



**SAWPA COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 20, 2018**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Susan Lien Longville, Chair, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District
Ronald W. Sullivan, Vice Chair, Eastern Municipal Water District
Jasmin A. Hall, Secretary-Treasurer, Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Bruce Whitaker, Alternate, Orange County Water District
Thomas P. Evans, Western Municipal Water District

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT

Philip L. Anthony, Orange County Water District

**ALTERNATE COMMISSIONERS
PRESENT; NON-VOTING**

Kati Parker, Alternate, Inland Empire Utilities Agency
Gil Navarro, Alternate, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District

STAFF PRESENT

Rich Haller, Larry McKenney, Karen Williams, Mark Norton, Dean Unger, David Ruhl, Carlos Quintero, Regina Patterson, Kelly Berry

The Regular Commission Meeting of the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Chair Longville at the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority, 11615 Sterling Avenue, Riverside, California, only; the telephone conference as noticed was not connected.

1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. ROLL CALL

Roll call was duly noted and recorded by the Clerk of the Board.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

A. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: FEBRUARY 6, 2018

Recommendation: Approve as posted.

B. TREASURER'S REPORT: JANUARY 2018

Recommendation: Approve as posted.

C. REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) FOR AUDIT SERVICES (CM#2018.20)

Recommendation: Authorize the issuance of a Request for Proposals (RFP) for audit services commencing the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018.

D. QUITCLAIM OF EASEMENT – CORONA INDUSTRIAL PARK, LLC (CM#2018.25)

Recommendation: Authorize the General Manager to quitclaim an easement to Corona Industrial Park, LLC.

MOVED, postpone consideration of Agenda Item No. 4.A., approval of February 6, 2018 meeting minutes, until the February 20, 2018 Commission meeting to provide additional time for review; and approve the remaining items on the Consent Calendar.

Result: **Adopted (Unanimously)**
Motion/Second: Evans/Whitaker
Ayes: Evans, Hall, Longville, Sullivan, Whitaker
Nays: None
Abstentions: None
Absent: None

5. NEW BUSINESS

A. PROPOSITION 84 ROUND 2 IMPLEMENTATION GRANT AGREEMENT AMENDMENT (CM#2018.24)

David Ruhl provided a PowerPoint presentation outlining the Proposition 84 Round 2 Implementation Grant Agreement Amendment with proposed changes to project scope, budget and schedule. The proposed changes will result in a DWR amendment and modifications to the sub-agreements.

MOVED, execute an amendment to the Grant Agreement between SAWPA and the Department of Water Resources.

Result: **Adopted (Unanimously)**
Motion/Second: Hall/Sullivan
Ayes: Evans, Hall, Longville, Sullivan, Whitaker
Nays: None
Abstentions: None
Absent: None

B. POLICY PRINCIPLES FOR THE DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES INVOLVEMENT PROGRAM (CM#2018.26)

Mark Norton provided a PowerPoint presentation on Disadvantaged Communities Involvement (DCI) Program Policy Principles.

General Manager Haller clarified that pages 53-54 of the agenda packet contain the revised draft Policy Principles, and welcomed feedback and discussion from the Commission. The revised draft incorporates comments received from the Commissioners as well as the general managers. Pages 55-58 of the agenda packet contain a redlined version showing changes made to the draft Policy Principles provided for consideration at the February 6, 2018 Commission meeting. Haller noted there has been considerable discussion regarding the proposed City of Riverside MOU; specifically, investigating the possibility of including the HCP group as a party to the MOU. For background and informational purposes relative to the City of Riverside MOU, Chair Longville provided a memorandum from Heather Dyer, Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) Manager with SBVMWD, and requested it be provided to all Commissioners, Alternates and General Managers.

Commissioner Sullivan referenced the Critical Success Factors section of CM#2018.26, page 52 of the agenda packet, stating the language set forth for OWOW CSF#1 is not accurate. The Commission is the decision-making authority, not the OWOW Steering Committee.

Chair Longville noted it is important to keep in mind that DCI technical assistance is separate

from IRWM project selection and implementation. This technical assistance involvement program was in large part designed so disadvantaged communities would be involved in the discussion examining the challenges and opportunities, and it is a learning process to determine the best way to address those challenges and opportunities within those communities. Providing technical assistance does not mean a project will be brought forward for IRWM funding. It was foreseen that some technical assistance projects could take a number of years before a solution is determined and responsible parties move forward with project preparation, funding and implementation.

Commissioner Evans voiced support of the Policy Principles; they provide an ability to be inclusive, not exclusive. Commissioner Evans noted the strength of SAWPA is its ability to evolve. Working with others addressing a source of pollution in the river, a source of impediment to habitat restoration and issues associated with public safety is not inconsistent with SAWPA's mission. He expressed his desire to consider approval of the Policy Principles, and then have a separate discussion regarding parties we will work with in the future. Commissioner Sullivan concurred, and noted there is a difference in scope for housing authority funding, which is the emphasis of the City of Riverside MOU, and urged careful consideration and clear definition of scope.

Commissioner Sullivan requested clarification of the words "identified funding" contained in the fourth bullet of paragraph number 2, on page 54 of the agenda packet, which states "SAWPA's defined role and participation level, consistency with its core mission and support under identified funding." Mike Antos advised the language is specifically referring to the Disadvantaged Communities Involvement Program scope. In order to constrain these Policy Principles to the program, the Commission concurred that the language would be revised to read as follows: "SAWPA's defined role and participation level, consistency with its core mission and support under the Disadvantaged Communities Involvement Program Grant Agreement scope."

Mike Marcus, OCWD General Manager confirmed the general managers' support of the language before the Commission for consideration, and noted their desire to consider a suite of projects and not focus on only one project.

MOVED, approve the policy principles as set forth on pages 53 and 54 of the agenda packet that describe the implementation of the Disadvantaged Communities Involvement Program Grant Agreement scope, with the following revision to the fourth bullet of paragraph number 2: Replace "identified funding" with "the Disadvantaged Communities Involvement Program Grant Agreement scope."

Result:	Adopted (Unanimously)
Motion/Second:	Evans/Hall
Ayes:	Evans, Hall, Longville, Sullivan, Whitaker
Nays:	None
Abstentions:	None
Absent:	None

**C. BASIN MONITORING PROGRAM TASK FORCE – CONSULTANT SUPPORT
(CM#2018.22)**

Mark Norton provided a PowerPoint regarding additional consultant support from Geoscience to prepare the Santa Ana River Waste Load Allocation Model Update, including current work deliverables. Commissioner Sullivan requested a copy of the 2016-17 Triennial ambient groundwater quality update submitted to the Regional Board for which SAWPA is awaiting acceptance in March 2018. Staff recommended approval from the Commission of a change order allowing staff to work with Geoscience in preparing the Santa Ana River Waste Load Allocation Model Update.

MOVED, approve Change Order No. 1 to Task Order GEOS374-01 with Geoscience for the amount not to exceed \$23,966 to prepare the Santa Ana River Waste Load Allocation Model Update.

Result:	Adopted (Unanimously)
Motion/Second:	Hall/Evans
Ayes:	Evans, Hall, Longville, Sullivan, Whitaker
Nays:	None
Abstentions:	None
Absent:	None

**D. EMERGING CONSTITUENTS PROGRAM TASK FORCE PUBLIC OUTREACH
STATUS AND “TRUST THE TAP” TASK ORDER (CM#2018.23)**

Consultant Liselle DeGrave of DeGrave Communications provided a PowerPoint and status report about public outreach efforts for the Emerging Constituents Program Task Force, highlighting Facebook and Twitter account activities and articles posted to the YourSoCalTapWater.org blog. An article titled *Is Tap Water Safe?* was commended by the Inland Empire Chapter of the Public Relations Society of America. Another popular article, *Hidden in a Hill – Perris Hill Reservoir*, has sparked interest and driven higher traffic to the blog.

Mike Antos provided a PowerPoint presentation on the Disadvantaged Communities Involvement Grant Program “Trust the Tap” in support of the recommended task order. Antos noted that specific needs of communities represented within the areas would be targeted as more detailed data becomes available. Chair Longville recommended utilizing photographs in the materials taken by a local photographer.

MOVED, authorize new Task Order No. DEGR398-01 with DeGrave Communications to conduct the “Trust the Tap” program for an amount not to exceed \$78,434 under the Disadvantaged Communities Involvement Grant Program.

Result:	Adopted (Unanimously)
Motion/Second:	Evans/Hall
Ayes:	Evans, Hall, Longville, Sullivan, Whitaker
Nays:	None
Abstentions:	None
Absent:	None

E. ADOPTION OF CalPERS 457 DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN (CM#2018.21)

Rich Haller provided an oral report regarding adoption of the CalPERS 457 Deferred Compensation Plan (CalPERS 457). Haller noted the CalPERS 457 would simply be an additional option for SAWPA employees; it would not replace any plan currently offered. Costs would be fully funded by participating employees with no cost to SAWPA, other than nominal staff time.

MOVED, adopt Resolution No. 2018-2 approving adoption of the CalPERS Supplemental Income 457 Plan; and authorize the General Manager to execute and submit the following supporting documents to CalPERS:

1. Employer Adoption Agreement
2. New Employer Information Sheet
3. Employer Loan provision
4. Employer Election to offer Self-Managed Accounts.

Result:	Adopted (Unanimously)
Motion/Second:	Evans/Hall
Ayes:	Evans, Hall, Longville, Sullivan, Whitaker
Nays:	None
Abstentions:	None
Absent:	None

6. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

The following oral/written reports/updates were received and filed.

A. CASH TRANSACTIONS REPORT – DECEMBER 2017

B. INTER-FUND BORROWING – DECEMBER 2017 (CM#2018.18)

Commissioner Sullivan requested future reports include how much is left in the budget we are allowed to charge for administration for each one of the funds. Karen Williams noted future reports would include where we are to date, total spending for the grant, what remains to be spent, by what date it must be expended.

C. PERFORMANCE INDICATORS/FINANCIAL REPORTING – DECEMBER 2017 (CM#2018.19)

D. LESJWA WATER SUMMIT 2018

Commissioners were invited to attend the summit which will be held April 18, 2018, at Lake Elsinore Stadium, Diamond Club. It is a compensable event.

E. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

F. SAWPA GENERAL MANAGERS MEETING NOTES – FEBRUARY 13, 2018

G. STATE LEGISLATIVE REPORT

H. CHAIR'S COMMENTS/REPORT

An invitation was extended to the February 22 East Branch Extension II grand opening.

I. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

There were no Commissioners' comments.

J. COMMISSIONERS' REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no additional requests for future agenda items.

7. CLOSED SESSION

Chair Longville recessed the meeting to Closed Session at 10:43 a.m. There was no discussion on Agenda Item No. 7.A. General Manager Richard Haller was present during discussion of Agenda Item No. 7.B.

A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(d)(1)

Name of Case: Spiniello Companies v. Charles King Company, Inc., Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority, The Ohio Casualty Insurance Company (Superior Court of Los Angeles BC616589)

B. PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957.6 - CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR

SAWPA Designated Representative: General Manager Richard E. Haller
Non-Represented Employees: All SAWPA employees

Chair Longville resumed Open Session at 10:48 a.m. There was no reportable action.

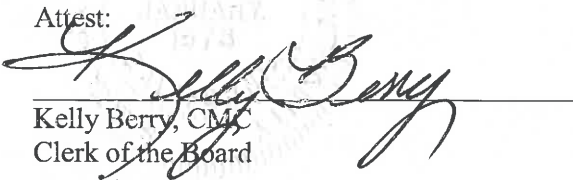
8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for review, Chair Longville adjourned the meeting at 10:49 a.m.

Approved at a Regular Meeting of the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority Commission on Tuesday, March 6, 2018.


Susan Lien Longville, Chair

Attest:


Kelly Berry, CMC
Clerk of the Board