

# **SGVCOG Joint Water Policy Committee/Working Group Meeting Approved Minutes**

Date: October 11, 2022

Time: 10:00 AM

Location: Zoom/YouTube teleconference meeting

#### PRELIMINARY BUSINESS

1. Call to Order: J. Stark called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M.

2. Roll Call

# **Water Policy Committee Members Present**

J. Stark: Claremont

M. Clark; Rosemead

D. Mahmud; South Pasadena

C. Goytia; TVMWD

J. Santana; USGVMWD

# **Water Working Group Members Present**

D. Dolphin; Alhambra

S. Costandi; Covina

A. Sweet; Glendora

C. Lee/P. Choy; LA County Public Works

A. Tachiki: Monrovia

A. Ortega; Pomona

T. Gerber/A. Tesfaye; South Pasadena

S. Lee/M. Litchfield; TVMWD

E. Reyes; SGVMWD

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T. Love; USGVMWD

S. Green/J. Stotz; LA County Sanitation Districts

L. Augino/K. Gardner; Watermaster

#### <u>Guests</u>

B. Kyle; Theodore Payne Foundation

B. Stracker; Member of the Public

B. Crossman; Rivers and Mountains Conservancy

P. Hernandez; Water Education for Latino Leaders

# **SGVCOG Staff**

B. Logasa

T. Egan

N. Ryu

S. Wong

## **Water Policy Committee Members Absent**

G. Boyer; Glendora

G. Crudgington; Monrovia

- **3.** Public Comment
  - No public comments.
- **4.** Changes to Agenda Order No changes to agenda order.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

- 5. SGVCOG Capital Projects and Construction Committee, Energy, Environment, and Natural Resources Committee, Executive Committee, Governing Board, Homelessness Committee, Transportation Committee, and Water Committee Special Joint Meeting Minutes 9/15/2022
- **6.** Water Policy Committee/TAC Meeting Minutes 9/13/2022
- 7. Adoption of Resolution 22-12-WC Enabling the Water Policy Committee and Water Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) to Continue Holding Meetings via Teleconferencing

There was a motion to approve the Consent Calendar items.

(M/S: D. Mahmud/C. Goytia)

[MOTION PASSED]

AYES:	Claremont, Rosemead, South Pasadena, TVMWD, USGVMWD
NOES:	
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	
NO VOTE	
<b>GIVEN:</b>	
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Glendora, Monrovia

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

**8.** Solve the Water Crisis Coalition

The Solve the Water Crisis Coalition was formed to educate state legislators, the Governor, and state agencies on the urgency to act on this water crisis. The organization's mission is to raise awareness among California leaders, and highlight the urgent need for bold and immediate State action to secure California's water future. The Water Policy Committee considered recommending the Governing Board adopt a resolution to join the water crisis education effort as a supporter but ultimately decided to table the discussion for a future meeting.

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

9. Native and Drought-Tolerant Landscaping – Brenda Kyle, Theodore Payne Foundation The Committee heard a presentation from the Theodore Payne Foundation (TPF) on approaches to replace existing landscaping with more native and drought-tolerant plants. TPF aims to educate Southern Californians about the beauty and ecological benefits of California native plant landscapes, which, on average, use 80% less water than conventional gardens. Additionally, native gardens nurture pollinators and other wildlife, minimize one's carbon footprint, and reduce garden maintenance. Native plants also play an active role in the water cycle, adding cooling moisture to the atmosphere.

#### **UPDATE ITEMS**

10. Regional Phase I Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit Implementation

There were no updates on this item.

- 11. Safe Clean Water Program
  - B. Logasa shared information on this item. The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors approved funding for all nine Stormwater Investment Plans on October 4, 2022.
- **12.** Federal and State Budget and Legislative Updates
  - B. Logasa shared information on this item. She provided an update on legislation related to water that have passed in both the state Senate and Assembly.
- **13.** Water Supply Update
  - T. Love provided an update on this item. He shared information on the drought, water supply and key well levels, and water deliveries.
- **14.** Water Working Group Chair Report
  - A. Tachiki provided an update on this item. He shared that he will be reaching out to the Water Working Group staff liaison soon to coordinate a Water Working Group meeting separate from the Water Policy Committee.

#### **CHAIR'S REPORT**

There was no report on this item.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **ADJOURN**

J. Stark adjourned the meeting at 11:32 A.M.