

**MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MUNICIPAL
WATER DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
1402 N. VOSBURG DR. AZUSA, CA 91702
950 NEW YORK AVE NW, WASHINGTON, DC 20001 US [Director Prince]
MONDAY, JUNE 09, 2025
8:00 A.M.**

At 8:00 a.m. on June 09, 2025, 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 six-foot 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 Placido called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL:

Directors present at Roll Call: Eng, Knoles, Paulson, Placido, Prince (via Zoom)

ALSO PRESENT:

Darin Kasamoto, General Manager; Steve Kiggins, Assistant General Manager; Maria "Gigi" Jarmin, Executive Assistant; Albert Lu, External Affairs Specialist; Jim Ciampa, Lagerlof LLP; Kelly Gardner, Main San Gabriel Basin Watermaster.

Via telephone/Zoom: Miles Prince, SGVMWD; Melissa Barbosa, Azusa Light & Water; Carlos Solis, 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 May 12, 2025

Financial Statements for May 2025

Disbursements of the Revolving Fund Dated:

May 15, 2025, Check Nos. 12695 - 12700, EFTs, and Wires in the amount of \$65,956.34

May 29, 2025, Check Nos. 12701 - 12704, EFT, and Wires in the amount of \$67,203.86

June 09, 2025, Check Nos. 12705 - 12709, and Wires in the amount of \$5,231.20

Disbursements of the General Fund Dated:

May 13 - 31, 2025, Check Nos. 45220 – 45240, and EFTs in the amount of \$465,842.20

June 01 - 09, 2025, Check Nos. 45241 – 45278, and EFTs in the amount of \$1,284,581.95

Disbursements for State Water Project (SWP) expenses, dated: May 27, 2025, Check No. 1017, in the amount of \$537,168.00

Future Meeting Attendance Approval: None

On the motion of Director Paulson, seconded by Director Eng, and unanimously carried 5-0, the Consent Calendar was approved.

Approved by the Board of Directors of the San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District at its regular meeting held on June 09, 2025, by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Eng, Knoles, Paulson, Placido, Prince

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

ACTION AGENDA ITEM

REPORT ON VACANT JOB POSITIONS – AB 2561

Legal Counsel Ciampa stated, that the Legislature has enacted AB 2561, which was signed into law in 2024 and took effect on January 1, 2025. AB 2561, mandates that public agencies annually, prior to adoption of their annual budgets, present data on job vacancies and recruitment/retention efforts during public hearings before their governing bodies. The General Manager provided the AB 2561 report and noted there is currently one vacant position, which is the System Operator/-Inspector, the District is in the process of filling the position in the next few months.

RESOLUTION NO. 06-2025-846 AMENDING CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND DISCLOSURE CODE TO ADD GENERAL MANAGER EMERITUS POSITION

Legal Counsel Ciampa stated that in light of the new General Manager starting employment with the District on July 1, 2025, and General Manager Kasamoto continuing employment through the end of 2025, a new “General Manager Emeritus” position should be created to avoid having two people in the same position. Given the nature of that position’s duties, it should be added to the District’s Conflict of Interest and Disclosure Code.

On motion of Director Paulson, seconded by Director Eng, and unanimously carried 5-0, A
RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MUNICIPAL

WATER DISTRICT AMENDING CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE AND DISCLOSURE CODE TO ADD GENERAL MANAGER EMERITUS POSITION, RESOLUTION NO. 06-2025-846 was approved. Approved by the Board of Directors of the San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District at their regular meeting held on June 09, 2025, by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Eng, Knoles, Paulson, Placido, Prince
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

RESOLUTION NO 06-2025-847 SALARY SCHEDULE

On motion of Director Eng, seconded by Director Paulson, and unanimously carried 5-0, A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT REVISING SALARIES, RESOLUTION NO. 06-2025-847 was approved.

Approved by the Board of Directors of the San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District at their regular meeting held on June 09, 2025, by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Eng, Knoles, Paulson, Placido, Prince
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

RESOLUTION NO. 06-2025-848 BUDGET AND CAPITAL EXPENDITURES

On motion of Director Knoles, seconded by Director Paulson, and unanimously carried 5-0, RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT ADOPTING 2026 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET, RESOLUTION NO. 06-2025-848 was approved.

Approved by the Board of Directors of the San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District at their regular meeting held on June 09, 2025, by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Eng, Knoles, Paulson, Placido, Prince
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

PROPOSAL FROM CIVILTEC ENGINEERING, INC. TO EXTEND CONSTRUCTION PHASE SERVICES AND SAN DIMAS GENERATOR REDESIGN FOR GENERATOR REPLACEMENT, ELECTRICAL TESTING, AND ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT UPGRADES AT SIX FACILITIES

Steve Kiggins requested approval for additional cost to added to the existing project, which was approved on November 13, 2023, for \$79,145.00. This proposal is to extend construction phase services and San Dimas generator redesign for generator replacement, electrical testing, and electrical equipment upgrades at six facilities at an additional design cost of \$31,815.00

On motion of Director Paulson, seconded by Director Knoles, and unanimously carried 5-0, the proposed additional amount not to exceed \$31,815.00 was approved to be added to the contract with Civiltec.

Approved by the Board of Directors of the San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District at their regular meeting held on June 09, 2025, by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Eng, Knoles, Paulson, Placido, Prince
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

INFORMATION ITEMS

EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

External Affairs Report in Agenda Packet

Albert Lu reported that the External Affairs staff have been working on outreaching to legislative offices regarding the governor's trailer bill for the Delta Conveyance Project. California Advocates will be presenting to the board in August.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORT ON BASIN MANAGEMENT

Director Placido stated the Watermaster approved the 2025-26 Operating Safe Yield of 160,000 acre-feet. He also mentioned the one-year extension of the production agreement with Los Angeles County for Whittier Narrows.

REPORT OF WQA

Director Paulson stated the Water Quality Authority ratified and approved its 2025-26 budget without any increases to their assessments.

REPORT OF THE ATTORNEY

Legal Counsel Jim Ciampa remarked it was a pleasure working with Darin Kasamoto for over 7 years and wished him the best.

Legal Counsel Ciampa also mentioned the Budget Trailer bill which the State Water Contractors are supporting. There are some clarifying amendments being sought as that bill continues in the legislative process.

REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER/ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER

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

The General Manager reported that MWD reached out to start discussing the Pure Water Project. Mr. Kasamoto asked MWD to wait until July, after Jose Reynoso, the new manager, starts. The discussion will be for our general participation in that project and the potential use of the District's pipeline.

Legal Counsel Ciampa mentioned the MWD General manager is also retiring at the end of the year and the new job search of General Manager will probably be starting soon.

The Assistant General Manager's written report is in the Agenda Packet.
Assistant General Manager Kiggins reported the update of the painting project, which is 99% complete and the paving project is also now complete.

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 mentioned that he attended the Alhambra/Monterey Park Pride Festival which was well attended.

DIRECTORS COMMENTS

The Board of Directors expressed their appreciation working with Darin Kasamoto.

CLOSED SESSION at 8:43 a.m.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
(Government Code Section 54956.9(a)):

California Sportsfishing Alliance, et al. v. California Department of Water Resources and California Department of Fish and Wildlife, et al., Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 24WM000181; Tehama-Colusa Canal Authority, et al. v. California Department of Water Resources and California Department of Fish and Wildlife, et al., Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 24WM000183; San Francisco Baykeeper, et al. v. California Department of Water Resources, Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 24WM000185; and Central Delta Water Agency and South Delta Water Agency v. California Department of Water Resources, Sacramento County Superior Court Case No. 24WM000186 (2024 Incidental Take Permit Litigation)

CLOSED SESSION REPORT (at 8:51 a.m.)

Legal Counsel Ciampa stated no reportable action was taken in the closed session.

ADJOURNED at 8:52 a.m.

There being no further business, the meeting was duly adjourned at 8:52 a.m. The next Regular Board Meeting of the San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District's Board of Directors will be on July 14, 2025, at 8:00 a.m.

s/Steven T. Placido, DDS
President

ATTEST:

s/Bruce H. Knoles
Secretary