

**THE METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**

**MINUTES**

**ENGINEERING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE**

**January 8, 2018**

Chair Peterson called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. in Committee Room 2-456 at Metropolitan's Headquarters.

Members present: Chair Peterson, Vice Chair Blois, Directors Barbre, Beard, Dake, De Jesus, Dick, Faessel, Galleano, Gedney, Lefevre, Morris, Steiner, and Treviño.

Members absent: Directors Camacho and Zurita.

Other Board members present: Board Chairman Record, Directors Ackerman, Dear, Hogan, Kurtz, Lewinger, McKenney, Pressman, Saxod, and Vazquez-Wilson.

Staff present: Arita, Becerra, Benito, G. Boyd, Breaux, L. Carrillo, Chaudhuri, Coffey, Cole, Collins, V. Erikson, J. Green, Hattar, Hamawi, E. Jackson, G. Johnson, Kightlinger, Koch, Krysa, Kuo Brinton, Mares, McGeeney Molette, Noriga, Okano, Parsons, S. Perez, Pitman, Riss, M. Rojas, Schaffer, H. Schneider, Scully, Shraibati, Sims, Spradling, Stewart, Tellers, Upadhyay, Vandenberg, Yamasaki, and Zinke.

**1. OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COMMITTEE ON MATTERS WITHIN THE COMMITTEE'S JURISDICTION**

No members responded.

**2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE ENGINEERING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD DECEMBER 11, 2017.**

Motion: Carried  
Moved: Director Steiner                                      Seconded: Director Beard  
Ayes: Directors Barbre, Blois, Beard, Dake, De Jesus, Dick, Faessel, Galleano, Gedney, Lefevre, Morris, Steiner, Peterson, and Treviño  
Noes: None  
Abstentions: None  
Absent: Directors Camacho, and Zurita

The motion passed by a vote of 14 ayes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 2 absent.

### 3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS – ACTION

7-1 Subject: Adopt CEQA determination and appropriate \$320,000; and authorize construction to replace the roofs on two buildings at the Eagle Rock Control Center (Appropriation No.15480)

Presented by: None

Motion: Adopt the CEQA determination that the proposed action is categorically exempt, and

- a. Appropriate \$320,000; and
- b. Authorize construction to replace the roofs on two buildings at the Eagle Rock Control Center

Moved: Director Morris   Seconded: Director Lefevre

Ayes: Directors Barbre, Blois, Beard, Dake, De Jesus, Dick, Faessel, Galleano, Gedney, Lefevre, Morris, Peterson, Steiner, and Treviño

Noes: None

Abstentions: None

Absent: Directors Camacho and Zurita

The motion passed by a vote of 14 ayes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 2 absent.

7-2 Subject: Adopt CEQA determination and appropriate \$1.45 million; award \$374,359 procurement contract to Flow International Corp. to furnish a waterjet cutting system; award \$332,939 procurement contract to North South Machinery to furnish a hydraulic press brake; and authorize increase of \$200,000 to an agreement with Richard Brady & Associates, for a new not-to-exceed total of \$446,000, for the La Verne Shops Upgrades (Appropriation No. 15395)

Presented by: None

Motion: Adopt the CEQA determination that the proposed action has been previously addressed in the certified Final EIR, findings, SOC, and MMRP, and that no further environmental analysis or documentation is required, and

- a. Appropriate \$1.45 million;
- b. Award \$332,939 procurement contract to North South Machinery to furnish a hydraulic press brake;
- c. Award \$374,359 procurement contract to Flow International Corp. to furnish a water jet cutting system; and
- d. Authorize increase of \$200,000 to an agreement with Richard Brady & Associates, for a new not-to-exceed total of \$446,000, for the La Verne Shops Upgrades



- f. Authorize increase of \$150,000 to an agreement with Helix Environmental Planning, Inc., for a new not-to-exceed total of \$2.1 million, to provide environmental support.

Moved: Director Dake    Seconded: Director Barbre  
Ayes: Directors Barbre, Blois, Beard, Dake, De Jesus, Dick, Faessel, Galleano, Gedney, Lefevre, Morris, Peterson, and Steiner  
Noes: None  
Abstentions: Director Treviño  
Absent: Directors Camacho and Zurita

The motion passed by a vote of 13 ayes, 0 no, 1 abstain, 2 absent.

**8-2**          Subject:            Adopt CEQA determination and appropriate \$4.1 million; and authorize: (1) design of seismic upgrades to three buildings at the La Verne site; (2) agreement with IBI Group in an amount not to exceed \$630,000; and (3) agreement with La Cañada Design Group, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$950,000 (Appropriations Nos. 15369 and 15495)  
  
Presented by:          Engineering Services Engineer Kim McGeeney  
  
Motion:                  Adopt the CEQA determination that the proposed actions have been previously addressed in the certified Final EIRs and related documents, and that no further environmental analysis or documentation is required, and  
                                  a. Appropriate \$4.1 million;  
                                  b. Authorize final design of seismic upgrades and building improvements for three buildings at the La Verne site;  
                                  c. Authorize agreement with IBI Group in an amount not to exceed \$630,000; and  
                                  d. Authorize agreement with La Cañada Design Group, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$950,000

Moved: Director Faessel    Seconded: Director Beard  
Ayes: Directors Barbre, Blois, Beard, Dake, De Jesus, Faessel, Galleano, Gedney, Lefevre, Morris, Peterson, Steiner, and Treviño  
Noes: None  
Abstentions: None  
Absent: Directors Camacho, Dick, and Zurita

The motion passed by a vote of 13 ayes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 3 absent.

Director Dick left the meeting at 12:25 pm.

- 8-3**      **Subject:**            Adopt CEQA determination and appropriate \$2.1 million; and authorize: (1) design and construction to refurbish the generator at Valley View Hydroelectric Plant; and (2) preliminary design to rehabilitate auxiliary systems at that facility (Appropriation No. 15458)
- Presented by:**        Water System Operations Team Manager Victor Erikson
- Motion:**             Adopt the CEQA determination that the proposed actions are categorically exempt, and
- a.    Appropriate \$2.1 million;
  - b.    Authorize design and construction to refurbish the generator at Valley View Hydroelectric Plant; and
  - c.    Authorize preliminary design to rehabilitate auxiliary systems at that facility

**Moved:**            Director Lefevre                                        **Seconded:**        Director Treviño

**Ayes:**             Directors Barbre, Blois, Beard, Dake, De Jesus, Faessel, Galleano, Gedney, Lefevre, Morris, Peterson, Steiner, and Treviño

**Noes:**             None

**Abstentions:**    None

**Absent:**            Directors Camacho, Dick, and Zurita

The motion passed by a vote of 13 ayes, 0 no, 0 abstain, 3 absent.

## **5. BOARD INFORMATION ITEMS**

None

## **6. COMMITTEE ITEMS**

- a.            **Subject:**                2017 System Operations – A Year in Review
- Presented by:**        Water System Operations Section Manager Keith Nobriga
- Mr. Nobriga reported on 2017 system operations highlights, challenges and opportunities in a remarkable year.

## **7. MANAGEMENT REPORTS**

- a.            **Subject:**                Water System Operations Manager’s report

Presented by: Water System Operations Group Manager Jim Green

Mr. Green reported on the current operational conditions, major upcoming shutdowns, and the upcoming San Jacinto tunnel inspection trip.

b. Subject: Engineering Services Manager's report

Presented by: Engineering Services Group Manager Gordon Johnson

Mr. Johnson provided an update on the dam inundation maps and emergency action plans that were required by the state Division of Safety of Dams to be submitted by the end of December 2017. He also reported that the Jensen solar plant is substantially complete and will be energized this month.

## **8. FOLLOW-UP ITEMS**

None

## **9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

None

Next meeting will be held on February 12, 2018.

Meeting adjourned at 12:59 p.m.

Glen Peterson  
Chair