

**MINUTES OF THE GATEWAY WATER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
LOS ANGELES GATEWAY REGION
INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY BOARD
AT PARAMOUNT, CALIFORNIA
THURSDAY, JANUARY 8, 2015**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Gateway Water Management Authority was held on Thursday, January 8, 2015 at Noon at the Progress Park Plaza, 15500 Downey Avenue, Paramount, CA 90723.

Chair Chris Cash called the meeting to order at 12:06 p.m. Roll was called by Ms. Penn and a quorum of the Board was declared.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Okina Dor	Artesia
Al Cablay (alternate)	Bell
Chau Vu (alternate)	Bell Gardens
Len Gorecki	Bellflower
Tammy Hierlihy	Central Basin MWD
Aaron Hernandez-Torres	Cudahy
Mohammad Mostahkami	Downey
Desi Alvarez (alternate)	Huntington Park
Mark Stowell	La Mirada
Lisa Rapp	Lakewood
Anthony Arevalo	Long Beach
Kevin Wattier	Long Beach Water Dept.
Danilo Batson	Montebello
Adriana Figueroa	Norwalk
Chris Cash	Paramount
Gladis Deras (alternate)	Pico Rivera
Noe Negrete (alternate)	Santa Fe Springs
Charlie Honeycutt	Signal Hill
Art Cervantes	South Gate
Scott Rigg (alternate)	Vernon
David Pelser	Whittier

STAFF AND GUESTS ON SIGN-IN SHEET:

Grace Kast	Executive Officer
Toni Penn	Administrative/Accounting Assistant
Candice Lee	General Counsel
Virginia Fowler	LACFCD
Ken Farfsing	Signal Hill
Enrique Huerta	Outreach Consultant
John Hunter	John Hunter & Associates
Ester Rojas	WRD
Bill Minasian	Downey
Richard Watson	Richard Watson & Associates
Jim Glancy	Lakewood
Catherine Jun	Bellflower
Anthony Herda	Civiltec Engineering

Sean Cho
Sharon Green

Civiltec Engineering
Los Angeles County Sanitation District

ITEM 3 - ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

None.

ITEM 4 – ORAL COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

Ms. Virginia Fowler from the Los Angeles County Flood Control District advised that the next meeting of the Greater LA IRWM's Leadership Committee would be held on January 28, 2015 at 9:30 a.m.

ITEM 5 - CONSENT CALENDAR

Director Mostahkami moved the approval of the consent calendar. The motion was seconded by Director Figueroa and was approved by the following voice votes:

AYES: Dor, Cablay, Vu, Gorecki, Hierlihy, Hernandez-Torres, Mostahkami, Alvarez, Stowell, Rapp, Arevalo, Wattier, Batson, Figueroa, Cash, Deras, Negrete, Honeycutt, Cervantes, Rigg, Pelsner

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ITEM 6 – PRESENTATION – PROPOSED SANITATION DISTRICT LEGISLATION REGARDING STORMWATER

Ms. Sharon Green, Los Angeles County Sanitation District, gave a presentation to the Board on the proposed Sanitation District legislation regarding stormwater. She provided background on the overview of Sanitation Districts and current activities. She also provided an overview of the proposed legislation and timeline. In closing, Ms. Green stated that as the process moves forward, she would appreciate their input and support for this legislation.

ITEM 7 – PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION REGARDING WATERSHED IMPLEMENTATION ALLOCATION OF COSTS

Mr. Richard Watson, Watson & Associates and Mr. John Hunter, JHunter & Associates gave a presentation to the Board regarding watershed implementation allocation of costs. Mr. Hunter provided background information on the projects that were required by the MS4 Permit. He then reviewed various scenarios to meet these requirements. Mr. Watson then presented to the Board various funding options.

ITEM 8 – DISCUSSION/ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT FOR THE STATEWATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD GRANT AGREEMENT OF THE

**LOW IMPACT DEVELOPMENT (“LID”) BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES (BMPs”) PROGRAM
RELATING TO THE LOS ANGELES RIVER, SAN GABRIEL RIVER AND LOS CERRITOS
CHANNEL, AND THEIR TRIBUTARIES**

Ms. Kast reported that earlier this year, GWMA was awarded \$1.073 million in grant funds with a local match of \$270,220 for the Prop 84 Stormwater Grant Program Round 2 by the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB). She indicated that GWMA would help facilitate the receipt, processing, and reimbursement of the SWRCB Grant Agreement funding. She stated that as part of this process, GWMA would enter into subrecipient agreements with each of the GWMA members participating in the Project to ensure that the SWRCB Grant Agreement’s provisions were met.

Ms. Kast reported that GWMA staff had recently been asked whether GWMA could handle the notice inviting bids for the LID BMP work and the contract for the LID BMP work. She indicated that staff was requesting direction on how to coordinate the Notice Inviting Bids and the associated contract(s) along with the payment of invoices and the collection/reimbursement of monies.

Directors Cash, Alvarez, Hierlihy, Wattier, and Rapp departed the meeting.

Director Figueroa assumed the Chair in Director Cash’s absence.

After detailed discussions, the Board continued this item to the next meeting and directed staff and legal counsel to incorporate the following details into the subrecipient template with the assumption that GWMA would handle the notice inviting bids and would contract with the winning bidder on behalf of all the participating cities:

1. Each participating city must execute a subrecipient agreement with GWMA before GWMA sends out the notice inviting bids for the LID BMP project work;
2. The participating cities must submit a deposit to cover the estimated 100% cost of the LID BMP Project to enable GWMA to pay the contractor for the work;
3. The subrecipient agreement shall include details regarding timing of payment, deposits and reimbursement:
 - a. Cities would pay deposit to GWMA;
 - b. When GWMA receives invoices from contractor, GWMA pays invoice and submits request for reimbursement from the State Water Resources Control Board;
 - c. When GWMA receives reimbursement from SWRCB, GWMA will reimburse the cities according to their cost share in the Project.

In addition, the Board directed staff to take steps to comply with the Labor Compliance Program (relating to prevailing wages) requirement of the Prop. 84 Grant Agreement.”

ITEM 9 – GATEWAY REGION WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PLANS (WMPS) ACTIVITIES

Director Figueroa reported that the Watershed Groups were all currently reviewing and preparing a response to RWQCB’s comments on the WMP.

ITEM 10 – CITY MANAGERS STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT

None.

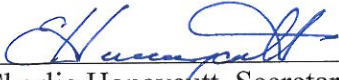
ITEM 11 - EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT

None.

ITEM 12 – DIRECTORS’ COMMENTS/REPORTS

Director Figueroa indicated that the GWMA’s Board meeting in February will be held at the Clearwater Building because the Progress Park Plaza was not available.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:50 p.m. to a Meeting of the Board on February 12, 2015 at the Clearwater Building in Paramount.



Charlie Honeycutt, Secretary/Treasurer

2-12-15

Date