

To: Board of Directors
From: Norma J. Camacho, Interim CEO

Chief Executive Officer Bulletin Week of June 23 – 29, 2017

Board Executive Limitation Policy EL-7:

The Board Appointed Officers shall inform and support the Board in its work. Further, a BAO shall 1) inform the Board of relevant trends, anticipated adverse media coverage, or material external and internal changes, particularly changes in the assumptions upon which any Board policy has previously been established and 2) report in a timely manner an actual or anticipated noncompliance with any policy of the Board.

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Ms. Sanchez emailed the water district on June 16, 2017, indicating that she attended the Board meeting and thought it went well and was delighted to hear that some of the short-term goals include flood barriers, stream maintenance, and plant removal of invasive plants on water district property and easements. She also appreciated hearing the board's willingness to convene a task force which will include residents.

Ms. Sanchez also asked to be contacted regarding creek clean-ups and placement of the temporary flood barriers for the area that was covered at the meeting.

Ms. Sanchez is President of the Spartan Keyes Neighborhood Association, some of whose residents were affected by the flood this year and the previous one 20 years ago. She is also a member of the Coyote Meadows Open Space Project, which is working to open a new park space in downtown San Jose. Coyote Meadows is the 50 acres of land located across Kelly Park and the Highway 280 and Story Road.

Ms. Sanchez also asked if City Council Districts 3 and 7 could be notified when work is scheduled to start in these areas. Ms. Sanchez requested e-mail updates on the short-term solution projects scheduled to begin within the next few months.

The water district responded to Ms. Sanchez's requests and is eager for the Board and the community's input and support to deliver short term flood risk reduction to the affected community prior to the next winter season.

The board directed staff to work with a task force that includes community members and city staff. Ms. Sanchez is also invited to participate in the task force.

The water district will also coordinate closely with the staff from City Council Districts 3 and 7 to keep the city apprised of any proposed activities.

Further, the water district informed Ms. Sanchez of several on-going creek management work efforts. The water district is doing work on its own lands and easement areas and is coordinating with the City of San Jose, who is also planning work for their lands. Private home owners are either doing their own work or asking for assistance.

The water district will hold community meetings prior to doing any flood barrier work this year and will continue to hold meetings over the next couple of years as work continues on the larger flood protection project.

On June 21, 2017, Ms. Sanchez thanked the water district for this information and expressed interest in joining the task force based on her availability. The water district thanked Ms. Sanchez for the offer and committed to keeping her informed as opportunities and issues develop.

For further information, please contact Afshin Rouhani at (408) 630-2616.
