

Independent Rates Oversight Committee (IROC) Meeting of August 17, 2020

1. Roll Call

Vice Chair Robert Weichelt called the full IROC meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. Roll call was conducted and a quorum was declared. Attendance is reflected below:

Members:	Present	Absent
Tiffany Mittal, Chair		Х
Robert Weichelt, Vice Chair	X	
David Akin	X	
Christopher Dull	X	
Gordon Hess	Χ	
Jeff Justus	Χ	
Jack Kubota	X	
Luis Osuna		X
Jim Peugh	Χ	
Linh Quach		X
Ex-Officio Members:		
Jerry Jones, Metro JPA		Χ
Jim Peasley, Metro JPA Alt.		Χ
Tony Heinrichs, City 10	Χ	

City representatives present: Shauna Lorance (Director of Public Utilities), Lisa Celaya (Assistant Director), John Stufflebean (Assistant Director), and Christine Leone (Chief Deputy City Attorney).

2. <u>Non-Agenda Public Comment</u> – None.

3. Approval of Draft Minutes from Meeting of January 21, 2020

ACTION: Vice Chair Weichelt asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Motion by Member Peugh to approve. Second by Member Justus. Motion passed 7-0.

- 4. <u>Chair/Vice Chair Updates</u> None.
- **Mayor and Council Staff Comments** None.
- 6. **City Staff Updates** Shauna Lorance, Director of Public Utilities
 - Thank you for joining this meeting.
 - It is likely that the next City Council will be the ones approving this COSS.
 - We issued our first couple of requests for bids on Pure Water.
 - Member Hess asked if Ms. Lorance is coordinating with the IBA on the COSS review process and Ms. Lorance confirmed she is coordinating with the IBA.
- 7. <u>Discussion: Industrial Wastewater Control Program (IWCP) Audit Update</u> Lisa Celaya, Assistant Director
 - We fully concur with the recommendations from the Office of the City Auditor.
 - We are creating updated fees and charges per the audit.

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8. <u>Presentation: Pure Water Update</u> – John Stufflebean, Assistant Director

- Project Labor Agreement
- Construction Update
- Regulatory Activities and PLWTP Permit
- Finance and Local Resources Program
- Outreach
- Phase 2 Update
- Member Kubota expressed appreciation for the outreach along the pipelines in Morena Boulevard and UTC areas.

9. <u>Presentation: Financial Update</u> – Charles Modica, Deputy Director

- FY 2020 Budget Lookback
 - o Initial Budget Projections
 - o Comparison to Actual Budget Results
- FY 2021 Budget Overview
 - Limited changes due to COVID-19 uncertainty
 - o Revenues and Expenditures Overview
- COVID-19 Impacts
 - o Operational Impacts
 - Water Demand
 - o Accounts Receivable
- Member Kubota asked about the sale of the stadium site. Mr. Modica confirmed the sale for approximately \$34M and stated the sale was included in these projections.

10. <u>Discussion: Adopt FY21 Work Plan</u> – Robert Weichelt, Vice Chair

ACTION: Vice Chair Weichelt asked for a motion to adopt the FY21 Work Plan. Motion by Member Dull to adopt with minor additions. Second by Member Peugh. Motion passed 7-0.

11. <u>City 10 - County Water Authority</u> – Tony Heinrichs, City 10 Representative

- The San Francisco Superior Court rendered final judgement in the first two cases CWA brought against MWD.
 - Final judgement amount was for \$44.3M
 - o For MWD's breach of the exchange agreement
 - o Representing 2011 2014
 - o Three other lawsuits pending with similar facts
- Regional Conveyance Study
 - Phase A (complete) \$3.9M
 - Phase B (proceed?) \$1.3M

12. <u>Metro/JPA – Report Out</u> – None.

13. <u>Proposed Agenda Items for Upcoming IROC Meetings</u> – IROC Members

- AMI Update
- Lake Hodges Condition Assessment Update
- Chollas Operations Center Update
- Chollas Operations Center Tour
- Customer Support Division Call Center Update
- Water Meter Cover Replacement Program Update
- Update on COVID-19 Pandemic Impacts on Personnel

14. <u>IROC Members' Comments</u> – IROC Members

• Member Kubota shared some information about the COVID-19 pandemic and wearing masks.

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15. Meeting adjourned: 11:07 a.m.

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Minutes submitted by: Wilson Kennedy