



MEMORANDUM

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TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Recycled Water Committee

SUBJECT: 03/23/2022 RWC Meeting Summary

DATE: May 10, 2022

This memorandum summarizes the Recycled Water Committee (Committee) meeting held on March 23, 2022. Chairperson Tony Estremera, and Committee Members Richard Santos and Barbara Keegan were present, constituting a quorum of the Committee.

3.1 Approval of Minutes.

The Committee unanimously approved the Minutes of the February 1, 2022, meeting.

4.1 Update on Purified Water Program Implementation including Partnership with Cities of San Jose and Palo Alto.

The Committee was informed about continued development of agreements that are required to proceed with the P3 project and continued working with agencies and property owners along the pipeline route. The Committee was informed that the Palo Alto council study session scheduled for February was postponed, and at this time, there is not a new scheduled date. The Committee was also informed on continued discussions with the City of San Jose on a potential second purified water project as well as approval of the staff reimbursement agreement.

The Committee was also informed about a briefing with P3 short listed respondents on the development of technical requirements and status of the RFP. In addition, the Committee were informed about information presented to the Capital Improvement Program Committee on new agreements and amendment to existing agreements related to the Purified Water Program. With regard to outreach, the Committee was informed that public and private virtual tours continued to various organizations, as well as to pipeline route cities, to promote the Silicon Valley Advanced Water Purification Center (SVAWPC) and potable water reuse. A Well Control Zone public meeting attended by four people occurred early March on the restriction of drinking wells near recharge ponds.

Ms. Melanie Richardson, Assistant Chief Executive Officer, added that Mr. Ed Shikada, City of Palo Alto Manager, had suggested an inter-agency workshop on funding issues, and that a letter from the Cities of Palo Alto and Mountain View could be forthcoming to address this matter.

The Committee noted the information, without taking formal action.

4.2 Joint Recycled Water Policy Advisory Committee (City of San Jose/Valley Water/City of Santa Clara-TPAC) Meeting tentatively scheduled for April 21, 2022.

The Committee was informed that item for discussion at the April 21, 2022 JRWPAC meeting would be the approval of the FY 2023 annual budgets of the South Bay Water Recycling and the SVAWPC.

The Committee noted the information, without taking formal action.

4.3 South Santa Clara County Water Reuse Collaboration.

The Committee was provided information on the background of the Technical Working Group (TWG) from the August 2021 recommendation of the Joint Water Resource Committee in order to evaluate opportunities/constraints of developing a comprehensive water reuse agreement; consistent water reuse terms and conditions countywide; provisions for advance water reuse, purified water production, distribution and wholesaling; and cost sharing accord to integrate water conservation, reuse, and supply. The Committee was provided an update of TWG activities since December 2021. Staff noted their intent to provide quarterly updates and receive feedback from the Committee on these discussions. Staff presented a brief overview of TWC activities since September 2021, followed by a more in-depth review of actions between January and March 2022. In addition, the Committee was informed about TWG's efforts to examine the 1999 and 2006 Producer-Wholesaler Agreements that could lead to separate agreements initially, and eventually one comprehensive agreement.

The Committee noted the information, without taking formal action.

4.4 Discuss the 2022 Recycled Water Committee Work Plan, Upcoming Discussion Items, and Next Meeting Date.

The Committee noted the items contained in the revised 2022 Work Plan for future agendas and requested to add the following item:

- Staff to bring information on desalination to the full Board, and add desalination in the Committee's work plan. Subsequently, staff started developing an agenda on desalination for the May 10, 2022 regular Board meeting.
- Staff to provide Director Keegan before the next Recycled Water Committee (RWC) meeting an update on topics for discussion to keep up with knowledge already known to other Committee members. Subsequently, a meeting among staff and Director Keegan had been setup.
- Staff to reschedule the regular meeting on April 27, 2022 to accommodate availability of all Committee members. Subsequently, after this meeting, the April 27, 2022 RWC meeting was cancelled per instruction by the Chair.

5.1 Chairperson Estremera adjourned the meeting at 12:30 p.m., to the next regular meeting on April 27, 2022.

The next RWC meeting would be 12:00 p.m. on May 25, 2022 as approved by the Chair in response to staff recommendation to cancel the April 27, 2022 regular meeting for enough lead time in the debrief to the Committee on the April 21, 2022 Joint Recycled Water Policy Advisory Committee meeting.

Board member comments and suggestions can be forwarded to Ms. Eva Sans, Assistant Deputy Clerk II, at (408) 630-2306, or by email at esans@valleywater.org.

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