

**MINUTES OF THE GATEWAY WATER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
LOS ANGELES GATEWAY REGION
INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
AT PARAMOUNT, CALIFORNIA
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2013**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Gateway Water Management Authority was held on Thursday, February 26, 2013 at 9:30 a.m. at the Progress Park Plaza, 15500 Downey Avenue, Paramount, CA 90723.

Chair Chris Cash called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m. Roll was called through self-introductions and a quorum of the board was declared present. A Sign-In Sheet was provided to all attendees for sign-in.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chair Christopher Cash	Paramount
Vice-Chair Adriana Figueroa	Norwalk
Charlie Honeycutt	Signal Hill
Carlos Alba	Artesia
Young Park (alternate)	Bell
Chau Vu (alternate)	Bell Gardens
Bernardo Iniguez (alternate)	Bellflower
Gina Nila	Commerce
Desi Alvarez (by proxy)	Huntington Park
Lisa Rapp	Lakewood
Anthony Arevalo	Long Beach
Jose Molina (alternate)	Lynwood
Gladis Deros (alternate)	Pico Rivera
Noe Negrete (alternate)	Santa Fe Springs
Steve Myrter (alternate)	Signal Hill
Scott Rigg (alternate)	Vernon
David Pelser	Whittier

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Terry Rodrigue	Bell
John Oropeza	Bell Gardens
Deborah Chankin	Bellflower
N/A	Central Basin MWD
Vince Brar	Cerritos
John Oskoui	Downey
James Enriquez	Huntington Park
Thomas Robinson	La Mirada
Jim Glancy	Lakewood
Kevin Wattier	Long Beach Water Dept.
N/A	Lynwood
Art Cervantes	Pico Rivera
Frank Beach	Santa Fe Springs
Bill DeWitt	South Gate
Kevin Wilson	Vernon

EX-OFFICIO PARTICIPANTS:

Ernesto Marquez	Hawaiian Gardens
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STAFF AND GUESTS ON SIGN-IN SHEET:

Grace Kast	Executive Officer
Claudia Arellano	Vernon
Chris Lapaz	Montebello
Sarah Ho	Paramount
Konya Vivanti	Lakewood
Aaron Hernandez	Cudahy
Victor Ferrer	Cudahy
Rochelle Paras	LAFCD – GLAC IRWM
Blake Whittington	Council for Watershed Health
Sam Kouri	Montebello

ITEM 3 - ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

None.

ITEM 4 – ORAL COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

None.

ITEM 5 – PRESENTATION – LOS ANGELES COUNTY MS4 PERMIT (GATEWAY CITIES AND WATERSHEDS)

Mr. John Hunter of John L. Hunter and Associates gave a presentation summarizing the newly adopted LA County MS4 Permit. He indicated that several deadlines were being imposed that needed the attention of the cities throughout LA County.

After many questions and answers, cities were invited to sign a green sheet “Intent to Participate” that would satisfy the first deadline on February 26, 2013 indicating a cities intent to initiative their review of a Green Streets Policy and Low Impact Development Ordinance. The documents would be held by GWMA for inclusion with an MOU due by June 28, 2013.

ITEM 6 – DISCUSSION/ACTIONS REGARDING COMPLIANCE WITH LA REGIONAL BOARD’S MS4 PERMIT (WMP/EWMP)

Many representatives of cities and existing watershed groups expressed interest in having GWMA take a lead on the formation of an MOU group to develop a WMP or EWMP for the Gateway region. Participation in the MOU would be voluntary and the end-product (WMP/EWMP) would serve as the umbrella Plan with separate chapters for each watershed in the region. The Chair directed staff to work on a follow-up special board meeting date and time to focus solely on the MS4 Permit WMP/EWMP.

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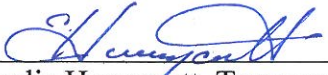
On motion made by Director Alvarez and seconded by Director Figueroa, staff was instructed to develop a standard, customizable LID Ordinance and Green Street Policy for Gateway cities to use if they so choose. The motion passed unanimously.

On motion made by Director Rapp and seconded by Negrete, staff was directed to develop an MOU for discussion and action by the GWMA Board. The motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 7 – DIRECTORS’ COMMENTS/REPORTS

None.

The special meeting was adjourned at 12:05 p.m. to a regular meeting of the board on Thursday, March 14, 2013 in the Clearwater Building at Paramount, CA.



Charlie Honeycutt, Treasurer

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Date