# MINUTES CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER APPROPRIATIVE POOL MEETING

November 8, 2018

The Appropriative Pool meeting was held at the offices of Chino Basin Watermaster located at 9641 San Bernardino Road, Rancho Cucamonga, CA on November 8, 2018.

# **APPROPRIATIVE POOL MEMBERS PRESENT**

Teri Layton, Chair

Van Jew, Vice-Chair

San Antonio Water Company

Monte Vista Water District

John Bosler Cucamonga Valley Water District

Joanne Chan for Clarence Mansell West Valley Water District

Ron Craig City of Chino Hills
Dave Crosley City of Chino

Cris Fealy Fontana Water Company
Eric Tarango Fontana Union Water Company

Rosemary Hoerning City of Upland

Ben Lewis Golden State Water Company

Courtney Jones for Scott Burton City of Ontario

Todd Corbin Jurupa Community Services District

Raul Garibay for Darron Poulsen City of Pomona

# WATERMASTER BOARD MEMBER PRESENT

Bob Kuhn Three Valleys Municipal Water District

# WATERMASTER STAFF PRESENT

Peter Kavounas General Manager
Joseph Joswiak Chief Financial Officer

Edgar Tellez Foster Senior Environmental Engineer

Anna Nelson Executive Services Director/Board Clerk
Justin Nakano Water Resources Senior Associate
Frank Yoo Water Resources Senior Associate

# **WATERMASTER CONSULTANTS PRESENT**

Chris Guillen Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP
Andy Malone Wildermuth Environmental, Inc.

# **OTHERS PRESENT**

Amanda Coker City of Chino

Eric Grubb Cucamonga Valley Water District

Chris Diggs City of Pomona

Eduardo Espinoza

David De Jesus

Rick Hansen

Matt Litchfield

Cucamonga Valley Water District

Three Valleys Municipal Water District

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Brian Lee San Antonio Water Company

Richard Rees Wood plc

John Schatz John J. Schatz, Attorney at Law

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Layton called the Appropriative Pool meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

# AGENDA - ADDITIONS/REORDER

(0:00:11) Mr. Kavounas announced that Chair Layton reordered Business Items D, F–H to follow confidential session.

(0:00:44) Mr. Kavounas introduced Chris Guillen who filled in as Watermaster's legal counsel on behalf of Brad Herrema.

# I. CONSENT CALENDAR

# A. MINUTES

Approve as presented:

1. Minutes of the Appropriative Pool Meeting held October 11, 2018

#### **B. FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Receive and file as presented:

- 1. Cash Disbursements for the month of September 2018
- 2. Watermaster VISA Check Detail for the month of September 2018
- 3. Combining Schedule for the Period July 1, 2018 through September 30, 2018
- 4. Treasurer's Report of Financial Affairs for the Period July 1, 2018 through September 30, 2018
- 5. Budget vs. Actual Report for the Period July 1, 2018 through September 30, 2018

# C. APPLICATION FOR RECHARGE

Recommend Advisory Committee to recommend to the Watermaster Board to approve Fontana Water Company's Application for Recharge and direct Watermaster staff to account for this supplemental water recharged in Fontana Water Company's existing Local Supplemental Storage account.

(0:01:12)

Motion by Ms. Rosemary Hoerning, seconded by Mr. Dave Crosley, and by unanimous vote **Moved to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.** 

# II. BUSINESS ITEMS

#### A. FISCAL YEAR 2018/19 ASSESSMENT PACKAGE

Recommend Advisory Committee approval of the Fiscal Year 2018/19 Assessment Package indicating the preferred version, including no credit for Stormwater New Yield, and postponing the assessment of Desalter Replenishment Obligation.

- (0:01:32) Mr. Kavounas prefaced Business Item II.A. and introduced Mr. Yoo to give a presentation.
- (0:02:09) Mr. Yoo gave a presentation. A discussion ensued.
- (0:07:36) Ms. Hoerning requested to see losses on recycled water recharge in future Assessment Packages.
- (0:16:21) Motion introduced. Further discussion ensued.
- (0:16:33) Mr. Corbin requested to add additional language to the motion. Further discussion ensued.

(0:19:37) Vote Taken

Motion by Ms. Courtney Jones, seconded by Mr. Ron Craig, and by unanimous vote

Moved to approve Business Item II.A. as presented and as an interim assessment until the Safe Yield Reset accounting can be finalized and reconciliation can be made for a final assessment.

# B. RESOLUTION TO LEVY REPLENISHMENT AND ADMINISTRATIVE ASSESSMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018/19

Review Resolution 2018-05 as presented, and offer advice to Watermaster. (0:19:50) Mr. Kavounas gave a report.

(0:20:20)

Motion by Mr. Todd Corbin, seconded by Mr. Raul Garibay, and by unanimous vote

Moved to approve Business Item II.B. as presented.

### C. CALENDAR YEAR 2019 APPROPRIATIVE POOL VOLUME VOTE

Approve the Calendar Year 2019 Appropriative Pool Volume Vote as presented subject to Advisory Committee and Board approval of the 2018/19 Assessment Package at the November 15, 2018 meetings.

(0:21:04) Mr. Kavounas gave a report.

(0:21:40)

Motion by Mr. Cris Fealy, seconded by Mr. Van Jew, and by unanimous vote **Moved to approve Business Item II.C. as presented.** 

#### D. WATERMASTER REAPPOINTMENT

Recommend future Watermaster appointment to the Advisory Committee.

The Pool took Business Item II.D. after confidential session.

(0:58:29) Mr. Bosler introduced a motion.

(0:59:03) Vote Taken

Motion by Mr. John Bosler, seconded by Mr. Ron Craig, and by unanimous vote

Moved to recommend reappointing the Watermaster nine-member Board for a five-year term. In addition, continue to direct Watermaster staff to initiate an evaluation of Watermaster business operations including: stakeholder input, Pool interaction, the role of the Board and other areas determined by the parties with the intent of looking for other opportunities to maximize effective implementation of the Judgment, OBMP, and related court orders.

#### E. FISCAL YEAR 2017/18 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE GROUND-LEVEL MONITORING COMMITTEE

Recommend to the Advisory Committee to recommend to the Watermaster Board to approve the 2017/18 Annual Report of the Ground-Level Monitoring Committee, along with filing a copy with the Court.

(0:22:01) Mr. Kavounas introduced Mr. Malone to give a report.

(0:23:05)

Motion by Mr. Raul Garibay, seconded by Mr. John Bosler, and by unanimous vote **Moved to approve Business Item II.E. as presented.** 

# F. SAFE YIELD RESET-RELATED AGREEMENT (DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION)

The Pool took Business Item II.F. after confidential session.

(0:59:23) Chair Layton announced that the Pool and the six parties to the appeal are evaluating Watermaster's comments.

# G. AMENDMENT OF POOLING PLAN FOR THE OVERLYING (NON-AGRICULTURAL) POOL

Consider the proposed amendment to the NAP Pooling Plan and take appropriate action.

The Pool took Business Item II.G. after confidential session.

(0:59:36) Chair Layton announced that the Pool has directed legal counsel to work with the six parties to the appeal for a response on the Non-Agricultural Pool motion.

# H. FISCAL YEAR 2018/19 EXHIBIT "G" PHYSICAL SOLUTION TRANSFER RATE SUBSTITUTION

Consider approval of the Non-Agricultural Pool's proposed FY 2018/19 substitute Physical Solution Transfer rate of \$655.00 per acre-foot based on three conditions: (a) the Court does not enter an order on or prior to December 31, 2018 authorizing the Non-Agricultural Pool Committee to establish the price in connection with its now pending motion to amend the Non-Agricultural Pool Pooling Plan; (b) the Appropriative Pool Committee agrees to such price on or prior to November 15, 2018; and (c) the Court enters an order approving such price as a negotiated price for the current 2018/2019 fiscal year, and, recommend Advisory Committee approval, and approve Watermaster legal counsel's filing of motion for Court approval of the same.

The Pool took Business Item II.H. after confidential session.

(1:00:08) Chair Layton announced that the Pool approved the Exhibit "G" rate of \$655.00 per acre-foot.

(1:00:14)

Motion by Mr. Ron Craig, seconded by Mr. Dave Crosley, and by majority vote

Moved to approve using \$655/AF as the substitute rate for Exhibit "G" physical solution transfers in FY 2018/19.

# No Votes

Van Jew – Monte Vista Water District and Monte Vista Irrigation Company

# III. REPORTS/UPDATES

# A. LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT

1. December 28, 2018 Hearing

(0:23:28) Mr. Guillen gave a report.

# **B. ENGINEER REPORT**

- 1. Salinity Management Update
- 2. Impact Analysis of Chino Airport Plume Remedy on Groundwater Levels

(0:25:21) Mr. Malone gave a report. A discussion ensued.

# C. CFO REPORT

1. Fiscal Year 2018/19 Assessment Invoicing

(0:40:50) Mr. Joswiak gave a report.

#### D. GM REPORT

- 1. Annual Finding of Substantial Compliance with the Recharge Master Plan
- 2. Watermaster Board Meeting Frequency
- 3. 40<sup>th</sup> Judgment Anniversary Commemoration
- 4. December Meeting Schedule
- 5. Other

(0:41:13) Mr. Kavounas gave a report. A discussion ensued.

#### IV. INFORMATION

- 1. Cash Disbursements for October 2018
- 2. Recharge Investigations and Projects Committee (RIPCom)

# V. POOL MEMBER COMMENTS

None

# VI. OTHER BUSINESS

None

# VII. CONFIDENTIAL SESSION - POSSIBLE ACTION

Chair Layton called for a confidential session at 9:58 a.m. to hold the Appropriative Pool Strategic Planning. Confidential session concluded at 11:28 a.m. with no reportable action.

Mr. Jew left the meeting immediately following confidential session.

(0:58:13) Chair Layton reported on Business Items D, F–H. The reportable actions are shown in the sequence above.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Layton adjourned the Appropriative Pool meeting at 11:30 a.m.

		Secretary:
Approved:	January 10, 2019	