

MINUTES OF MEETING  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS, ORANGE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT  
September 18, 2024 5:30 p.m.

Second Vice President Tran called to order the September 18, 2024 regular meeting of the Orange County Water District Board of Directors at 5:30 p.m. Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, the District Secretary called the roll and reported a quorum as follows. Public access was also provided via Zoom webinar.

Directors

Valerie Amezcua  
Denis Bilodeau  
Cathy Green (absent)  
Dina Nguyen  
Natalie Meeks  
Stephen Sheldon (absent)  
Van Tran  
Erik Weigand  
Bruce Whitaker  
Roger Yoh

Staff

John Kennedy, General Manager  
Jeremy Jungreis, General Counsel  
Christina Fuller, District Secretary

VISITOR PARTICIPATION

There were no visitors wishing to address the Board at this meeting.

CONSENT CALENDAR

The Consent Calendar was approved upon motion by Director Meeks, seconded by Director Whitaker and carried [8-0] as follows,

Ayes: Amezcua, Bilodeau, Meeks, Nguyen, Tran, Weigand, Whitaker, Yoh

Absent: Green, Sheldon

1. Approval of Cash Disbursements

MOTION NO. 24-88  
APPROVING CASH DISBURSEMENTS

Payment of bills for the period of August 29, 2024 through September 11, 2024 in the total amount of \$3,147,622.75 is ratified and approved.

2. Minutes of Board of Directors Meetings held August 21 and September 4, 2024

MOTION NO. 24-89  
APPROVING MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

The Minutes of the Board of Directors meetings held August 21 and September 4, 2024 are hereby approved as presented.

3. Fifth Amended Agreement with United States Army Corps of Engineers to Process Deviation Request to Prado Dam Water Control Plan for Forecast Informed Reservoir Operations

---

RESOLUTION NO. 24-9-109

APPROVING FIFTH AMENDED COOPERATIVE RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT (APPENDIX G) WITH THE UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS FOR THE REVIEW AND PROCESSING OF WATER CONTROL PLAN DEVIATION FOR FORECAST INFORMED RESERVOIR OPERATIONS (FIRO) FOR PRADO DAM

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 18-1-5 adopted January 17, 2018, OCWD approved an agreement with the United States Army Corps of Engineers for the Forecast Informed Reservoir Operations study at Prado Dam; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 24-6-65 adopted June 19, 2024, OCWD approved the Fourth Amended Cooperative Research and Development Agreement with the United States Army Corps of Engineers for Forecast Informed Reservoir Operations Study that provides a no-cost schedule extension to March 31, 2027; and

WHEREAS, the District staff has presented and recommended the Fifth Amended Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (Appendix G) with the United States Army Corps of Engineers for the Review and Processing of Water Control Plan Deviation for Forecast Informed Reservoir Operations (FIRO) for Prado Dam, California subject to approval as to form and content by District's General Counsel, for an additional \$125,000 for a total amount not to exceed \$370,000; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Orange County Water District does hereby approve the Fifth Amended Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (Appendix G) with the United States Army Corps of Engineers for the Review and Processing of Water Control Plan Deviation for Forecast Informed Reservoir Operations (FIRO) for Prado Dam, California as outlined herein; and, upon approval as to form and content by District's General Counsel, its execution by the District officers is authorized.

ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL AT COMMUNICATIONS AND LEGISLATIVE LIAISON COMMITTEE MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 5

4. Children's Water Education Festival Location and Contract Approval

RESOLUTION NO. 24-9-110

APPROVING 2025 CHILDREN'S WATER EDUCATION FESTIVAL LOCATION AND SERVICE CONTRACTS

WHEREAS, OCWD has participated in the Children's Water Education Festival since 1998; and

WHEREAS, the Communication and Legislative Liaison Committee of this Board has recommended continued participation in such Festival for 2025, and has recommended execution of contracts accordingly;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Orange County Water District does hereby resolve as follows:

Section 1: The hosting of the 2025 Children's Water Education Festival at Oak Canyon Park in Orange on April 23-24, 2025 is authorized.

Section 2: The Agreement with James Event Productions, Inc. is authorized to provide rentals, event planning, and logistical support and services and execution of the event for an amount not to exceed \$195,500; and, upon approval as to form by District General Counsel, its execution by the District officers is authorized.

ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL AT WATER ISSUES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD  
SEPTEMBER 11

5. Replacement of Water Quality Westbay Vehicle T-97

RESOLUTION NO. 24-9-111  
AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF PURCHASE ORDER TO LDV CUSTOM SPECIALTY  
VEHICLES FOR MOBILE WATER SAMPLING LAB VEHICLE

Authorize issuance of Purchase Order to LDV Custom Specialty Vehicles for \$347,546.00 (not including tax) for purchase and delivery of Mobile Water Sampling Lab Vehicle and authorize the payment of \$30,002 use tax for this vehicle purchase to the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration.

6. Contract No. FUL-2022-1: Authorize Notice of Completion, Ratify Change Orders, Authorize Budget Increase, and Authorize Transfer

RESOLUTION NO. 24-9-112  
ACCEPTING COMPLETION OF CONTRACT FUL-2022-1: FULLERTON MAIN PLANT PFAS  
WATER TREATMENT PLANT

WHEREAS, the District staff has reported that Pacific Hydrotech has completed work under Contract No. FUL-2022-1: for construction of the City of Fullerton Main Plant PFAS Water Treatment Plant; and

WHEREAS, District staff has advised of issuance of Change Orders Nos. 1-11 for a total amount of \$348,168 and an increase of the overall project budget to \$13,685,430; and

WHEREAS, the Water Issues Committee of this Board has recommended that the District accept completion of said work and that a Notice of Completion be filed for recordation and the balance of payment be made, pursuant to the terms and conditions of such contract;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Orange County Water District does hereby resolve as follows:

Section 1: Issuance of Change Orders Nos. 1-11 to such Contract is hereby ratified.

Section 2: Increase project budget by \$495,430 for a total project budget of \$13,685,430 is hereby ratified/approved.

Section 3: Work under such Contract is accepted as complete, and the District staff is authorized and directed to execute a Notice of Completion and record said Notice in the Office of the County Recorder.

Section 4: General Manager is authorized to transfer the Fullerton Main Plant PFAS Water Treatment Plant to the City of Fullerton effective the date of filing the Notice of Completion and quitclaim any property rights obtained for the project.

7. Notice of Completion for Contract GBM-2024-1 Destruction of Monitoring Wells AM-29A and MCAS-10
- 

RESOLUTION NO. 24-9-113  
ACCEPTING COMPLETION OF CONTRACT GBM-2024-1 DESTRUCTION OF MONITORING  
WELLS AM-29A AND MCAS-10

RESOLVED, that work under Contract No. GBM-2024-1 is accepted as complete, and the District staff is authorized and directed to execute a Notice of Completion and record said Notice in the Office of the County Recorder.

8. Contract No. FUL-2024-1: Categorical Exemption and Notice Inviting Bids

RESOLUTION NO. 24-9-114  
AUTHORIZING PUBLICATION OF NOTICE INVITING BIDS FOR  
CONSTRUCTION OF FULLERTON WELL KIM 2 PFAS WATER TREATMENT PLANT  
ENGINEER'S REPORT

WHEREAS, the District staff has reported that the final plans and specifications for the City of Fullerton Well Kim 2 PFAS Water Treatment Plant (Kim 2) are complete; and

WHEREAS, District staff has recommended filing a Categorical Exemption for the project and issuing a Notice Inviting Bids for the construction contract; and

WHEREAS, the Water Issues Committee of this Board has recommended that the District approve the Engineer's Report for the city of Fullerton Wells Kim 2 and Sunclipse 10 PFAS Water Treatment Plant Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Orange County Water District does hereby resolve as follows:

Section 1: The Engineer's Report for the city of Fullerton Wells Kim 2 and Sunclipse 10 PFAS Water Treatment Plant Project is hereby approved, and the project is determined feasible, necessary and beneficial to the lands of the District.

Section 2: Filing of a Categorical Exemption for the Fullerton Well Kim 2 PFAS Water Treatment Plant project in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) guidelines;

Section 3: Publication of a Notice Inviting Bids is authorized for Contract No. FUL-2024-1, Fullerton Well Kim 2 PFAS Water Treatment Plant.

ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL AT ADMINISTRATION FINANCE COMMITTEE  
MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 12

9. Monthly Cash Control Report

MOTION NO. 24-90  
RECEIVING AND FILING THE MONTHLY CASH CONTROL REPORTS

The Summary Cash and Cash Equivalents Control Reports dated August 31, 2024 are hereby received and filed.

10. Investment Portfolio Holdings Reports

MOTION NO. 24-91  
RECEIVING AND FILING INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS REPORTS

The Investment Portfolio Holdings Reports dated August 31, 2024 are hereby received and filed.

11. Purchase Reverse Osmosis Membrane Cleaning Chemicals From American Water Chemicals, Inc

RESOLUTION NO. 24-9-115  
AUTHORIZING PURCHASE ORDER TO AMERICAN WATER CHEMICALS INC. FOR REVERSE  
OSMOSIS MEMBRANE CLEANING

RESOLVED, that issuance of a Purchase Order is authorized to purchase 36,400 pounds of AWC C-227 RO membrane cleaning chemical from American Water Chemicals, Inc. for \$135,777.

12. OCWD Weed Abatement and Trail Maintenance Services RFQ

MOTION NO. 24-92  
AUTHORIZING PUBLICATION OF A REQUEST FOR QUOTES FOR ON-CALL WEED  
ABATEMENT AND TRAIL MAINTENANCE SERVICES AT PRADO BASIN AND OTHER  
DISTRICT FACILITIES

Publication of a Request for Quotes is authorized for on-call weed abatement and trail maintenance services at Prado Basin and other District facilities.

13. NJBSoft Sams Water Quality Scheduling and Sampling Management Software Pilot

RESOLUTION NO. 24-9-116  
APPROVING AGREEMENT WITH NJBSOFT FOR A PILOT STUDY OF SAMS SOFTWARE FOR  
THE WATER QUALITY DEPARTMENT

RESOLVED, that issuance of an Agreement with NJBSoft is authorized for an amount not to exceed \$65,000 for a pilot study of SAMS software for the Water Quality department commencing on September 30, 2024 through September 30, 2025.

14. Request for Proposals for Utility Bill Audit and Cost Reduction Service

RESOLUTION NO. 24-9-117  
AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR UTILITY BILL AUDIT AND  
COST REDUCTION SERVICES

Issuance of a Request for Proposals (RFP) is authorized for Utility Bill Audit and Cost Reduction Services for OCWD.

15. Authorize Purchase Order to Bender/CCP for Repair of Microfiltration Backwash Waste Pump B03

RESOLUTION NO. 24-9-118  
AUTHORIZING PURCHASE ORDER TO BENDER/CCP FOR REPAIR OF MICROFILTRATION  
BACKWASH WASTE PUMP B03

RESOLVED, that issuance of a Purchase Order is authorized to Bender/CCP in the amount of \$79,946 for repair of microfiltration backwash waste pump B03.

16. Authorize Purchase Order to DXP Enterprises, Inc for Repair of Microfiltration Backwash Waste Pump A02

RESOLUTION NO. 24-9-119  
AUTHORIZING PURCHASE ORDER TO DXP ENTERPRISES FOR REPAIR OF  
MICROFILTRATION BACKWASH WASTE PUMP A02

RESOLVED, that issuance of a Purchase Order is authorized to DXP Enterprises, Inc. in the amount of \$88,989 for repair of microfiltration backwash waste pump A02.

17. Authorize Purchase Order to Charles P. Crowley Company for three Goulds Model JC1J Heavy Duty Slurry Pumps For GWRS Post Treatment System

RESOLUTION NO. 24-9-120  
AUTHORIZING PURCHASE ORDER TO CHARLES P. CROWLEY COMPANY FOR THREE  
GOULDS HEAVY DUTY SLURRY PUMPS FOR GWRS POST TREATMENT SYSTEM

RESOLVED, that issuance of a Purchase Order is authorized to Charles P. Crowley Company for three Goulds Model JC1J heavy duty slurry pumps for the GWRS post treatment system for an amount not to exceed \$119,440.

18. Budget to Actual Report for the Fourth Quarter FY 2023–24

MOTION NO. 24-93  
RECEIVING AND FILING BUDGET TO ACTUAL REPORT FOR  
FOURTH QUARTER FY 2023-24

The Budget to Actual Report for Fourth Quarter of Fiscal Year 2023-24 ending June 30, 2024 is hereby received and filed.

19. Producers Well Construction Loan Program

RESOLUTION NO. 24-9-121  
APPROVING IMPLEMENTATION OF A PRODUCERS WELL CONSTRUCTION LOAN PROGRAM  
AND AUTHORIZING LEGAL COUNSEL TO PREPARE AN APPROPRIATE AGREEMENT

RESOLVED, that staff is hereby directed to implement a Producers Well Construction Loan Program and legal counsel is authorized to prepare an appropriate agreement.

#### INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

##### 20. PFAS Update

Executive Director of Engineering Chris Olsen provided an update on PFAS construction, design and grant efforts. Mr. Olsen advised that PFAS updates will be given quarterly to the Board moving forward.

##### 21. SAWPA Update

Director Whitaker provided an update on recent SAWPA activities.

##### 22. Water Resources Summary

General Manager John Kennedy stated the report is in the packet.

##### 23. Committee/Conference/Meeting Reports

The Board reported on attendance at the following Committee meetings, noting the Action Agendas were included in tonight's Board packet.

Sept. 05 - Communications and Legislative Committee  
Sept. 11 - Water Issues Committee  
Sept. 12- Administration and Finance Issues Committee

##### 24. Verbal Reports

General Manager John Kennedy noted that he will attend a Retirement dinner for Congresswoman Grace Napolitano on September 21, if any Directors were interested in attending.

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

DocuSigned by:  
Van Tran 10/28/2024  
1393001341284463  
Van Tran, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President

DocuSigned by:  
Christina Fuller 10/28/2024  
F53642D9D46843A...  
Christina Fuller, District Secretary