

MINUTES OF MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS, ORANGE COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
February 5, 2025, 5:30 p.m.

President Bilodeau called to order the February 5, 2025 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
Fred Jung
Dina Nguyen (arrived @ 5:50 p.m.)
Natalie Meeks
Stephen Sheldon (arrived @ 5:40 p.m.)
Van Tran
Erik Weigand
Roger Yoh

Staff

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

EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR AWARD

The Board presented the Employee of the Year award to Senior Hydrogeologist David Field.

VISITOR PARTICIPATION

There were no visitors wishing to address the Board this evening.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

Ayes: Amezcua, Bilodeau, Green, Jung, Meeks, Tran, Weigand, Yoh
Absent: Nguyen, Sheldon

1. Approval of Cash Disbursements

MOTION NO. 25-9
APPROVING CASH DISBURSEMENTS

Payment of bills for the period of January 09, 2025 through January 29, 2025 in the total amount of \$10,486,559.02 is ratified and approved.

2. Appointment of New Alternate Commissioner to Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority

RESOLUTION NO. 25-2-5
APPOINTING FRED JUNG AS ALTERNATE COMMISSIONER ON THE SANTA ANA
WATERSHED PROJECT AUTHORITY

RESOLVED, that Director Fred Jung is hereby appointed to serve on the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority Commission as Alternate Commissioner effective February 5, 2025.

3. Traffic Engineer for the District's Imperial Highway Property

RESOLUTION NO. 25-2-6

AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO HIRE A CONSULTANT FOR TRAFFIC ENGINEERING SERVICES PERTAINING TO POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENT OF ACCESS TO THE IMPERIAL HIGHWAY PROPERTY

RESOLVED, that the General Manager is hereby authorized to hire a consultant for traffic engineering for services pertaining to potential development of access to the Imperial Highway property in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.

4. Revisions to Professional Services Agreement with One Source Distributors for Three Year Preventative Maintenance Program

RESOLUTION NO. 25-2-7

APPROVING REVISIONS TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH ONE SOURCE DISTRIBUTORS FOR PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE PROGRAM ON MEDIUM VOLTAGE VARIABLE FREQUENCY DRIVES

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 24-5-52, adopted May 14, 2024, OCWD authorized issuance of a Professional Services Agreement with One Source Distributors for an amount not to exceed \$358,999 to provide electrical equipment maintenance services on variable frequency drives over a three-year period starting in fiscal year 2024-2025; and

WHEREAS, upon finalization of the agreement, One Source's legal counsel requested changes to OCWD's standard language; and

WHEREAS, staff has recommended to adopt changes in the agreement language for the previously approved Professional Services Agreement to perform preventive maintenance on the GWRS medium voltage variable frequency drives.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Orange County Water District does hereby approve revisions as approved by legal counsel to previously board approved Professional Services Agreement No. 1599 with One Source Distributors for an amount not to exceed \$358,999 to provide electrical equipment maintenance services on variable frequency drives over a three-year period starting in fiscal year 2024-25.

ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL AT PROPERTY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD JANUARY 24

5. Amendment to License Agreement with T.E. Roberts for Storing of Construction Equipment Located at Huckleberry Basin, Anaheim

RESOLUTION NO. 25-2-8

APPROVING AMENDMENT TO LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH T.E. ROBERTS FOR STORING CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT AT HUCKLEBERRY POND, ANAHEIM

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 18-1-2 adopted January 3, 2018, as subsequently amended, OCWD issued a License Agreement to T.E. Roberts, Inc. to allow equipment storage at the District’s Huckleberry Pond property in Anaheim utilizing the District’s maintenance roads; and

WHEREAS, the Property Management Committee has recommended execution of Amendment Ten to such License Agreement extending the expiration date to January 31, 2026, for a fee of \$1,419 per month, with all other Agreement terms to remain the same.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of the Orange County Water District does hereby approve Amendment Ten to such License Agreement as described herein, and upon approval as to form by District General Counsel, its execution by the District officers is authorized.

ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL AT RETIREMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD JANUARY 28

6. Money Purchase Plan Investment Line-Up and 457(B) Plan Red Flag Fund Review

MOTION NO. 25-10

APPROVING ACTIONS IN CONNECTION WITH 457(B) DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN INVESTMENT FUND LINE-UP REVIEW, AND RECEIVING AND FILING RETIREMENT PLAN INVESTMENT PORTFOLIOS

The following actions in connection with the 457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan investment funds are hereby approved, and the 401(a) Money Purchase Retirement Plan and the 457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan investment portfolios are hereby received and filed.

401(a) Items for Review	
INVESTMENT FUNDS	ACTION
American Funds New Perspective R6	Keep Red Flag
Carillon Scout Mid Cap I	Keep & Remove Red Flag
457 Items for Review	
AB Large Cap Growth I	Red Flag
T. Rowe Price All-Cap Opportunities-I	Grey Flag

7. Stable Value Fund Options

RESOLUTION NO. 25-2-9

APPROVING AGREEMENT WITH INVESCO TO ADD THEIR STABLE VALUE FUND TO THE DISTRICT’S 401(A) MONEY PURCHASE PLAN AND 457(B) DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN

RESOLVED, that issuance of an Agreement with Invesco to add their stable Value fund to both the District’s 401(a) Money Purchase Plan and 457(b) Deferred Compensation plan with the final agreement to be approved by the General Manager and General Counsel.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

8. National Water Research Institute (NWRI) Update

Executive Director Kevin Hardy provided an overview of NWRI’s recent accomplishments and program goals for 2025.

9. Metropolitan Water District Conjunctive Use Storage Program Update

General Manager John Kennedy advised that the Metropolitan Water District has requested termination of this program now instead of the original end date of 2028. Mr. Kennedy advised that staff will bring this item to the Board at a future meeting.

10. SAWPA Update

Director Bilodeau provided an update on recent SAWPA activities.

11. Water Resources Report

Mr. Kennedy stated the report was in the packet.

12. 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.

- January 22 – Joint Planning Committee
- January 24 – Property Management Committee
- January 28 – Retirement Committee

11. Verbal Reports

There were no verbal reports provided this evening.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

[Government Code Section 54957.6] OCWD designated representative: District President Denis Bilodeau, Non-Represented Employee: General Manager

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

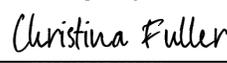
The Board reconvened in Open Session whereupon General Counsel Jungreis advised that there were no reportable items.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

DocuSigned by:

 Denis Bilodeau, President

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 Christina Fuller, District Secretary