

### RECYCLED WATER COMMITTEE MEETING

# MINUTES

# FRIDAY, JANUARY 15, 2021 1:30 PM

(Paragraph numbers coincide with agenda item numbers)

# 1. CALL TO ORDER:

A regular meeting of the Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water) Recycled Water Committee (Committee) was called to order via Zoom video teleconference at 1:30 p.m.

# 1.1 Roll Call.

Committee members participating by teleconference were District 2 Director B. Keegan, District 7 Director G. Kremen, and District 6 Director T. Estremera, Chairperson presiding, constituting a quorum of the Committee.

Staff in attendance was E. Sans, Assistant Deputy Clerk II.

Staff participating by teleconference were G. Adriano, H. Ashktorab, A. Baker, R. Barajas, H. Barrientos, G. De La Piedra, V. Gin, E. Latedjou-Durant, H. McMahon, B. Hopper, L. Orta, S. Peters, M. Richardson, D. Rocha, M. Silva, K. Struve, C. Sun, S. Tran, D. Tucker, K. Wong, B. Yerrapotu, and T. Yoke.

Also in attendance were Valley Water consultant contractors D. Chen, HDR, Inc.; and P. Daniel, Liquisti, LLC.

District 4 Director L. LeZotte observed without participating in the meeting.

# 2. TIME CERTAIN:

Chairperson Estremera confirmed that the Board would adjourn to Closed Session for consideration of Item 2.1. Upon return to Open Session, the same Committee members and staff were present.

### 1:30 PM

2.1 CLOSED SESSION

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS
Government Code Section 54956.8

Setting Negotiation Parameters for Price and Terms of Payment for Acquiring Property Interest from Multiple Property Owners (APNs 008-03-068, 008-03-030 and 008-03-071) in Santa Clara County

### 2:00 PM

2.2 District Counsel Report on Closed Session.

Mr. Brian Hopper, Senior Assistant District Counsel, reported that in regard to Item 2.1, the Committee met in Closed Session with all members present, and took no reportable action.

#### TIME OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ANY ITEM NOT ON THE AGENDA: 3.

Chairperson Estremera declared time open for public comment on any item not on the agenda. There was no one present who wished to speak.

#### 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

4.1 Approval of Minutes.

> Recommendation: Approve the minutes of the November 20, 2020 meeting.

The Committee considered the attached minutes of the November 2020 meeting.

Move to Approve:

G. Kremen

Second:

B. Keegan

Yeas:

Barbara Keegan, Gary Kremen, Tony Estremera

Navs:

None

Abstains:

None

Recuses:

None

Absent:

B. Keegan

Summary:

3 Yeas; 0 Nays; 0 Abstains; 0 Absent.

#### 5. **ACTION ITEMS:**

### 5 1 **Election of 2021 Recycled Water Committee Chairperson and Vice** Chairperson.

Recommendation:

Nominate and elect the 2021 Recycled Water Committee

Chairperson and Vice Chairperson.

It was moved by Director Kremen, seconded by Director Keegan, and unanimously carried, to nominate and elect Director Estremera as 2021 Chairperson, and Director Keegan, as 2021 Vice Chairperson.

### 5.2 Update on Implementation of Purified Water Program Using Public-Private Partnership (P3) Approach.

Recommendation: A. Receive update on implementation of the Purified

Water Program via P3 approach; and

B. Provide direction to staff regarding next steps.

Ms. Kirsten Struve, Assistant Officer, reviewed the information on this item, per the attached Board Agenda Memo, and per the information contained in Attachment 1.

Ms. Melanie Richardson, Assistant Chief Executive Officer, updated the Committee about ongoing discussions with City of San Jose related to wastewater, land sites, and management of reverse osmosis concentrate.

Ms. Kerrie Romanow, Chief Sustainability Officer and Director of Environmental Services of the City of San Jose (City), expressed the City's commitment to support Valley Water's planned timetable for moving forward with the water purification project.

Mr. Ricardo Barajas, Program Administrator, discussed upcoming outreach plans for a virtual focus group in February, a public scoping meeting in March, and ongoing Purification Center/Water Infrastructure Tours.

The Committee requested that staff come back at a Committee meeting in the near future with an update on a comprehensive outreach plan that includes non-governmental organizations as distribution channels in promoting recycled water, and is developed in coordination with City of San Jose.

Mr. Jensen Clarke, Fengate Infrastructure Director, introduced himself as a Private Public Partnership developer, and asked about the date of the Industry Day.

Ms. Struve confirmed that Valley Water's Industry Day would be held within the first quarter of the calendar year.

5.3 Potential Joint Recycled Water Advisory Committee Meeting with Cities of East Palo Alto, Mountain View, and Palo Alto.

Recommendation: Receive information and discuss next steps.

Mr. Hossein Ashktorab, Recycled and Purified Water Manager, informed the Committee that the next meeting of the Joint Recycled Water Committee with the Cities of East Palo Alto, Mountain View and Palo Alto would be held in mid-February, after the cities had selected their 2021 Committee members, and discussed the planned agenda items for the meeting.

The Committee noted the information without formal action.

5.4 Review and Authorize the Chair to Present the 2020 Recycled Water Committee Accomplishments Report to the Board and Discuss the 2021 Recycled Water Committee Work Plan and Meeting Schedule.

Recommendation: A. Review the 2020 Recycled Water Committee Accomplishments Report;

B. Authorize the Chair to present 2020 Recycled Water Committee Accomplishments to the Board.

- C. Consider and accept the Proposed 2021 Work Plan; and
- D. Accept the 2021 Recycled Water Committee regular meeting schedule.

The Committee acknowledged the 2020 Accomplishment Report, and approved the proposed meeting schedule for 2021 without formal action.

The Committee additionally discussed the commitment needed, and expected by the community, in moving forward with purified water; and acknowledged the contributions made by retiring Assistant Officer, Mr. Jerry De La Piedra to recycled water development in Santa Clara County.

# 6. INFORMATION ITEMS:

None.

# 7. CLERK REVIEW AND CLARIFICATION OF COMMITTEE REQUESTS:

None.

### 8. ADJOURN:

8.1 Chairperson Estremera adjourned the meeting at 2:15 p.m. to the next regularly scheduled meeting at 12:00 p.m. on February 24, 2021, to be called to order in compliance with the State Emergency Services Act, the Governor's Emergency Declaration related to COVID-19, and the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20.

Eva Marie Sans Assistant Deputy Clerk II

Approved:

Date: February 24, 2021