

**MINUTES OF THE GATEWAY WATER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
LOS ANGELES GATEWAY REGION
INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY
BOARD
AT PARAMOUNT, CALIFORNIA
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2017**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Gateway Water Management Authority was held on Thursday, October 12, 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 12:04 p.m. Roll was called by Ms. Weiss and a quorum of the Board was declared.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Okina Dor	Artesia
Bill Pagett	Bell
Chau Vu	Bell Gardens
Mike O'Grady (alternate)	Cerritos
Gina Nila	Commerce
Mohammad Mostahkami	Downey
Christina Dixon (alternate)	Huntington Park
Mark Stowell	La Mirada
Konya Vivanti (alternate)	Lakewood
Melissa You	Long Beach
Sam Kouri (alternate)	Montebello
Adriana Figueroa	Norwalk
Christopher Cash	Paramount
Robert Delgadillo (alternate)	Pico Rivera
Frank Beach (alternate)	Santa Fe Springs
Kelli Tunnicliff	Signal Hill
Gladis Deras (alternate)	South Gate
Claudia Arellano (alternate)	Vernon
Dave Schickling	Whittier

STAFF AND GUESTS ON SIGN-IN SHEET:

Grace Kast	Executive Officer
Toni Penn	Admin/Accounting Manager
Bibi Weiss	Office Assistant
Steve Dorsey	Legal Counsel
Bill Minasian	Downey Resident
Desi Alvarez	MCM Management Co.
Charlie Honeycutt	Signal Hill
Mark Moss	Central Basin MWD
Dan Mueller	Downey

Russ Bryden

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ITEM 3 - ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

None.

ITEM 4 – ORAL COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

None.

Director Vu entered the meeting at 12:08 PM.

**ITEM 5 – RESILIENCY AND STORM WATER FUNDING UPDATE PRESENTATION
(RUSS BRYDEN)**

Mr. Russ Bryden, from the Los Angeles County Flood Control District, gave an oral presentation on the Resiliency and Storm Water Funding Plan. He updated the Board on the County's effort to reach out to the public and their anticipation of having the draft framework by March 2018 and a draft final plan within a year.

Mr. Bryden said he would like to come back to the GWMA Board and give periodic updates.

ITEM 6 – CONSENT CALENDAR

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

**AYES: VU, O'GRADY, NILA, DIXON, STOWELL, VIVANTI, YOU,
KOURI, CASH, DELGADILLO, BEACH, TUNNICLIFF,
ARELLANO, SCHICKLING**

NOES: NONE

**ABSTAIN: DOR, MOSTAHKAMI, PAGETT
FIGUEROA (MINUTES ONLY)**

ITEM 7 – DISCUSSION GWMA'S DRAFT RESERVE POLICY

Ms. Kast reported that the Reserve Policy had been presented at the September Board Meeting to solicit any input or questions from the Board.

Ms. Kast stated that it was now the recommendation of the staff that the Board approve GWMA's Reserve Policy as presented.

Director Nila motioned to approve GWMA's Reserve Policy as presented. The motion was seconded by Director Figueroa and was approved by the following voice vote:

AYES: DOR, PAGETT, VU, O'GRADY, NILA, MOSTAHKAMI, DIXON, STOWELL, VIVANTI, YOU, KOURI, FIGUEROA, CASH, DELGADILLO, BEACH, TUNNICLIFF, ARELLANO, SCHICKLING

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ITEM 8 – GWMA'S UPDATED ON-CALL CONSULTANT SERVICES LIST

Ms. Kast reported that an ad hoc Committee consisting of Directors Stowell, Grajeda, and Vu along with GWMA staff, held a conference call on September 26th to discuss, rank, select and recommend consultants for GWMA's updated list of pre-qualified consultants. She stated that the committee selected the top four (4) firms based upon specific skillsets and experience needed for the unique regional, multi-party needs of GWMA. She indicated that the four (4) selected firms were: Tetra Tech, Geosyntec Consultants, GEI Consultants, and Atkins Global.

Director Figueroa moved to approve GWMA's updated On-Call Consultant List as directed, contingent upon Legal Counsel's review of any requested changes on PSA. The motion was seconded by Director Cash. This motion failed due to lack of support.

Director Mostahkami motioned to move the vote to the next scheduled GWMA Board meeting in November and include the SOQ's received along with the PSA as attachments in the agenda packet. The motion was seconded by Director Schickling and was approved by the following voice vote:

AYES: VU, MOSTAHKAMI, DIXON, YOU, KOURI, DELGADILLO, BEACH, ARELLANO, SCHICKLING

NOES: PAGETT, O'GRADY, NILA, STOWELL, VIVANTI, FIGUEROA, CASH, TUNNICLIFF

ABSTAIN: DOR

ITEM 9 – CATCH BASIN CLEANING/MAINTENANCE BID PROCESS

Ms. Kast reported that on August 28, 2017, GWMA released a Notice Inviting Bids for Catch Basin Cleaning/Maintenance Services. She stated that the deadline to receive bids was set for September 21, 2017 at 12:00 PM. Ms. Kast stated that these sealed bids were opened at GWMA headquarters and that subsequent to the bid opening, GWMA received a bid protest letter from United Storm Water, Inc. Ms. Kast reported that this bid protest letter was regarding the types of licenses to conduct the work.

Ms. Kast stated that after thorough review by staff, legal counsel and engineers, staff was now recommending that all of the bids be rejected in order to conduct the entire process again. Ms. Kast stated that rather than a Notice Inviting Bids, staff was recommending a Request for Proposal process instead, since this work was for cleanup services only and would not require repair work. Ms. Kast requested that she be authorized to issue a 10-day Request for Proposal for catch basin cleaning.

Director Stowell motioned to authorize the Executive Officer to issue a 10-day Request for Proposal for catch basin cleaning. The motion was seconded by Director Schickling and was approved by the following voice vote:

**AYES: DOR, PAGETT, VU, O’GRADY, NILA, MOSTAHKAMI, DIXON,
STOWELL, VIVANTI, YOU, KOURI, FIGUEROA, CASH, BEACH,
TUNNICLIFF, ARELLANO, SCHICKLING**

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: DELGADILLO

ITEM 10 – GATEWAY IRWMP PLAN ORAL UPDATE

Director Deras entered the meeting at 12:50 PM.

Ms. Kast reported that the request to incorporate the Gateway IRWM Plan into the GLAC IRWM Plan and to expand the GLAC Boundary to include Catalina Island was approved on August 22, 2017 by the Department of Water Resources.

ITEM 11 – GATEWAY REGION WATERSHED MANAGEMENT GROUPS ORAL UPDATES

Lower Los Angeles River Upper Reach 2 Watershed Group

Director Nila reported that the Prop 1 draft grant agreement had been sent back to the State Water Board with comments and they were now waiting on a response.

Steve Dorsey, legal counsel for GWMA, stated that he was working on the subrecipient agreements.

Lower Los Angeles River Watershed Group

Director Deras reported that they would be having their bi-monthly meeting on October 23, 2017.

Los Cerritos Channel Watershed Group

Director Vivanti reported that they were collecting data for their annual report.

Lower San Gabriel River Watershed Group

Director Figueroa stated that there was nothing to report and they would be meeting next week.

Director Figueroa left the meeting at 1:08 PM.

ITEM 12 – EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT

Ms. Kast reported that there were still two cities that had not turned in their Resolutions for Appointing Board Members but were expected soon. Ms. Kast also informed all new Board Members/Alternates that they would be receiving an email from the Board of Supervisors to fill out Form 700’s for Assuming Office.

Ms. Kast updated the Board on the status of the GWMA Annual Membership Dues for FY2017/18, stating that two invoices were still outstanding.

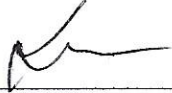
ITEM 13 – DIRECTORS’ COMMENTS/REPORT

Director Cash welcomed GWMA’s new Secretary/Treasurer Kelli Tunnicliff, from the City of Signal Hill.

Director Schickling recommended that GWMA Board Meetings be changed to meet bi-monthly instead of monthly. This was discussed among the Board and Director Mostahkami recommended that the item be agendaized and brought back to the board in November for consideration.

Director Vivanti invited the board to a Sewer Summit in the City of Lakewood on November 1, 2017.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:16 PM.



Kelli Tunnicliff, Secretary/Treasurer

10/12/2017

Date