

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5A

**MINUTES OF THE GATEWAY WATER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
LOS ANGELES GATEWAY REGION
INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY
BOARD
AT PARAMOUNT, CALIFORNIA
THURSDAY, MAY 11, 2017**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Gateway Water Management Authority was held on Thursday, May 11, 2017 at 12:00 p.m. at the Progress Park Plaza, 15500 Downey Avenue, Paramount, CA 90723.

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

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chau Vu	Bell Gardens
Bernardo Iniguez (alternate)	Bellflower
Mike O'Grady (alternate)	Cerritos
Gina Nila	Commerce
Mohammad Mostahkami	Downey
Christina Dixon (alternate)	Huntington Park
Mark Stowell	La Mirada
Lisa Rapp	Lakewood
Christopher Garner	Long Beach Water Dept.
Sam Kouri	Montebello
Christopher Cash	Paramount
Gabriel Gomez (alternate)	Pico Rivera
Mark Grajeda	Pico Water District
Frank Beach (alternate)	Santa Fe Springs
Hannah Shin-Heydorn	Signal Hill
Gladis Deras (alternate)	South Gate
Claudia Arellano (alternate)	Vernon
Dave Schickling	Whittier
Esther Rojas	Water Replenishment District of Southern California

STAFF AND GUESTS ON SIGN-IN SHEET:

Grace Kast	Executive Officer
Toni Penn	Admin/Accounting Manager
Bibi Weiss	Office Assistant
Bill Minasian	Downey Resident
Richard Watson	Richard Watson & Associates
Russ Bryden	LACFCD
Matt Frary	LACFCD
Derwin Dy	City of Lakewood

ITEM 3 - ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

None.

ITEM 4 – ORAL COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

None.

ITEM 5 – CONSENT CALENDAR

Director Nila motioned to approve the consent calendar as presented. The motion was seconded by Director Grajeda and was approved by the following voice vote:

**AYES: VU, INIGUEZ, O’GRADY, NILA, MOSTAHKAMI, DIXON,
STOWELL, RAPP, GARNER, KOURI, CASH, GOMEZ,
GRAJEDA, BEACH, SHIN-HEYDORN, DERAS, ARELLANO,
SCHICKLING, ROJAS**

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

**ITEM 6 – APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 20177-4, A RESOLUTION OF THE
GATEWAY WATER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY “GWMA” RECOGNIZING AND
COMMENDING WILLIAM DE WITT**

Chair Cash presented Resolution No. 20177-4 to the Board recognizing and commending William De Witt for his outstanding leadership and service to the Gateway Water Management Authority.

Director Mostahkami motioned to approve Resolution No. 20177-4 recognizing and commending William De Witt. The motion was seconded by Director Rapp and was approved by the following voice vote:

**AYES: VU, INIGUEZ, O’GRADY, NILA, MOSTAHKAMI, DIXON,
STOWELL, RAPP, GARNER, KOURI, CASH, GOMEZ,
GRAJEDA, BEACH, SHIN-HEYDORN, DERAS, ARELLANO,
SCHICKLING, ROJAS**

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ITEM 7 – UPDATE ON WATER RESILIENCE PLAN

Ms. Kast introduced Russ Bryden from the LA County. Mr. Bryden updated the Board on the Water Resilience Plan.

ITEM 8 – GREATER LOS ANGELES COUNTY “GLAC” DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITY “DAC” COMMITTEE CHAIR AND DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PROGRAM “DACIP” TASK FORCE REPRESENTATIVE

Chair Cash reported that in September 2016, the Board approved Amendment No. 2 to the GK Consulting Professional Services Agreement for the Executive Officer to serve as the GLAC DAC Chair and RDCIP Representative in the amount not to exceed \$18,000. This cost was funded by GWMA initially in the amount of \$14,326 for services through March 2017, which would be reimbursed through the RDCIP Grant sometime during the FY2017/18. Moving forward, the cost for the Executive Officer to serve as the GLAC DAC Chair and RDCIP Representative was not eligible for Grant reimbursement.

The Members of the GLAC DAC Committee and the GWMA Executive Committee had expressed a desire for Ms. Kast to continue to serve as its Chair and Representative on the RDCIP Task Force.

Ms. Kast provided GWMA with a proposal to continue to serve as GLAC DAC Committee Chair and RDCIP Task Force Representative. Ms. Kast stated that this proposal was for services through the end of June 30, 2018 or at the discretion of the GLAC DAC and/or GWMA (whichever is sooner) and would be funded by GWMA.

Chair Cash recommended that the Board Approve Amendment No. 3 to the GK Consulting Professional Services Agreement for the Executive Officer to continue to serve as the GLAC DAC Chair and RDCIP Task Force Representative though June 30, 2018 in the amount not to exceed \$31,500.

Director Grajeda motioned to approve Amendment No. 3 to the GK Consulting Professional Services Agreement. The motion was seconded by Director Vu and was approved by the following voice vote:

**AYES: VU, INIGUEZ, O’GRADY, NILA, MOSTAHKAMI, DIXON,
STOWELL, RAPP, GARNER, KOURI, CASH, GOMEZ,
GRAJEDA, BEACH, SHIN-HEYDORN, DERAS, ARELLANO,
ROJAS**

NO: SCHICKLING

ABSTAIN: NONE

ITEM 9 – WORKSHOP FY 2017/18 GWMA ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET

Ms. Kast presented the budget for FY 2017/18 for GWMA's Administrative Budget. Ms. Kast went over the proposed budget in detail with the members of the Board and indicated that it would be brought back to the Board in June for approval.

ITEM 10 – GWMA'S ROLE IN WATERSHED GROUP IMPLEMENTATION GRANTS AND CONTRACTS

Ms. Kast reported on GWMA's involvement in the Watershed Group Implementation Grants and Contracts and stated that an agreement is expected sometime soon to present to the Board.

ITEM 11 – IRWMP ACTIVITIES AND UPDATE

Ms. Kast reported that GWMA received funding to develop an IRWM Plan in 2013 and indicated that no updates have been done since the adoption of this plan. She stated that now that GWMA was a member of the GLAC IRWM, Ms. Kast asked the Board if they wanted to update the GWMA IRWM Plan.

After general discussions, it was recommended that staff come back with a potential cost and time estimate.

ITEM 12 – GATEWAY REGION WATERSHED MANAGEMENT GROUPS

Lower Los Angeles River Upper Reach 2 Watershed Group

Director Vu reported that the City Attorney was reviewing the draft agreements between the Cities and GWMA and it should be submitted soon.

Director Nila reported that the WMP Chairs met with the Chair of the Regional Water Board to discuss Prop 1 funding.

Lower Los Angeles River Watershed Group

None.

Los Cerritos Channel Watershed Group

Director Iniguez reported that elections were held to elect their Chair and Co-Chair and stated that Ms. Konya Vivanti was elected as Chair, and Mr. Bernardo Iniguez was elected as Co-Chair.

Director Rapp reported that the contractor projected setting the modules in place for the 2nd phase for the storm trap reservoir on May 22nd.

Lower San Gabriel River Watershed Group

Director O'Grady reported that they did not meet last month, but were meeting next week.

ITEM 12 – EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

None.

ITEM 13 – DIRECTORS' COMMENTS/REPORT

None.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:28 PM.



Hannah Shin-Heydorn, Secretary/Treasurer

7/6/17
Date