

**MINUTES OF THE GATEWAY WATER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY  
LOS ANGELES GATEWAY REGION  
INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY BOARD  
AT PARAMOUNT, CALIFORNIA  
THURSDAY, MAY 10, 2012**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Gateway Water Management Authority was held on Thursday, May 10, 2012 at Noon at the Clearwater Building at 16401 Paramount Blvd., Paramount, CA 90723.

Chair Chris Cash called the meeting to order at 12:04 p.m. Roll was called through self-introductions and a quorum and a super-majority of the board was declared present. A Sign-In Sheet was distributed to all attendees for sign-in.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Chair Christopher Cash	Paramount
Vice-Chair Adriana Figueroa	Norwalk
Charlie Honeycutt	Signal Hill
Chau Vu (alternate)	Bell Gardens
Deborah Chankin	Bellflower
Dave Hill (alternate)	Central Basin MWD
Charles Emig (alternate)	Cerritos
Gina Nila	Commerce
Dan Mueller (alternate)	Downey
Steve Forster (alternate)	La Mirada
Jim Glancy	Lakewood
Anthony Arevalo (alternate)	Long Beach
Kevin Wattier	Long Beach Water Dept.
G. Daniel Ojeda	Lynwood
Art Cervantes	Pico Rivera
Frank Beach (alternate)	Santa Fe Springs
Steve Myrter (alternate)	Signal Hill
Bill De Witt	South Gate
Mohammad Mostahkami (alternate)	South Gate
Scott Rigg (alternate)	Vernon
David Pelser	Whittier

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Art Aguilar	Central Basin MWD
John Oskoui	Downey
John Oropeza	Bell Gardens
Vince Brar	Cerritos
Don Jensen	Santa Fe Springs
Kevin Wilson	Vernon
Thomas Robinson	La Mirada

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STAFF AND GUESTS PRESENT:

Grace Kast	Executive Officer
Ken Farfsing	Signal Hill
Bill Bennett	GEI Consultants
Melissa Cardsdale	GEI Consultants
Diana Leach	Golden State Water Company
Blake Whittington	Council for Watershed Health
James Park	City of Bell

**ITEM 3 - ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

None

**ITEM 4 – ORAL COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD**

None.

**ITEM 5 – CONSENT CALENDAR**

Director Dewitt moved the approval of the consent calendar. After Director Forster seconded the motion the consent calendar was unanimously approved.

**ITEM 6 – STATUS REPORT ON IRWMP ACTIVITIES**

Mr. Bill Bennett provided an update of activities and reminded everyone that an IRWM Plan Stakeholders meeting was being held after the board meeting in the same room at 1:30 p.m. Ms. Kast reminded the board that the approval of the IRWM Plan Public Outreach Plan was deferred from the previous board meeting to allow additional time for review.

Director Figueroa stated she had reviewed the Public Outreach Plan and had two comments relating to distribution of information. She indicated she would forward those two comments to Mr. Bill Bennett for incorporation.

Director Figueroa move to adopt the Public Outreach Plan with her two comments. The motion was seconded by Director Glancy. The Public Outreach Plan was unanimously approved by the board.

**ITEM 7 – GWMA BUDGETS**

FY 2012/13 General Budget

Ms. Kast reviewed the draft FY 2012/13 General Budget. She indicated that per the board's direction, she had prepared several options for a tiered dues revenue structure. Mr. Cash then reported that Ms. Kast along with Vice-Chair Figueroa and Mr. Honeycutt, Board Treasurer had reviewed the options in depth and felt that any change would significantly reduce revenues. Therefore, the officers were recommending that the

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revenues remain at \$15,000 per member but that flexibility be given to those remaining cities and/or water agencies for reduced dues.

Upon motion made by Director Honeycutt and seconded by Director DeWitt, the board unanimously authorized the Executive Officer to contact potential members and develop individual dues that could be recommended to the full board for approval. This would be done using the same criteria and application format as the ex-officio membership.

Upon motion made by Director Figueroa and seconded by Director Wattier, the general budget for FY 2012/13 was unanimously approved.

FY 2012/13 Los Cerritos Channel MOA Budget

Upon motion made by Director Arevelo and seconded by Director De Witt, the FY 2012/13 Los Cerritos Channel MOA Budget was unanimously approved.

FY 2012/13 Coyote Creek MOA Budget

Upon motion made by Director Glancy and seconded by Director Nila, the FY 2012/13 Coyote Creek MOA Budget was unanimously approved.

**ITEM 8 – LEGISLATION**

Ms. Kast and Mr. Farfsing reviewed SB1201 (deLeon) establishing the LA River Interagency Access Council. This proposed council was created to represent the many interests and stakeholders along the river while they developed a report identifying other possible uses. With much at stake and no master plan for the lower LA River, it was recommended that the Gateway Water Management Authority (“GWMA”) be specifically named to the Council in the legislation. Therefore the recommendation was to support SB1201 with amendment requesting the addition of GWMA.

Upon motion made by Director DeWitt and seconded by Director Ojeda, a position of support with amendment was approved. Ms. Kast stated she would finalize the letter to the Senator and send copies to the GWMA members so that individual members could support GWMA’s request.

**ITEM 9 – CITY MANAGERS STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT**

Mr. Farfsing updated the board on the draft water quality fee ordinance being circulated by LA County. He reported the date for the Board of Supervisors to approve the ordinance and approve the election was moved back to May 29<sup>th</sup>.

**ITEM 10 – OTHER**

None.

**ITEM 11 – EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT**

None.

**ITEM 12 – DIRECTOR’S COMMENTS/REPORTS**

Director Glancy updated the board on SB1146 (Pavley) regarding well logs as well as AB 2231 (Fuentes) regarding the need to prioritize the repair of sidewalks quickly.

**ITEM 13 - ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:23 pm to Thursday, June 14, 2012 in the Clearwater Building at Paramount, CA.

  
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Charlie Honeycutt, Treasurer

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