# MINUTES BOARD OF DIRECTORS SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT REGULAR BOARD MEETING 1402 N. VOSBURG DR. AZUSA, CA 91702 MONDAY, NOVEMBER 04, 2024 8:00 A.M.

At 8:00 a.m. on November 04, 2024, the Board of Directors meeting was held in person at the District office, located at 1402 North Vosburg Drive, Azusa, California. While the Boardroom was open for public attendance, the District strongly encouraged attendees wanting to attend the meeting to participate in the meeting virtually through the remote Zoom link provided below. Attendees in person were asked to please maintain appropriate social distancing to the extent feasible (i.e., maintain a sixfoot distance between yourself and other individuals). Face coverings were encouraged but not required for attendees.

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### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

# **CALL TO ORDER:**

President Paulson called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

# **ROLL CALL:**

Directors present at Roll Call: Eng, Knoles, Paulson, Placido, Prince (arrived at 8:06 a.m.)

## **ALSO PRESENT:**

Darin Kasamoto, General Manager; Steve Kiggins, Assistant General Manager; Linda Esquivel, Executive Assistant; Evelyn Reyes, External Affairs Manager and Albert Lu, SGVMWD; Jim Ciampa, Lagerlof LLP: Russ Bryden, Main San Gabriel Basin Watermaster.

Via telephone/Zoom: Shawn Igoe, City of Monterey Park; Melissa Barbosa, City of Azusa.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS**

None.

## **UPDATES FROM THE CITY REPRESENTATIVES**

None.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR:**

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of October 14, 2024

Financial Statements for October 2024

Treasurer's Investment Report Dated September 30, 2024

Disbursements of the Revolving Fund Dated:

October 17, 2024, Check Nos. 12592 - 12595, EFT, and Wires in the amount of \$67,738.90

October 31, 2024, Check Nos. 12596 - 12599, EFT's, and Wires in the amount of \$72,964.95

October 31, 2024, Check Nos. 12600 - 12603, and Wires in the amount of \$3,017.40

Disbursements of the General Fund Dated:

October 15 - 28, 2024, Check Nos. 44801 - 44819 and EFTs in the amount of \$749,395.65

November 02 - 04, 2024, Check Nos. 44820 - 44845, in the amount of \$105,003.09

Future Meeting Attendance Approval: None

On the motion of Director Placido, seconded by Director Knoles, and unanimously carried 4 - 0, the Consent Calendar was approved.

Director Prince arrived.

### **ACTION AGENDA ITEM**

## **REVIEW OF DISTRICT REVENUE SOURCES**

The Assistant General Manager presented a PowerPoint report on the District's revenue sources and how they are used within the District's annual budget.

# **GRANT REQUESTS FROM THE CITIES OF MONTEREY PARK AND SIERRA MADRE**

The General Manager reported that the Board adopted a new policy for grants to the four cities earlier this year. The new policy calls for the cities to make formal requests for the grants, which are then brought to the Board for approval. The District recently received grant requests from the City of Monterey Park and City of Sierra Madre for \$50,000.00 each.

On motion of Director Prince, seconded by Director Placido, and unanimously carried 5-0, the grant requests from the City of Monterey Park and City of Sierra Madre were approved.

### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

### **EXTERNAL AFFAIRS**

External Affairs Report in Agenda Packet.

Ms. Reyes reported that the District recently partnered with Reach Media, based in Alhambra, to assist with creating social media reels. The goal is to educate people on the sources of water the District procures for the San Gabriel Valley.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### REPORT ON BASIN MANAGEMENT

Mr. Bryden credited the General Manager and Assistant Manager for working with the Main San Gabriel Basin Watermaster on coordinating the delivery of imported water.

# **REPORT OF WQA**

No Report

# REPORT OF THE ATTORNEY

General Counsel Ciampa mentioned that Director Paulson inquired about doing Ethics Training required by AB 1234 for the District. General Counsel Ciampa is willing to schedule a meeting via Zoom and possibly a joint meeting with WQA who also inquired about the need for renewed AB 1234 training.

# REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER/ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER

The General Manager's written report is in the Agenda Packet.

The General Manager gave the Board a list of the State Water Contractor agencies who had committed to the additional Planning funding for the Delta Conveyance Project.

The Assistant General Manager's written report is in the Agenda Packet.

The Assistant General Manager reported that 1,900 acre-feet of water was delivered as of the end of October and 3,911 acre-feet remains to be delivered. The balance of 2024's allocation will be delivered by the end of the year if there are no additional delivery restrictions.

The Assistant General Manager also thanked Mr. Bryden of Watermaster for being present, which is beneficial for collaboration.

# REPORT OF THE STATE WATER CONTRACTORS

The General Manager's written report is in the Agenda Packet.

# **COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS**

None.

### DIRECTOR REPORTS ON EVENTS ATTENDED

Director Eng reported he attended the Alhambra Pumpkin Run and the Trunk & Treat.

Director Placido stated that he attended the Pumpkin Run and was able to attend the sponsored program ceremony of the Alhambra High School debate, for which he commended Albert Lu for a fantastic job in putting it together. The debate topic was water conservation, and Director Placido stated the debate was a great way to get the message out about conservation and climate change.

Director Paulson reported he attended a luncheon for Senator Durazo.

DIRECTORS COMMENTS	

None.

CLOSED SESSION at 8:53 a.m.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION: Potential Initiation of Litigation (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4)

# CLOSED SESSION ADJOURNED at 9:02 a.m.

**CLOSED SESSION REPORT:** General Counsel Ciampa reported that the closed session was held under Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4) to discuss one item of potential initiation of litigation. General Counsel Ciampa stated the Board was briefed as to the status of that item of potential initiation of litigation and no reportable action was taken.

**ADJOURNED** at 9:03 a.m.

There being no further business, the meeting was duly adjourned at 9:03 a.m. The next Regular Board Meeting of the San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District will be on December 09, 2024, at 8:00 a.m.

	s/Mark R. Paulson President
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ATTEST:	
s/Darin Kasamoto	
Secretary (Deputy)	