



Santa Clara Valley Water District Board of Directors Meeting

HQ. Bldg. Boardroom, 5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, California
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***AMENDED/APPENDED CLOSED SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

**Tuesday, March 10, 2026
11:00 AM**

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District Mission: Provide Silicon Valley safe, clean water for a healthy life, environment and economy.

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1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:

1.1. Roll Call.

2. 11:00 AM - CLOSED SESSION:

Notice to the Public: The Board of Directors meets in Closed Session in accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act. Following the conclusion of Closed Session discussion, the Board will return for the remaining items on the regular meeting agenda.

*2.1. CLOSED SESSION

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - Anticipated Litigation
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)
Number of cases: multiple

[26-0272](#)

*2.2. CLOSED SESSION

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b)(1)
Title: Chief Executive Officer

[26-0273](#)

*2.3. District Counsel Report on Closed Session.

3. 1:00 PM - TIME CERTAIN:

3.1. Pledge of Allegiance/National Anthem.

3.2. Orders of the Day.

*A. Approximate Discussion Time (Board); and
B. Adjustments to the Order of Agenda Items.*

3.3. Time Open for Public Comment on any Item not on the Agenda.

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All public comments requiring a response will be referred to staff for a written reply. The Board/Committee may take action on any item of business appearing on the posted agenda.

- *3.4. Authorize Distribution of Santa Clara Valley Water District's Capital Improvement Program Draft Fiscal Years 2027-31 Five-Year Plan. [25-0694](#)

Recommendation: A. Review the Capital Improvement Program Draft Fiscal Years 2027-31 Five-Year Plan; and
 B. Authorize release of the document to all cities and land use authorities in Santa Clara County and the County of Santa Clara for review as to its consistency with their General Plans.

Manager: Luz Penilla, 408-630-2228

Attachments: [*Attachment 1: CIP Draft FY 2027-31 Five-Year Plan](#)
[Attachment 2: Project Plan Updates](#)
[Attachment 3: PowerPoint](#)

Est. Staff Time: 25 Minutes.

- 3.5. Receive the Fiscal Year 2026-27 Second Pass Biennial Budget Overview. [26-0195](#)

Recommendation: Receive and discuss the overview of the Santa Clara Valley Water District's Fiscal Year 2026-27 Second Pass Biennial Budget.

Manager: Darin Taylor, 408-630-3068

Attachments: [Attachment 1: PowerPoint](#)
[Attachment 2: Draft Operating Project Details](#)

Est. Staff Time: 20 Minutes.

- 3.6. Receive the Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program [26-0218](#)

Independent Monitoring Committee's Annual Report for Fiscal Year
2024-2025.

Recommendation: Receive the Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program Independent Monitoring Committee's Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2024-2025.

Manager: Luz Penilla, 408-630-2228

Attachments: [Attachment 1: Letter to the Board](#)
[Attachment 2: IMC Annual Report](#)
[Attachment 3: Notes for Future Annual Reports](#)

Est. Staff Time: 10 Minutes.

REGULAR AGENDA:

4. CONSENT CALENDAR: (4.1 - *4.6) (Est. Time: 5 Minutes)

Notice to the public: There is no separate discussion of individual consent calendar items. Recommended actions are voted on in one motion. If an item is approved on the consent vote, the specific action recommended by staff is adopted. Items listed in this section of the agenda are considered to be routine by the Board, or delegated to the Board Appointed Officers (BAOs) yet required by law or contract to be Board approved (EL-7.10). Any item may be removed for separate consideration at the request of a Board member. Whenever a resolution is on the consent calendar, a roll call vote will be taken on the entire calendar. Members of the public wishing to address the Board on any consent items may do so by filling out a Speaker Card and submitting it to the Clerk or using the "Raise Hand" tool located in the Zoom meeting application to identify themselves to speak.

- 4.1. Adopt a Resolution Commemorating March 8-14, 2026 as Groundwater Awareness Week. [26-0205](#)

Recommendation: Adopt the Resolution COMMEMORATING MARCH 8-14, 2026 AS GROUNDWATER AWARENESS WEEK.

Manager: Greg Williams, 408-630-2867

Attachments: [Attachment 1: Resolution](#)

- 4.2. Approve and Execute Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. A5101G with TruePoint Solutions, LLC., d/b/a GovPath, for the Utility Billing System Selection and Implementation Services Project, Increasing the Not-to-Exceed Fee by \$64,750 for a Total Revised Not-to-Exceed Fee of \$517,275 and Extending the Term to December 31, 2026. [26-0188](#)

Recommendation: Approve and execute Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. A5101G with TruePoint Solutions, LLC, doing business as GovPath, for our Utility Billing System Selection &

Implementation Services Project, increasing the not-to-exceed (NTE) fee by \$64,750 for a total revised NTE fee of \$517,275 and extending the term two months, to December 31, 2026.

Manager: Darin Taylor, 408-630-3068

Attachments: [Attachment A: Gov. Code § 84308](#)
[Attachment 1: Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. A5101G](#)
[Attachment 2: Original Agreement](#)

- 4.3. Approve the Board of Directors' Quarterly Expense Report for the Quarter Ending December 31, 2025. [26-0181](#)

Recommendation: A. Review the Board of Directors' Quarterly Expense Report for the quarter ending December 31, 2025; and
B. Approve the Report if the reimbursements comply with Board Policy.

Manager: Darin Taylor, 408-630-3068

Attachments: [Attachment 1: Quarterly Expense Report](#)

- 4.4. Accept Management Response to the Independent Monitoring Committee Report on the Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2024-2025. [26-0219](#)

Recommendation: A. Accept Management Response to the Independent Monitoring Committee Report on the Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2024-2025; and
B. Provide additional direction as necessary.

Manager: Luz Penilla, 408-630-2228

Attachments: [Attachment 1: Management Response Table](#)

- *4.5. Approval of Minutes from February 10, and February 20, 2026. [26-0080](#)

Recommendation: Approve the minutes from February 10, and February 20, 2026.

Manager: Candice Kwok-Smith, 408-630-3193

Attachments: [Attachment 1: 02/10/2026 Meeting Minutes](#)
[Attachment 2: 02/20/2026 Special Meeting Minutes](#)

- *4.6. Accept the CEO Bulletin for the Weeks of February 20 Through March 5, 2026. [26-0248](#)

Recommendation: Accept the CEO Bulletin.

Manager: Melanie Richardson, 408-630-2017

Attachments: [Attachment 1: 03052026 CEO Bulletin](#)

5. BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

*5.1. Board Committee Reports.

[26-0250](#)

Attachments: [*Handout 5.1-A: 12152025 CIP Meeting Summary](#)
[*Handout 5.1-B: 01052026 AWAC Meeting Summary](#)
[*Handout 5.1-C: 01202026 ECCC Meeting Summary](#)
[*Handout 5.1-D: 01262026 EWRC Meeting Summary](#)
[*Handout 5.1-E: 01282026 SCVWD WC Meeting Summary](#)
[*Handout 5.1-F: 01282026 YC Meeting Summary](#)
[*Handout 5.1-G: 01292026 IMC Meeting Summary](#)
[*Handout 5.1-H: 02092026 BPMC Meeting Summary](#)
[*Handout 5.1-I: 02182026 IMC Meeting Summary](#)
[*Handout 5.1-J: 03122026 SPOC Agenda](#)

Est. Staff Time: 5 Minutes.

6. WATER UTILITY ENTERPRISE:

6.1. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to Negotiate and Execute a Rate Agreement with the Power and Water Resources Pooling Authority for Development of the Almaden Campus Solar Carport 2 Project, at a Not-to-Exceed Rate of \$203 Per Megawatt-Hour with 2% Annual Rate Escalation (San Jose, District 4).

[26-0050](#)

Recommendation: Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute a Rate Agreement with the Power and Water Resources Pooling Authority for the development of the Almaden Campus Solar Carport 2 Project at a not-to-exceed rate of \$203 per megawatt-hour in year one (1), with 2% annual rate escalation.

Manager: Sam Bogale, 408-630-3505

Attachments: [Attachment 1: PowerPoint](#)

Est. Staff Time: 5 Minutes.

7. WATERSHEDS:

8. ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER:

9. EXTERNAL AFFAIRS:

10. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER:

*10.1 CEO and Chiefs' Reports.

[26-0249](#)

Attachments: [*Handout 10.1-A: OCE Monthly Report](#)

Est. Staff Time: 5 Minutes.

11. ADMINISTRATION:

12. DISTRICT COUNSEL:

13. BOARD POLICY PLANNING CALENDAR/PROPOSED FUTURE BOARD AGENDA ITEMS:

*13.1 Review the Fiscal Year 2026 Board Policy Planning Calendar.

[25-0918](#)

Recommendation: Review the Fiscal Year 2026 Board Policy Planning Calendar.

Manager: Candice Kwok-Smith, 408-630-3139

Attachments: [*Attachment 1: FY26 Board Calendar](#)

Est. Staff Time: 5 Minutes.

14. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

15. CLERK REVIEW AND CLARIFICATION OF BOARD REQUESTS:

16. ADJOURN:

16.1 The Board will convene for the next Regular meeting at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 24, 2026, in the Santa Clara Valley Water District Headquarters Building Boardroom, 5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, California, and via Zoom teleconference.