

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING – JULY 22, 2024

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Irvine Ranch Water District (IRWD) was called to order by President Reinhart at 5:00 p.m. on July 22, 2024 at the District offices, 15600 Sand Canyon Avenue, Irvine.

Directors Present: LaMar, Swan, Withers, and President Reinhart.

Director(s) Absent: McLaughlin.

Also Present: General Manager Cook, Executive Director of Finance Adly, Executive Director of Technical Services Burton, Executive Director of Operations Chambers, Executive Director of Water Policy Weghorst, Director of Water Resources Sanchez, Director of Human Resources Mitcham, Director of Strategic Communications and Advocacy / Deputy General Counsel Compton, Director of Maintenance Manning, Director of Recycling Operations Zepeda, Director of Financial Planning and Data Analytics Smithson, Director of Accounting and Treasury Lin, Director of Information Technology Kaneshiro, Director of Water Quality and Regulatory Compliance Colston, Director of Safety and Security Choi, Water Maintenance Supervisor McCarter, Water Resources Manager Welch, Construction Services Manager Crowe, Field Services Manager Barreto, General Counsel Collins, Secretary Swan, and members of the staff and public.

Oral and Written Communications: None.

Items too late to be agendized: None.

PRESENTATIONS – PROCLAMATIONS

General Manager Cook presented Proclamations to two long-standing IRWD employees:

- To Kellie Welch for her 24 years of service to the District; and
- To David McCarter for his 40 years of service to the District.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Item 9 was moved to the Action Calendar at the request of Director Swan. On MOTION by LaMar, seconded by Withers and unanimously carried (4-0), CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS 5 THROUGH 8, AND 10 WERE APPROVED AS FOLLOWS:

5. BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Recommendation: That the minutes of the July 8, 2024 Regular Board meeting be approved as presented.

6. APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT TREASURER

Recommendation: That the Board appoint Eileen Lin as the Irvine Ranch Water District Assistant Treasurer effective July 22, 2024.

CONSENT CALENDAR (CONTINUED)

7. JUNE 2024 TREASURY REPORT

Recommendation: That the Board receive and file the Treasurer's Investment Summary report, the summary of fixed and variable rate debt, and the disclosure report of reimbursements to Board members and staff, approve the June 2024 summary of payroll ACH payments in the total amount of \$2,641,158, and approve the June 2024 accounts payable disbursement summary of warrants 443140 through 443803, Workers' Compensation distributions, ACH payments, virtual card payments, wire transfers, payroll withholding distributions, and voided checks in the total amount of \$24,889,013.

8. FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 IRWD GUIDING PRINCIPLES SCORECARD

Recommendation: Receive and file.

10. CONSTRUCTION SERVICES DUMP TRUCKS PURCHASE

Recommendation: That the Board authorize the General Manager to execute a purchase order with Inland Kenworth Inc. in the amount of \$764,179 for the purchase of two new dump trucks.

ACTION CALENDAR

9. PROPERTY TAX RESOLUTIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-25

Following discussion with the Board and Staff, on MOTION by LaMar, seconded by Withers, and carried (LaMar, Reinhart, and Withers voting aye and Swan voting no (3-1 vote), THE BOARD ADOPTED THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTIONS BY TITLE:

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-10

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT, ORANGE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA
ESTABLISHING *AD VALOREM* TAX REVENUES FOR
FISCAL YEAR 2024-25

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-11

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT
AMENDING ALLOCATION OF *AD VALOREM* PROPERTY
TAXES TO DEBT SERVICE, SUBJECT TO PLEDGE

11. CONSERVATION AS A WAY OF LIFE

Using a PowerPoint presentation, Director of Water Resources Sanchez provided the Board a summary of the Making Conservation a California Way of Life regulations, and how they will impact IRWD. Following discussion, the item was received and filed.

OTHER BUSINESS

12. General Manager's Report

General Manager Cook stated that with the global IT outage of CrowdStrike pushing out a defective update, IRWD was affected. He thanked the IRWD IT staff for their prompt response to pinpoint the issues and restore access to the affected programs and devices.

In addition, he asked Mr. Manning to introduce Verowin Hunting, the District's new Reliability Manager for the Asset Systems department.

13. Receive oral update(s) from District liaison(s) regarding communities within IRWD's service area and interests.

Nothing to report on behalf of Consultant Newell.

14. Directors' Comments and Meeting Reports

Director Withers reported on his attendance at the NWRI Board of Directors' Meeting, the WACO Monthly meeting, and the OCWA Monthly Industry Insight Meeting.

Director Swan reported on his participation in the MWDOC Administration/Finance Issues Committee Meeting, the July WAKE UP! Newport Meeting featuring John Moorlach, the monthly WACO meeting, the WACO Planning Committee Meeting, and the MWDOC Board of Directors' Meeting.

Director LaMar reported on his attendance at: the CCEEB Water Quality Task Force meeting via teleconference; the Orange County Business Council Government Affairs Committee Meeting; the Southern California Water Coalition's Legislative Task Force meeting; the Natural Communities Coalition Board of Directors' Meeting; the Southern California Water Coalition's June 2024 Webinar: "Flowing Toward the Future;" a lunch meeting with Jim Sulentich and Danny Fry on NCC Projects; the Southern California Edison's Public Safety Power Shutoff Advisory Board meeting via teleconference; and the IRWD Connect 2024 Luncheon. In addition, he reported on his participation in the CCEEB Summer Issues Seminar in Olympic Valley and the WACO monthly meeting.

President Reinhart reported on his participation in the MWDOC Administration / Finance Issues Committee Meeting, the OCWD Water Issues Committee Meeting, the OCWD Administration / Finance Issues Committee Meeting, and the WACO Monthly meeting.

15. Adjournment

There being no further business, President Reinhart adjourned the meeting at 6:09 p.m.

APPROVED and SIGNED this 12th day of August 2024.

President, IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT

Secretary, IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Claire Hervey Collins, General Counsel
Hanson Bridgett LLP