

**MINUTES OF THE GATEWAY WATER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
LOS ANGELES GATEWAY REGION
INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY
BOARD
AT PARAMOUNT, CALIFORNIA
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2018**

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Gateway Water Management Authority was held on Thursday, October 11, 2018 at 12:00 p.m. at the Progress Park Plaza, 15500 Downey Avenue, Paramount, CA.

Vice Chair Adriana Figueroa called the meeting to order at 12:05 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
Tammy Hierlihy	Central Basin MWD
Mike O'Grady (alternate)	Cerritos
Gina Nila	Commerce
Christina Dixon (alternate)	Huntington Park
Mark Stowell	La Mirada
Konya Vivanti (alternate)	Lakewood
Alvin Papa	Long Beach
Cecilia Amaya	Montebello
Julian Lee (alternate)	Norwalk
Adriana Figueroa	Paramount
Mark Grajeda	Pico Water District
Kelli Tunnichliff	Signal Hill
Gladis Deras (alternate)	South Gate
Claudia Arellano (alternate)	Vernon
Phuong Nguyen (alternate)	Whittier

STAFF AND GUESTS ON SIGN-IN SHEET:

Grace Kast	Executive Officer
Traci Gleason	Administrative Manager
Kekoa Anderson	Koa Consulting
Bill Minasian	Downey Resident

ITEM 3 - ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

None.

ITEM 4 - ORAL COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

None.

ITEM 5 - CONSENT CALENDAR

Director Mike O'Grady motioned to approve the consent calendar as presented. The motion was seconded by Director Noe Negrete and was approved by the following voice vote:

**AYES: DOR, MONROE, LINTON, VU, O'GRADY, NILA, DIXON,
VIVANTI, LEE, NEGRETE, DERAS, ARELLANO**

NOES: NONE

**ABSTAIN: MINUTES ONLY – HIERLIHY, STOWELL, PAPA, AMAYA,
FIGUEORA, NGUYEN**

**ITEM 6 - 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"). The Rivers and Mountains Conservancy Lower Los Angeles River Proposition 1 Grant final guidelines were issued. Request for grants will be accepted on an on-going basis until all funding is expended. Grant recommendations will be brought to the RMC Board starting January 2019. Grant applications submitted by October 31st will be evaluated and considered for recommendation at the January board meeting. Based on the Integration Program, the Gateway Cities Council of Governments and GWMA Joint Committee have prioritized and identified for the October 31st submission, three projects that would optimize the benefits to the Gateway Region. They are: John Anson Ford Park Project, Los Angeles Department of Water and Power Transmission Easement Project, and the Long Beach Municipal Urban Stormwater Treatment (LB-MUST) Project.

Director Tunnicliff entered at 12:14 p.m.

Director Grajeda entered at 12:18 p.m.

Director Nila moved to:

- a) Authorize staff to develop and sign letters of support for the following three regional projects for the RMC Proposition 1 Lower Los Angeles River Grant Applications: John Anson Ford Park; LADWP Transmission Easement; and, LB-MUST Expansion.
- b) Authorize staff to submit the RMC Proposition 1 Lower Los Angeles River Grant Applications for the three following regional projects, and administer the grants if

successfully awarded: John Anson Ford Park; LADWP Transmission Easement; and, LB-MUST Expansion.

- c) Authorize staff to provide letters of support to cities and agencies within the Gateway region of Southeastern Los Angeles County who will be applying for the grant independently.
- d) Authorize the Vice Chair to execute a resolution, drafted by GWMA staff, providing authorization to designate a representative to apply, receive and manage the grant for the following projects, if successfully awarded the grant: John Anson Ford Park; LADWP Transmission Easement; and, LB-MUST Expansion.

The motion was seconded by Director O'Grady and was approved by the following voice vote:

AYES: DOR, MONROE, LINTON, VU, HIERLIHY, O'GRADY, NILA, DIXON, STOWELL, VIVANTI, PAPA, AMAYA, LEE, FIGUEROA, GREJADA, NEGRETE, TUNICLIFF, DERAS, ARELLANO, NGUYEN

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ITEM 7 – GATEWAY REGION WATERSHED MANAGEMENT GROUPS ORAL REPORT

Lower Los Angeles River Upper Reach 2 Watershed Group

Upcoming meeting is October 22, 2018.

Lower Los Angeles River Watershed Group

Upcoming meeting is on October 22, 2018.

Los Cerritos Channel Watershed Group

Upcoming meeting is on October 18, 2018.

Lower San Gabriel River Watershed Group

Tetra Tech was awarded a contract for the El Dorado Regional Park.

**ITEM 8 – REQUEST TO WITHDRAW MEMBERSHIP FROM GATEWAY WATER
MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY – PICO WATER DISTRICT (ENCLOSURE)**

Vice Chair Figueroa moved to accept Pico Water District's request to withdraw its membership and authorize the Executive Officer and the Executive Committee (Chair, Vice-Chair and Treasurer) to prepare a letter agreement to accept a pro-rated amount of Pico Water District's membership dues assessment, in the amount of \$5000. The Board expressed its belief that this action would not set a precedent for future member withdrawals because it involved unique circumstances. The Board wished to remind its members that withdrawals must be made prior to or within 30 days of adoption of GWMA's annual dues for a particular fiscal year in order to avoid paying such dues for that fiscal year.

The motion was seconded by Director Nila and was approved by the following voice vote:

AYES: DOR, MONROE, LINTON, VU, HIERLIHY, O'GRADY, NILA, DIXON, STOWELL, VIVANTI, PAPA, AMAYA, LEE, FIGUEROA, GREJADA, NEGRETE, TUNICLIFF, DERAS, ARELLANO, NGUYEN

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

**ITEM 9 - CLOSED SESSION – CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-
ANTICIPATED LITIGATION. INITIATION OF LITIGATION PURSUANT
TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(D)(4). NUMBER OF CASES: 1**

No reportable action.

ITEM 10 – EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S ORAL REPORT

None.

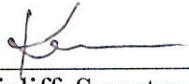
ITEM 11 – DIRECTORS' ORAL COMMENTS/REPORT

None.

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The meeting was adjourned at 1:36 p.m.

The next Board Meeting of the Directors of the Gateway Water Management Authority will be on Thursday, November 8, 2018 at 12:00 p.m. at the Progress Park Plaza, 15500 Downey Avenue, Paramount, CA.



Kelli Tunnichliff, Secretary/Treasurer

11/8/18
Date