MINUTES OF THE GATEWAY WATER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY LOS ANGELES GATEWAY REGION INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY BOARD AT PARAMOUNT, CALIFORNIA THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2013

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Gateway Water Management Authority was held on Thursday, March 14, 2013 at Noon at the Clearwater Building at 16401 Paramount Blvd., Paramount, CA 90723.

Chair Chris Cash called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.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
Charlie Honeycutt
Carlos Alba
Young Park (alternate)

Paramount
Signal Hill
Artesia
Bell

John Oropeza

Bell Gardens

Bernardo Iniguez (alternate)

Bellflower

Gina Nila

Commerce

Dan Mueller (alternate)

Downey

James Enriquez

Desi Alvarez (alternate by proxy)

Huntington Park

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Lisa Rapp (alternate)

Lakewood

Kevin Wattier Long Beach Water Dept.

Jose Molina (alternate)

Gladis Deras (alternate)

Frank Beach

Steve Myrter (alternate)

Lynwood

Pico Rivera

Santa Fe Springs

Signal Hill

Bill DeWitt South Gate
Mohammad Mostahkami (alternate) South Gate
Scott Rigg (alternate) Vernon

David Pelser Whittier

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Terry Rodrigue Bell
N/A Central Basin MWD

Vince Brar Cerritos
John Oskoui Downey
Thomas Robinson La Mirada
Jim Glancy Lakewood
Anthony Arevalo Long Beach

N/A Lynwood
Adriana Figueroa Norwalk
Art Cervantes Pico Rivera
Kevin Wilson Vernon

EX-OFFICIO PARTICIPANTS:

Ernesto Marquez

Hawaiian Gardens

STAFF AND GUESTS ON SIGN-IN SHEET:

Grace Kast
Mike O'Grady
Blake Whittington

City of Cerritos

Executive Officer

Bill Bennett

Council for Watershed Health GEI Consultants

Enrique Huerta
John Hunter

GLAC IRWMP DAC

Julie Millett Russ Bryden (by phone) John L. Hunter Associates John L. Hunter Associates LACFD and GLAC IRWM

Phil Doudar (by phone) Rich Watson LACFD and GLAC IRWM

Rich Watson

Rich Watson Associates

Ken Farfsing

Signal Hill

ITEM 3 - ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

None.

ITEM 4 - ORAL COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

Mr. Russ Bryden reported on dates and activities of the GLAC IRWM.

ITEM 5 - CLOSED SESSION: PURSUANT TO GOV. CODE SECTION 54956.9 (c)

None.

ITEM 6 - CONSENT CALENDAR

Director Honeycutt requested a time correction listed on the minutes. Director Nila moved the approval of the consent calendar with the correction. Director Honeycutt seconded the motion. The consent calendar was unanimously approved with one abstention (Director DeWitt).

ITEM 7 – STATUS REPORT ON IRWMP ACTIVITIES

Mr. Bill Bennett reported that the Gateway IRWM Plan Administrative Draft was 80 to 90% complete. He referred to and distributed the draft Executive Summary and a schedule of dates for adoption of the Plan. After discussion, Director Wattier moved to approve the date of May 1st at 5:00 p.m. for the IRWM Plan Public Meeting. The motion was seconded by Director Nila and unanimously approved.

Ms. Kast reported on the Prop 84 Round 2 Implementation Grant program and the extensive application process. She then asked Mr. Rich Watson and Mr. John Hunter, the consulting team retained to develop the application for GWMA.

Mr. Hunter reported that he and Mr. Watson had each taken 4 of the 8 proposed projects. A verbal status of each project was provided to the Board including the possible elimination of one of those projects, the Chittick Field project in Long Beach which was well ahead of the Prop 84 application schedule.

Based on evolving issues within each proposed project, Director DeWitt moved to authorize the Executive Committee to make final decisions on inclusion of or changes to projects before the March 29 application deadline. The motion was seconded by Director Alba and unanimously approved.

Mr. Grace Kast referred to Resolution 01-03-13. She indicated that the Prop 84 Implementation Grant Application required that a Resolution be adopted by GWMA authorizing GWMA to enter into an agreement with the Department of Water Resources. The motion was made by Director Wattier, seconded by Director DeWitt and unanimously approved.

ITEM 8 – NOTICE OF DATE OF 2ND SPECIAL BOARD MEETING REGARDING COMPLIANCE WITH LA REGIONAL BOARD'S MS4 PERMIT – WMP/EWMP

Chair Cash reported that March 18, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. was the date set for the 2nd Special Board Meeting focused solely on the MS4 Permit's WMP/EWMP. The meeting place would be held at Progress Park Plaza in Paramount.

ITEM 9 – GWMA MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Ms. Kast referred to the enclosed draft Letter Agreement between GWMA and the L.A. County Sanitation District. She thanked Director DeWitt and Mr. Ken Farfsing for spear-heading the effort. She indicated that the letter agreement provided support and technical assistance for GWMA IRWM activities by the Sanitation District. She also reported that as part of this partnership, the Sanitation District would be listed as a technical support partner on GWMA's website and letterhead. She then requested approval of the Letter Agreement.

Director Wattier moved to approve the Letter Agreement and make changes to the website and letterhead. Director Rapp seconded the motion which was unanimously approved with Director DeWitt abstaining.

Ms. Kast then reported that she has sent membership information to representatives of Montebello and Cudahy. She indicated that they have been attending the GWMA Special Board Meetings and have expressed interest in joining the JPA.

ITEM 11 - CITY MANAGERS STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Ken Farfsing updated the Board on the status of the WQFI. He reviewed some of the issues voiced by the Board of Supervisors as well as organizations not in support of the measure. He thanked those Gateway cities which had attended the Public Protest Hearing.

Mr. Phil Doudar then summarized the next steps for LACFD.

ITEM 12 - EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Ms. Kast reminded the Board that April 2nd was the deadline for submission of their Annual Statements of Economic Interest, Form 700.

ITEM 13 - DIRECTORS' COMMENTS/REPORTS

Director Wattier reported that WRD had mailed out their Prop 218 ballot.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:50 p.m. to Thursday, April 9, 2013 in the Clearwater Building at Paramount, CA.

Charlie Honeycutt, Treasurer

Date