



## Santa Clara Valley Water District Board of Directors

HQ. Bldg. Boardroom, 5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, California  
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### REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA

**Tuesday, May 12, 2026  
1:00 PM**

**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. 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.*

**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. Conduct a Public Hearing to Consider the Santa Clara Valley Water District's Capital Improvement Program Draft Fiscal Years 2027-31 Five-Year Plan and Adopt a Resolution Approving the Capital Improvement Program Final Fiscal Years 2027-2031 Five-Year Plan. (Continued from April 29, 2026) [25-0696](#)

- Recommendation:
- A. Conduct the continued Public Hearing from April 29, 2026, to receive public comments and Board feedback regarding the Santa Clara Valley Water District's Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Draft Fiscal Years (FY) 2027-2031 Five-Year Plan;
  - B. Close the Public Hearing;
  - C. Direct staff to incorporate the identified changes to the CIP Draft FY 2027-2031 Five-Year Plan and finalize the FY 2027-2031 Five-Year Plan by June 30, 2025; and
  - D. Adopt the Resolution APPROVING THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FISCAL YEARS 2027-2031 FIVE-YEAR PLAN.

Manager: Luz Penilla, 408-630-2228

Attachments: [Attachment 1: Draft FY27-31 Five-Year Plan](#)  
[Attachment 2: Agency Letters of Support](#)  
[Attachment 3: Project Plan Updates](#)  
[Attachment 4: Final CIP Financial Overview](#)  
[Attachment 5: Market Study Report](#)  
[Attachment 6: Resolution](#)  
[Attachment 7: PowerPoint](#)  
[Handout 3.4-A: City of Santa Clara Letter of Support](#)

Est. Staff Time: 10 Minutes

- 3.5. Adopt Resolutions Setting Increased Groundwater Production, Raw [26-0371](#)

Surface Water, Treated Water, and South County Recycled Water  
Charges for Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

- Recommendation:
- A. Adopt the Resolution DETERMINING GROUNDWATER PRODUCTION CHARGES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027; and
  - B. Adopt the Resolution DETERMINING RAW SURFACE WATER, TREATED WATER, AND SOUTH COUNTY RECYCLED WATER CHARGES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027.

Manager: Aaron Baker, 408-630-2135

Attachments: [Attachment 1: Resolution, Groundwater](#)  
[Attachment 2: Resolution, Surface Water](#)  
[Handout 3.5-A: Councilmember Candelas](#)

Est. Staff Time: 5 Minutes

- 3.6. Accept the Fiscal Year 2026-27 Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Special Tax Summary Report; and Adopt a Resolution Providing for Levy of the Special Tax Rates and Authorizing a Procedure for Correcting Special Tax Amounts for Fiscal Year 2026-2027. [25-0877](#)

Recommendation: Enter Recommendation.

- A. Accept the Fiscal Year 2026-27 Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Special Tax Summary Report; and
- B. Adopt the Resolution PROVIDING FOR LEVY OF THE SPECIAL TAX PURSUANT TO THE SAFE, CLEAN WATER AND NATURAL FLOOD PROTECTION MEASURE IN THE COMBINED FLOOD CONTROL ZONE OF THE SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT AND AUTHORIZING A PROCEDURE FOR CORRECTING SPECIAL TAX AMOUNTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027.

Manager: Christopher Hakes, 408-630-3796

Attachments: [Attachment 1: Staff Report](#)  
[Attachment 2: Resolution](#)  
[Attachment 3: Summary of Key Performance Indicators](#)

Est. Staff Time: 5 Minutes

- 3.7. Conduct a Public Hearing on the Annual Report Recommending Flood Control Benefit Assessments and Adopt a Resolution Setting Benefit Assessment Revenue for Fiscal Year 2026-2027. [25-0879](#)

Recommendation: A. Open and conduct the Public Hearing to consider any comments regarding the Flood Control Benefit Assessments for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 (FY 2026-27);

- B. Close the Public Hearing; and
- C. Adopt the Resolution ESTABLISHING LAND USE CATEGORIES, CONFIRMING A LEVY OF BENEFIT ASSESSMENTS TO MEET DULY AUTHORIZED DEBT OBLIGATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 IN FLOOD CONTROL ZONES OF SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH RESOLUTION NOS. 86-54, 86-55, 86-56, 86-57, AND 90-7, AND AUTHORIZING A PROCEDURE FOR CORRECTING ASSESSMENTS.

Manager: Chris Hakes, 408-630-3796

Attachments: [Attachment 1: Staff Report](#)  
[Attachment 2: Resolution](#)  
[Attachment 3: Benefit Assessment Report](#)

Est. Staff Time: 10 Minutes

- 3.8. Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Water System Refunding Bonds, Revenue Bonds, Refunding Notes, and Revenue Notes in an Aggregate Not-to-Exceed Amount of \$600 Million to Finance Certain Costs of the Water Utility Enterprise, and Approving the Execution and Delivery of Certain Documents and Certain Acts In Connection Therewith; Adopt Resolutions Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes to Support Short-Term Obligations; and Adopt Resolutions of Intention to Issue Tax-Exempt Obligations for the Water Utility Enterprise, Safe, Clean Water Program, and Watershed and Stream Stewardship Projects. [26-0246](#)

- Recommendation:
- A. Adopt the Resolution authorizing the issuance of WATER SYSTEM Refunding Revenue Bonds, Revenue Bonds, REFUNDING NOTES, AND REVENUE NOTES, AND approving the execution and delivery of certain documents and certain acts in connection therewith;
  - B. Adopt the Resolution AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A TAX-EXEMPT TAX AND REVENUE ANTICIPATION NOTE AND A TAXABLE TAX AND REVENUE ANTICIPATION NOTE to support short-term obligations;
  - C. Adopt the Resolution AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A TAX-EXEMPT TAX AND REVENUE ANTICIPATION NOTE NO. 2 to support short-term obligations;
  - D. Adopt the Resolution INTENTION TO ISSUE TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS FOR WATER UTILITY ENTERPRISE;
  - E. Adopt the Resolution INTENTION TO ISSUE TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS FOR SAFE, CLEAN WATER AND NATURAL FLOOD PROTECTION AND

WATERSHED AND STREAM STEWARDSHIP PROGRAMS;

- F. Authorize the Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, or their designees, to execute the Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes and the Certificates as to uncollected taxes, income, revenue, cash receipts and other money;
- G. Authorize the District Counsel, or their designee, to approve as to form the Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes; and
- H. Authorize and direct the Chief Executive Officer, Chief Financial Officer, or their designees, and such other officers and staff of the Santa Clara Valley Water District, acting singly, to do any and all things to execute and deliver any and all documents which such officers may deem necessary or advisable in order to consummate the sale and delivery of the Refunding Revenue Bonds, Revenue Bonds, Refunding Notes, and Revenue Notes, and the ongoing administration thereof.

Manager: Darin Taylor, 408-630-3068

Attachments: [Attachment 1: Resolution, Water System](#)  
[Attachment 2: Resolution, FY27 TRANs](#)  
[Attachment 3: Resolution, FY26 TRAN No. 2](#)  
[Attachment 4: Resolution, WU](#)  
[Attachment 5: Resolution, SCW/WS](#)  
[Attachment 6: Financing Documents, Series 2026AB](#)  
[Attachment 7: Financing Documents, Series 2026C](#)  
[Attachment 8: Financing Document, Notice of Sale](#)  
[Attachment 9: Financing Document, Purified Water](#)  
[Attachment 10: Debt Management Policy](#)

Est. Staff Time: 15 Minutes

- 3.9. Adopt a Resolution Approving and Adopting the Fiscal Year 2026-27 Operating and Capital Rolling Biennial Budget and Providing for Levy of Ad-Valorem Property Taxes; and Approve the Santa Clara Valley Water District Reserve Policy. [26-0351](#)

- Recommendation:
- A. Adopt the Resolution APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE OPERATING AND CAPITAL ROLLING BIENNIAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027;
  - B. Adopt the Resolution PROVIDING FOR A LEVY OF AD VALOREM REAL PROPERTY TAXES IN FISCAL YEAR 2026-27 TO MEET THE COST OF ITS WATER SUPPLY CONTRACT WITH THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA;
  - C. Approve the second fiscal year of the rolling biennial

- budget, referred to as the Fiscal Year 2027-28 Plan; and  
D. Approve the Santa Clara Valley Water District Reserve Policy.

Manager: Darin Taylor, 408-630-3068  
Est. Staff Time: 15 Minutes

**REGULAR AGENDA:**

**4. CONSENT CALENDAR: (4.1 - 4.5) (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 Delegating Authority to Deposit and Invest Funds to the Treasurer or Their Designees, Approve the Board Investment Policy, and Authorize the Negotiation and Execution of Agreements with Investment Management Service Providers. [25-1064](#)

Recommendation: A. Adopt the Resolution DELEGATING AUTHORITY TO DEPOSIT AND INVEST FUNDS TO THE TREASURER OR THEIR DESIGNEES;  
B. Approve the Board Investment Policy; and  
C. Authorize sole source procurement with SymPro and Bloomberg for investment-related services for five years in a combined amount not to exceed \$100,000 annually.

Manager: Darin Taylor, 408-630-3068

Attachments: [Attachment 1: Resolution](#)  
[Attachment 2: FY 2026-27 Board Investment Policy](#)

- 4.2. Adopt a Resolution Proclaiming May 17-23, 2026 as National Public Works Week. [26-0366](#)

Recommendation: Adopt the Resolution PROCLAIMING MAY 17-23, 2026, AS NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK.

Manager: Rita Chan, 408-630-2620

Attachments: [Attachment 1: Resolution](#)  
[Attachment 2: Poster](#)

- 4.3. Adopt a Resolution Declaring May 16, 2026, as National River Cleanup Day in Santa Clara County. [26-0434](#)

Recommendation: Adopt the Resolution DECLARING MAY 16, 2026, AS NATIONAL RIVER CLEANUP DAY IN SANTA CLARA COUNTY.

Manager: Rachael Gibson, (408) 630-2884

Attachments: [Attachment 1: Resolution](#)

- 4.4. Approve the Submission of Ballots Approving the Proposed Mosquito, Vector and Disease Control Assessment from the Santa Clara County Mosquito and Vector Control District. [26-0367](#)

Recommendation: Approve a “Yes” vote for the proposed Mosquito, Vector and Disease Control assessment and direct staff to return the completed ballots before the voting period closes.

Manager: Joshua Golka, 408-630-4508

Attachments: [Attachment 1: Example Ballot](#)

- 4.5. Accept the Work as Complete and Direct the Clerk to File the Notice of Completion of Contract and Acceptance of Work for the Lower Calera Creek Flood Protection Project, Stage 2 (Milestones 2-4), Granite Construction Company, Contractor, Project No. 40174005, Contract No. C0666-1 (Milpitas, District 3). [26-0223](#)

Recommendation: A. Accept the work on the Lower Calera Creek Flood Protection Project, Stage 2 (Milestones 2-4), Project No. 40174005, Contract No. C0666-1 as complete; and  
B. Direct the Clerk of the Board to sign the Notice of Completion of Contract and Acceptance of Work and submit for recording to the Santa Clara County Clerk-Recorder.

Manager: Bhavani Yerrapotu, 408-630-2735

Attachments: [Attachment 1: NOCAW](#)  
[Attachment 2: Construction Contract Acceptance](#)  
[Attachment 3: Project Completion Letter](#)  
[Attachment 4: Construction Photos](#)  
[Attachment 5: Project Delivery Process Chart](#)

## 5. BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

5.1. Board Committee Reports.

**6. WATER UTILITY ENTERPRISE:**

**7. WATERSHEDS:**

7.1. Approve the Agreements with Five Consultant Firms to Provide On-Call Environmental Planning and Permitting Services: Dudek, Agreement No. A5710A; Environmental Science Associates, Agreement No. A5711A; GEI Consultants, Inc. Agreement No. A5712A; Panorama Environmental, Inc., Agreement No. A5713A; and Rincon Consultants, Inc., Agreement No. A5714A, PlanetBids File No.VW0594, for a Not-To-Exceed Fee of \$3,000,000 for Each Agreement. [26-0258](#)

- Recommendation:
- A. Approve Agreement No. A5710A, with Dudek, for On-Call Environmental Planning and Permitting Services for a Total Not-to-Exceed fee of \$3,000,000;
  - B. Approve Agreement No. A5711A, with Environmental Science Associates for On-Call Environmental Planning and Permitting Services for a Total Not-to-Exceed fee of \$3,000,000;
  - C. Approve Agreement No. A5712A, with GEI Consultants, Inc., for On-Call Environmental Planning and Permitting Services for a Total Not-to-Exceed fee of \$3,000,000;
  - D. Approve Agreement No. A5713A, with Panorama Environmental, Inc., for On-Call Environmental Planning and Permitting Services for a Total Not-to-Exceed fee of \$3,000,000; and
  - E. Approve Agreement No. A5714A, with Rincon Consultants, Inc., for On-Call Environmental Planning and Permitting Services for a Total Not-to-Exceed fee of \$3,000,000.

Manager: John Bourgeois, 408-630-2990

Attachments: [Attachment A: Government Code §84308](#)  
[Attachment 1: Agreement, Dudek](#)  
[Attachment 2: Agreement, Environmental Science Associates](#)  
[Attachment 3: Agreement, GEI Consultants, Inc.](#)  
[Attachment 4: Agreement, Panorama Environmental, Inc.](#)  
[Attachment 5: Agreement, Rincon Consultants, Inc.](#)

Est. Staff Time: 5 Minutes.

**8. ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER:**

**9. EXTERNAL AFFAIRS:**

**10. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER:**

- 10.1. Adopt a Resolution Approving the Updated Benefits for Unclassified Employees in the Executive Service. (Continued from April 28, 2026)

[26-0461](#)

Recommendation: Adopt the Resolution APPROVING BENEFITS FOR UNCLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES IN THE EXECUTIVE SERVICE (January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2029).

Manager: Patrice McElroy, 408-630-3159

Attachments: [Attachment 1: Resolution](#)

Est. Staff Time: 5 Minutes.

- 10.2. CEO and Chiefs' Report.

**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.

**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, May 26, 2026, in the Santa Clara Valley Water District Headquarters Building Boardroom, 5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, California, and via Zoom teleconference.