

AGENDA ITEM: 5a

**MINUTES OF THE GATEWAY WATER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY  
LOS ANGELES GATEWAY REGION  
INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY  
BOARD  
AT PARAMOUNT, CALIFORNIA  
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2018**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Gateway Water Management Authority was held on Thursday, November 8, 2018 at 12:00 p.m. at the Progress Park Plaza, 15500 Downey Avenue, Paramount, CA.

Chair Lisa Rapp called the meeting to order at 12:11 p.m. Roll was called by Ms. Kast and a quorum of the Board was declared.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Okina Dor	Artesia
Jordan Monroe	Avalon
Robert Linton (alternate)	Bell
Chau Vu	Bell Gardens
Bernardo Iniguez (alternate)	Bellflower
Tammy Hierlihy	Central Basin MWD
Mike O'Grady (alternate)	Cerritos
Gina Nila	Commerce
Christina Dixon (alternate)	Huntington Park
Dan Mueller	Downey
Mark Stowell	La Mirada
Lisa Rapp	Lakewood
Melissa You	Long Beach
B. Anatole Falagan (alternate)	Long Beach Water Dept.
Julian Lee (alternate)	Norwalk
Adriana Figueroa	Paramount
Kenner Guerrero	Pico Rivera
Kelli Tunnicliff	Signal Hill
Claudia Arellano (alternate)	Vernon
Phuong Nguyen (alternate)	Whittie
Esther Rojas	Water Replenishment District

STAFF AND GUESTS ON SIGN-IN SHEET:

Grace Kast	Executive Officer
Traci Gleason	Administrative Manager
Kekoa Anderson	Koa Consulting
Bill Minasian	Downey Resident
Sara Huezo	Paramount Resident
Damian Roales	City of Norwalk

**ITEM 3- ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

None.

**ITEM 4 - ORAL COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD**

None.

**ITEM 5 - PRESENTATION: TAPPING INTO AVAILABLE CAPACITY IN EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURES TO CREATE WATER SUPPLY AND WATER QUALITY SOLUTIONS (DAVID PEDERSEN)**

Mr. David Pedersen, General Manager for Las Virgenes Municipal Water District provided a presentation regarding the District's first phase of their investigation of leveraging available capacity in the waste water treatment plants for treating urban runoff/stormwater (dry-weather flows and initial stormwater runoff containing highest concentration of pollutants) to generate a new source of recycled water.

Kelli Tunnicliff enter at 12:15 p.m.

Robert Linton enter at 12:19 p.m.

**ITEM 6 - CONSENT CALENDAR**

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

**AYES: Dor, Monroe, Linton, Vu, Iniguez, Hierlihy, O'Grady, Nila, Dixon, Stowell, You, Lee, Figueroa, Tunnicliff, Arellano, Nguyen**

**NOES: None.**

**ABSTAIN: Minutes Only - Mueller, Rapp, Falagan, Guerro, Rojas**

**ITEM 7 - STATUS REPORT UPDATE ON GWMA FUNDING STRATEGY AND GRANTS PROGRAM**

Mr. Kekoa Anderson, Koa Consulting, provided the Board with a status update on GWMA Funding Strategy and Grants Program ("Program"). As authorized by the board at the October GWMA Board Meeting, staff submitted RMC Proposition 1 Lower Los Angeles River Grant Applications on October 31st for the three following regional projects: John Anson Ford Park; LADWP Transmission Easement; and, LB-MUST Expansion.

Mr. Anderson further reported that on October 16th, RMC issued Proposition 1, Round 2, Grant Program Guidelines for projects within the RMC Territory. Funding available through this grant program is \$10.8 million. The deadline to apply for the grant is December 16, 2018. Successful applicants are anticipated to be notified by March 31, 2019. GWMA staff will submit

an email to the board members to ask if any of the members need GWMA to submit an application for the Round 2 solicitations on their behalf.

Director Chau Vu motioned to authorize staff to prepare and provide letters of support, if requested, to cities and agencies within the Gateway Region of Southeastern Los Angeles County who will be applying for the grant applications for Round 2, Proposition 1 RMC Grant Program. The motion was seconded by Director Adriana Figueroa and was approved by the following voice vote:

**AYES:** Dor, Monroe, Linton, Vu, Iniguez, Hierlihy, O’Grady, Nila, Dixon, Mueller, Stowell, Rapp, You, Falagan, Lee, Figueroa, Guerro Tunncliff, Arellano, Nguyen, Rojas

**NOES:** None.

**ABSTAIN:** None.

Mr. Anderson concluded his report by indicating that the 2018 IRWM Implementation Grant Program, draft guidelines and schedule have now been circulated and will soon be finalized. In July 2018, the Board approved up to 5 projects to be identified for inclusion in the Greater LA IRWM Implementation Grant cycle and for consideration to fund grant application costs, estimated to be approximately \$20k per project (if project proponent wishes to do so) through the engagement with LA County for the preparation and submittal of the grant applications. GWMA staff will send an email to the board members to inquire which agencies want their project to be considered for GWMA to submit the application.

Director Chau Vu motioned to receive and file the status report update on GWMA Funding Strategy & Grants Program. The motion was seconded by Director Adriana Figueroa and was approved by the following voice vote:

**AYES:** Dor, Monroe, Linton, Vu, Iniguez, Hierlihy, O’Grady, Nila, Dixon, Mueller, Stowell, Rapp, You, Falagan, Lee, Figueroa, Guerro Tunncliff, Arellano, Nguyen, Rojas

**NOES:** None.

**ABSTAIN:** None.

## **ITEM 8 – GATEWAY REGION WATERSHED MANAGEMENT GROUPS ORAL REPORT**

### **Lower Los Angeles River Upper Reach 2 Watershed Group**

Director Nila reported two applications were submitted by GWMA for two projects in LLAR UR2 Watershed. She also reported that they are in design for the John Anson Ford Project, Phase 1 and that an RFP had been issued for CEQA work

Lower Los Angeles River Watershed Group

None.

Los Cerritos Channel Watershed Group

Director Rapp reported the Boulevard Park Project is in the startup process. The challenges have been: 1) experiencing a large amount of sediment and debris to drop inlet structure, and trying to keep it out of the reservoir, and increasing the effort to maintain the pre-treatment system; and 2) the startup process for irrigation of the park which required them to apply for a permit from the health department, in which they are the first in LA County to treat and directly use water out of a channel for irrigation purposes. They have been working closely with the water resource department, health department, manufacturer of equipment, and consultants to prepare an alternative sampling plan to resubmit to the health department.

Lower San Gabriel River Watershed Group

Director O' Grady reported the next watershed meeting will be on November 15<sup>th</sup>.

**ITEM 9 – EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S ORAL REPORT**

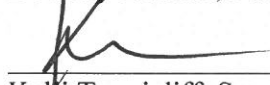
None.

**ITEM 10 – DIRECTORS' ORAL COMMENTS/REPORT**

Director Dor requested that the Membership Ad-Hoc committee convene to re-evaluate the membership dues policy. After discussion, the following members were appointed to serve on the Membership Ad-Hoc committee: Directors Dor, Figueroa, Rapp, Linton. The Executive Officer will coordinate the conference meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:03 p.m.

The next Board Meeting of the Directors of the Gateway Water Management Authority will be on Thursday, December 13, 2018 at 12:00 p.m. at the Progress Park Plaza, 15500 Downey Avenue, Paramount, CA.

  
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Kelli Tunnicliff, Secretary/Treasurer

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