room
619 Garden Street
Monday, May 9, 2011 at 3:00 p.m.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: James Smith, Barry Keller, Landon Neustadt, Russell Ruiz, Bill Thomas

STAFF PRESENT: Cathy Taylor, Water System Manager; Chris Toth, Wastewater System Manager, Bill Ferguson, Water Resources Supervisor; Barbara Shelton, Project Planner; Anne Van Belkom, Administrative Assistant

PUBLIC: Charles Hamilton, Carpinteria Valley Water District; Kate Rees, General Manager, COMB and CCRB; Ichiko Kido, RDN, Inc.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m.

2. **CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:** None

3. **COMMENTS BY THE PUBLIC:** None.

4. **MEETING MINUTES, APRIL 7 AND APRIL 11, 2011:**

April 7, 2011: MOTION (Ruiz/Thomas 4-0-1, with Keller abstaining): to approve the minutes as submitted.

April 11, 2011: MOTION (Ruiz/Smith 4-0-1, with Thomas abstaining): to approve the minutes as submitted.

5. **STATUS REPORT ON BID PROCESS FOR ADVANCED TREATMENT/OZONE PROJECT:** Ms. Taylor reported that nine bids were received, and the final selection is on hold due to bid protests. The Award of Contract is scheduled to come before Council on June 7, 2011.

6. **STATUS REPORT ON LITIGATION RELATED TO COLLECTION SYSTEM:** Mr. Toth reported that the City will be meeting with Channelkeeper, along with their legal counsel and technical experts. A meeting date has yet to be scheduled for this meeting. Council has approved two consultants, Brown & Caldwell and Akel Engineering, to provide support and assist staff with this issue.

7. **CACHUMA WATER RIGHTS HEARING – SECOND REVISED DRAFT EIR:** Ms. Rees provided background information and reported on the current status of the second revised draft EIR.

8. **CACHUMA CONSERVATION RELEASE BOARD – FISCAL YEAR 2012 BUDGET:** Ms. Rees reviewed the revised CCRB budget. Ms. Rees will be stepping down as the General Manager of COMB, but will remain as the General Manager of CCRB. MOTION (Ruiz/Keller 5-0-0): to recommend that Council ratify the CCRB Fiscal Year 2012 budget as adopted by CCRB.

9. **LONG TERM WATER SUPPLY PLAN:** Water Commissioners were given the opportunity to ask questions and make final comments regarding the LTWSP Water policies. The Water Commission had no additional recommendations.

10. **URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN – 2010 UPDATE:** Staff clarified sections of the draft plan for Commissioners and responded to their questions and comments. Commissioner Keller requested that the loss of dams be included as a potential catastrophic incident affecting available water supply. MOTION (Keller/Ruiz 5-0-0): to recommend that Council approve the Urban Water Management Plan with the proviso that it will be in compliance with State requirements and in conformance with the Long Term Water Supply Plan update. Commissioners were requested to email any additional comments to staff by the end of the week.

11. **WATER RESOURCES MANAGER'S REPORT:** Mr. Ferguson distributed and reviewed the monthly Water Resources report on water production, rainfall, and wastewater influent.
12. **CHANGE LOCATION OF REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE WATER COMMISSION TO WATER RESOURCES CONFERENCE ROOM, 619 GARDEN STREET, 3RD FLOOR.** The Water Commission approved the changed location for future meetings but requested that once each year the Water Commission holds meetings at Cater and at El Estero.
13. **DATE OF NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING:** It was confirmed that the next meeting was scheduled for Monday, June 13, 2010, at 3:00 p.m. at the same location. .

The meeting was adjourned at 5:22 p.m.

Approved: June 13, 2011