



# Santa Clara Valley Water District

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## BOARD AGENDA MEMORANDUM

### **SUBJECT:**

Discuss Board of Directors Governance Policy Governance Process GP-5.3, Election of Board Chair and Board Vice Chair.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- A. Discuss Board of Directors Governance Policy Governance Process GP-5.3, Election Board Chair and Board Vice Chair; and
- B. If necessary, make changes as identified.

### **SUMMARY:**

At the November 10, 2020, Board meeting, Director Santos requested that discussion of Board Governance Policy GP-5.3 be placed on the agenda for Board discussion. This item allows the Board to discuss this policy and make any changes necessary.

Below is the current language of GP-5.3:

- 5.3. The Board of Directors elects both the Chairperson (Chair) and Vice Chairperson (Vice Chair) of the Board. The Chair and Vice Chair each serve 1-year terms beginning at the first Board meeting in January of each year.

Accordingly:

- 5.3.1. Beginning in the calendar year 2012, the positions of Chair and Vice Chair shall rotate from member to member in numerical order continuing from the 2010 rotation: the District 4 Director would be Chair and District 5 Director would be Vice Chair; the Vice Chair follows the Chair in sequence.
- 5.3.2. Any Board member may, at his/her discretion, and on a one-time basis, postpone, by one year, the acceptance of either the Chair or Vice Chair office by "swapping" with the Director immediately following him/her on the list of succession.

5.3.2.1. Provided, however, that newly-elected or appointed Board members will postpone, by one year, the acceptance of the Chair office by “swapping” with the Director immediately following him/her on the list of succession.

5.3.3. Any Board member may, at his/her discretion, decline to serve as Chair or Vice Chair. In the event the Board member declines to serve, that District shall be skipped and the next District Board member shall serve in their stead.

5.3.4. The Clerk of the Board shall maintain the list of Board member service as Chair or Vice Chair.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

There is no financial impact associated with this item.

**CEQA:**

The recommended action does not constitute a project under CEQA because it does not have the potential for resulting in direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

None.

**UNCLASSIFIED MANAGER:**

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