

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE INLAND EMPIRE UTILITIES AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2018 10:00 A.M.

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

Steven J. Elie, President Michael Camacho, Vice President Jasmin A. Hall, Secretary/Treasurer Paul Hofer Kati Parker

DIRECTORS ABSENT:

None

STAFF PRESENT:

Chris Berch, Executive Manager of Engineering/AGM Randy Lee, Executive Manager of Operations/AGM Shaun Stone, Acting Executive Manager of Engineering/AGM Christina Valencia, Executive Manager of Finance & Administration/AGM Joshua Aguilar, Senior Engineer Jerry Burke, Deputy Manager of Engineering Pietro Cambiaso, Environmental Compliance & Energy Supervisor Andrea Carruthers, Senior External Affairs Specialist Javier Chagoyen-Lazaro, Manager of Finance and Accounting Scott Francis, Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator-in-Training Jennifer Hy-Luk, Administrative Assistant I Sally Lee, Executive Assistant Sylvie Lee, Manager of Planning & Environmental Resources Kenneth Monfore, Deputy Manager of Maintenance Lisa Morgan-Perales, Senior Water Resources Analyst Liza Munoz, Senior Engineer Scott Oakden, Deputy Manager of Operations Matthew Poeske, Construction Project Manager, P.E. John Scherck, Senior Project Manager Teresa Velarde, Manager of Internal Audit Rocky Welborn, Senior Associate Engineer April Woodruff, Board Secretary/Office Manager

OTHERS PRESENT:

Marty Cihigoyenetche, JC Law Firm
David Lamform, National Parks Conservation Association (NPCA)
John Monsen, National Parks Conservation Association (NPCA)

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Inland Empire Utilities Agency* was held at the office of the Agency, 6075 Kimball Avenue, Bldg. A, Chino, California on the above date.

President Elie called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. A quorum was present.

(Director Hofer entered the Board meeting room at 10:03 a.m.)

President Elie stated that members of the public may address the Board. David Lamform, the California Desert Program Director of the National Parks Conservation Association (NPCA) addressed the Board regarding the Cadiz Groundwater Mining Project. Mr. Lamform mentioned that he has been working on conservation in the Mojave Desert and for the past decade has been designating the creation of the largest national monument, the Mojave Trail National Monument, which includes Cadiz and Sacred Springs. Mr. Lamform addressed the issues of the Cadiz EIR by reporting a recently peer-reviewed and published study in the journal, *Hydrology* that disproves the Cadiz EIR claim that extraction will not harm the surface water springs. Mr. Lamform stated the study demonstrates that not only is there a connection to the springs but there is a connection to five springs.

John Monson from NPCA summarized the major findings of the study. First, due to the surface connection to groundwater even one-foot drop in the water table can dry up springs and vegetation. Second, the prior study mentioned contradicts premises made by Cadiz that the project is sustainable and reliable. The study further confirms the original findings of the United States geological survey conducted twenty years ago. Mr. Monson invited the Board to a tour of the area that will be affected.

President Elie asked if there were any changes/additions/deletions to the agenda. There were no changes/additions/deletions to the agenda.

NEW EMPLOYEE INTRODUCTIONS

 Mr. Scott Francis, Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator-in-Training, hired October 8, 2018, Operations & Maintenance Department

The Board of Directors welcomed Mr. Francis to the IEUA team.

CONSENT ITEMS

President Elie asked if there were any Board members wishing to pull an item from the Consent Calendar for discussion. There was no one desiring to do so.

Upon motion by Director Camacho, seconded by Director Hofer, and unanimously carried:

M2018-10-2

MOVED, to approve the Consent Calendar.

- A. The Board approved the minutes from the September 19, 2018 Board Meeting and the October 3, 2018 Board Workshop/Meeting.
- B. The Board approved the total disbursements for the month of August 2018, in the amount of \$19,383,144.08.

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C. The Board:

- 1. Approved Contract No. 4600002632 to Aqua Ben Corporation, establishing a two-year contract for the supply of polymer with options for extensions up to three additional years, for potential contract term for fiver years; and
- 2. Authorized the General Manager to execute the contract with potential contract extensions.

D. The Board:

- Awarded a one-year contract (\$210,000), with two one-year extension options, to ConServ Inc., for the implementation and administration of the Regional Residential Landscape Retrofit Program for a not-toexceed amount of \$710,000 (three-year contract term); and
- 2. Authorized the General Manager to execute the contract, subject to non-substantive changes.

E. The Board:

- 1. Approved Task Order No. 4 with CBWM for Chino Basin Project Evaluation and Conceptual Design Support, for a not-to-exceed amount of \$190,568, under the Master Cost Sharing Agreement; and
- 2. Authorized the General Manager to execute Task Order No. 4, subject to non-substantive changes.

F. The Board:

- Awarded a construction contract for the RP-1 PRB and MCC Building Roof and Skylight Replacement, Project No. EN19037, to Best Contracting Services Inc., in the amount of \$343,555; and
- 2. Authorized the General Manager to execute the contract.
- G. The Board adopted Resolution No. 2018-10-1, approving an amendment to the 2018-21 MOU for the Inland Empire Operators' Association, by adopting a Side Letter of Agreement.

RESOLUTION 2018-10-1
RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF INLAND EMPIRE UTILITIES AGENCY*, SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE 2018 - 21 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR THE INLAND EMPIRE OPERATORS' ASSOCIATION, BY ADOPTING A SIDE LETTER OF AGREEMENT (for full text, see Resolution Book)

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H. The Board:

- 1. Ratified the emergency project approval for the RP-2 Dewatering of Decommissioned Structures in the amount of \$500,000;
- Approved the budget amendment in the amount of \$500,000 for Project No. EN19019, RO Emergency O&M Projects FY 2018/19; and
- 3. Authorized the General Manager to approve the emergency task order subject to non-substantive changes and budget augmentation.

I. The Board:

- Approved a Master Service Contract Task Order with K-VAC for vacuum truck services in the amount of \$123,000;
- 2. Approved an amendment to Master Service Contract 4600002293 with K-Vac for vacuum truck services in the amount of \$322,670 for a total aggregate not-to-exceed amount of \$466,000; and
- 3. Authorized the General Manager to execute the task order and contract amendment subject to non-substantive changes.

ACTION ITEM

VIDEO RECORDING AND BROADCASTING OF MEETINGS

Acting Executive Manager of Engineering/AGM Shaun Stone stated that the item was first presented to the Board at the October 3, 2018 workshop and it was requested to provide additional information. Mr. Stone stated that after further consultation with the Integrated Systems Services Department, they recommend the option of third party hosting, which is lower in cost than in-house hosting. Mr. Stone gave a brief presentation of the proposed location of the video links for the broadcasting of meetings on the IEUA website.

President Elie mentioned the possibility of adding a hyperlink on the IEUA.org homepage for quick access to the videos and broadcasts.

Upon motion by Director Parker, seconded by Director Camacho, and unanimously carried:

M2018-10-3

MOVED, to:

- 1. Select option 2, Third party video hosting off-site hosting; and
- 2. Direct staff to implement the video recording of meetings of the Board.

INFORMATION ITEMS

ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT PROJECT UPDATE

Deputy Manager of Engineering Jerry Burke gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Engineering and Construction Management project updates. He provided updates on the following projects: EN22002-NRW East End Flowmeter Replacement; EN19027-NRW Pipeline Relining Along Cucamonga Creek; EN19029-RP-4 Outfall Pipeline Air Release Valve Replacement/Relocation; EN19025/EN23002-Force Main Improvements; and EN19010-RP-4 Influent Screen Replacement.

MWD UPDATE

Executive Manager of Engineering/AGM Chris Berch stated that the MWD meeting was routine in nature but noted that the Local Resource Program has adjusted its target to 170,000 acrefeet/year. Currently, the Local Resource Program is at approximately 100,000 acrefeet/ year. and will be looking into investing in other local projects.

CBWM UPDATE

Executive Manager of Engineering/AGM Chris Berch stated that CBWM approved the Recharge Master Plan Update and Task Order, both items have been also recently approved by IEUA. The Storage Framework was completed at last month's meeting. The Storage Framework sets the basis of the Optimal Basin Management Plan (OBMP) update. Mr. Berch noted that CBWM and IEUA are aligned closely with the projects. Mr. Berch also noted that the OBMP objectives tie in with the Prop 1 - Regional Basin Project.

SAWPA UPDATE

Acting Executive Manager of Engineering/AGM Shaun Stone stated that the meeting was routine in nature and noted the only action item was the approval of the MOU with the City of Riverside for the Water Energy Community Action Program (WECAM).

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ITEMS WERE RECEIVED AND FILED BY THE BOARD:

TREASURER'S REPORT OF FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

PUBLIC OUTREACH AND COMMUNICATION

LEGISLATIVE REPORT FROM INNOVATIVE FEDERAL STRATEGIES

LEGISLATIVE REPORT FROM WEST COAST ADVISORS

CALIFORNIA STRATEGIES, LLC MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT

FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE TRACKING MATRIX

STATE LEGISLATIVE TRACKING MATRIX

PLANNING & ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES ANNUAL REPORTS

1ST QUARTER PLANNING & ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES UPDATE

LABORATORY SEMI-ANNUAL UPDATE

SAWPA REPORT

Director Hall had nothing additional to report.

MWD REPORT

Director Camacho stated Ms. Gloria Gray was elected as the next Chairman of the Board of Directors and will start on January 1st. Director Camacho wished her all the best and stated that he looks forward to working with her.

REGIONAL SEWERAGE PROGRAM POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT

The next meeting is scheduled for November 1, 2018.

CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER REPORT

President Elie had nothing additional to report.

CHINO BASIN DESALTER AUTHORITY REPORT

Director Hall had nothing additional to report.

INLAND EMPIRE REGIONAL COMPOSTING AUTHORITY

The next meeting is scheduled for November 5, 2018.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

There was nothing additional to report.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REQUESTED FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no Board requested future agenda items.

DIRECTORS' COMMENTS

Director Hofer stated that he went on a tour of the Burrtec Facility, which was previously the Dairy Digester on October 9. Director Hofer stated his appreciation of Mr. Berch for hosting the informative tour.

Director Hall stated she attended the CASA Strategic Planning Seminar on September 23 through September 25 and the Boys & Girls Club of Fontana Mayor's Gala on October 13.

Vice President Camacho stated that he hosted the MWD State Water Project Inspection Tour on October 5 through October 6 and that Joe DiMaggio from the California Water Commission provided information and a tour of the area. He also attended the MWDOC 2018 Water Policy Forum and Dinner on October 11.

President Elie stated he attended the Chino Neighborhood Open House on September 20 and the MWD State Water Project Inspection Tour on October 5 through October 6.

CLOSED SESSION

The Board went into Closed Session at 10:34 a.m., A. PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(a) – CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION: (1) Chino Basin Municipal Water District vs. City of Chino, Case No. RCV51010

The meeting resumed at 10:44 a.m., and General Counsel Marty Cihigoyenetche stated that the below-mentioned matters were discussed in Closed Session, and the Board took the following actions:

Regarding Conference with Legal Counsel - Existing Litigation:

Chino Basin Municipal Water District vs. City of Chino, Case No. RCV51010

The Board took no reportable action.

With no further business, President Elie adjourned the meeting at 10:44 a.m.

Jasmin A. Hall, Secretary/Treasurer

APPROVED: NOVEMBER 21, 2018