



STANISLAUS REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY

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May 3, 2017 at 3:00 p.m.
Ceres Community Center
2701 Fourth Street, Ceres, CA

Minutes
Special Meeting
SRWA Board

1. **A. CALL TO ORDER:** Vice Chair Vierra called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m.
PRESENT: Vice Chair Vierra, Director Bublak, Director Lane
ABSENT: Chair Soiseth

- B. SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

2. **RECOGNITIONS, APPOINTMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRESENTATIONS:** None

3. **A. SPECIAL BRIEFINGS:** None.

- B. STAFF UPDATES:**
 1. Interim General Manager Mike Brinton provided an update of items discussed at recent Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meetings, including:
 - Attended meeting with SRF Staff on March 2nd
 - Provided overview of 50% design documents to TAC
 - Continued support of Horizon's CEQA documentation for both the EIR and IS/NMD for the Wet Well Project
 - Continued coordination with Associated ROW and GDR regarding appraisal maps, easement agreements and responded to a few questions from the public based on the treated water transmission main alignments shown in the NOP
 - Continued development of treatment train process alternatives and information for presentation to TAC in a Technical Memorandum
 - Prepared cost estimates for trench replacement versus County fees
 - NOP published with State Clearinghouse and County Clerk
 - Consulted with Gualco regarding potential use of AB 851 funds
 - Conducted workshop on water quality and treatment alternatives

 2. Acting Finance Director Marie Lorenzi provided a summary of actual revenue and expenditures for Fiscal Year 2016-17 as of May 3, 2017. Projections for the balance of the fiscal year will exceed anticipated revenue, therefore, Cities of Turlock and Ceres will be invoiced for their contributions. The projected amount estimated for Project Management Services was discussed and it was determined that the cost includes the services of subconsultants. West Yost will provide an itemization of those costs.

- C. CONSULTANT UPDATES:**
 1. Gerry Nakano of West Yost Associates provided a project status update including the following:
 - Project Delivery Methods and Recommended Treatment Trains.
 - Project Cost Estimates and associated impacts to monthly average residential customer billings.

- Funding activities, including initial meeting with SRF PM team, moving forward to attempt to expand Government Code 22160 which would allow this project to utilize DB as a project delivery method through Senator Cannella's proposed Senate Bill 373.
- Horizon has issued the Notice of Preparation for the comment period and received six comment letters which will be included in the EIR when prepared.
- Prepared draft IS/MND for TAC review and comment.
- Initiated coordination with TID regarding water right modification to be discussed in the Project EIR.
- Completed 90 percent design of the Wet Well facility and comments are being gathered.
- Peer review being conducted by Cities of Turlock and Ceres professional engineers.

D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None

4. DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND DISQUALIFICATIONS: None

5. CONSENT CALENDAR:

Action: Motion by Director Bublak, seconded by Director Lane, to adopt the consent calendar and approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 23, 2017. Motion carried 3/1 by the following vote:

Director Lane	Director Bublak	Vice Chair Vierra	Chair Soiseth
Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

7. SCHEDULED MATTERS:

A. Lindsay Smith of West Yost Associates presented the report on the recommendations of the Executive TAC and TAC to utilize lump sum design-build to deliver the regional intake pump station, raw water pipeline, and water treatment plant, with an additive bid item to include the design and construction of the finished water transmission mains to Ceres and Turlock.

Discussion: Reviewed past actions from the board and next steps. Executive TAC met with industry professionals on March 23, 2017. TAC met on March 30, 2017. Both groups concur with the project delivery method recommendation. Different methods were reviewed, including a Private Financing Option, also referred to as P3 or private partnerships. Advantages and disadvantages were considered. Recommending Lump Sum Design-Build, with a single entity responsible for the design and build, with the operations staffing component being separate. Public operation is recommended as the City of Turlock has a good track record of operating its wastewater facilities, public agency staff will have the customer's best interest in mind, and decisions will be based on long-term operations efficiencies which could be perceived as more cost effective.

Vice Chair Vierra opened public participation. There being no public response, Vice Chair Vierra closed public participation.

Action: Motion by Director Lane, seconded by Director Bublak, to concur with the recommendations of the Executive TAC and TAC to utilize lump sum design-build to deliver the regional intake pump station, raw water pipeline, and water treatment plant, with an additive bid item to include the design and construction of the

finished water transmission mains to Ceres and Turlock. Motion carried 3/1 by the following vote:

Director Lane	Director Bublak	Vice Chair Vierra	Chair Soiseth
Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent

- B.** Request to concur with the TAC’s recommendation to proceed with further evaluation of two treatment process alternatives, namely a conventional treatment process featuring pre-ozonation, and a membrane filtration process featuring ozone; and to allow consideration of either option by proposers for the future design and construction of the water treatment plant.

Discussion: Lindsay Smith of West Yost Associates requested this item be continued to the May 25th Regular Board Meeting as new information could modify TAC’s recommendation.

Vice Chair Vierra opened public participation. There being no public response, Vice Chair Vierra closed public participation.

Action: Motion by Director Lane, seconded by Director Bublak, to continue this item to the May 25, 2017, Regular Meeting of the Board. Motion carried 3/1 by the following vote:

Director Lane	Director Bublak	Vice Chair Vierra	Chair Soiseth
Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent

- C.** Interim General Manager Michael Brinton presented the report requesting authorization to execute non-monetary agreements and sign documents related to obtaining permits, easements, right-of-way acquisitions on behalf of the SRWA and pay associated fees for processing these items up to an amount of \$5,000 per occurrence or up to the appraised value of the easements and right-of-way.

Discussion: None.

Vice Chair Vierra opened public participation. There being no public response, Vice Chair Vierra closed public participation.

Action: Motion by Director Lane, seconded by Director Bublak, authorizing the Interim General Manager to execute non-monetary agreements and sign documents related to obtaining permits, easements, and right-of-way acquisitions on behalf of the SRWA and pay associated fees for processing these items up to an amount of \$5,000 per occurrence or up to the appraised value of the easements and right-of-ways. Motion carried 3/1 by the following vote:

Director Lane	Director Bublak	Vice Chair Vierra	Chair Soiseth
Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent

Action: **Resolution 2017-003** appropriating \$50,000 to account number 950-53-552.43332 “Permitting” to provide funding for permitting fees related to the wet well project to be funded by contributions from the Cities of Ceres and Turlock and Turlock Irrigation District (TID), consistent with the TID/SRWA Water Sales Agreement, with the following percentages: Turlock: 53.3%, Ceres: 26.7%, TID: 20%. The amended Resolution was introduced by Director Bublak, seconded by Director Lane, and carried 3/1 by the following vote:

Director Lane	Director Bublak	Vice Chair Vierra	Chair Soiseth
Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent

Action: Resolution 2017-004 appropriating \$30,000 to account 950-53-552.51001 "Property Acquisitions" to provide funding for private appraisal reimbursements, and easements and right-of-way acquisitions related to the wet well project to be funded by contributions from the City of Ceres, City of Turlock, and Turlock Irrigation District (TID) consistent with the TID/SRWA Water Sales Agreement, with the following percentages: Turlock: 53.3%, Ceres: 26.7%, TID: 20.0%. The amended Resolution was introduced by Director Bublak, seconded by Director Lane, and carried by the following vote:

Director Lane	Director Bublak	Vice Chair Vierra	Chair Soiseth
Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent

D. Acting Finance Director Marie Lorenzi presented the report requesting approval of appropriations totaling \$2,975 to various administrative accounts as outlined in the Resolution to provide for proper accounting of the Authority's administrative costs during fiscal year 2016-17. Appropriations to be funded equally by contributions from the Cities of Ceres and Turlock.

Discussion: The majority of the expenses are related to the Notice of Preparation being sent certified mail to approximately 650 property owners and/or agencies.

Vice Chair Vierra opened public participation. There being no public response, Vice Chair Vierra closed public participation.

Action: Resolution 2017-005 appropriating \$2,975 to various administrative accounts to provide for proper accounting of the Authority's administrative costs during Fiscal Year 2016-17, to be funded via equal contributions from SRWA participating agencies was introduced by Director Bublak, seconded by Director Lane, and carried by the following vote:

Director Lane	Director Bublak	Vice Chair Vierra	Chair Soiseth
Yes	Yes	Yes	Absent

8. **MATTERS TOO LATE FOR THE AGENDA:** None
9. **BOARD ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION:** None
10. **BOARD COMMENTS:** None
11. **NEXT MEETING DATE:** May 25, 2017 – Regular Meeting
12. **CLOSED SESSION:** None
13. **ADJOURNMENT:** Motion by Director Bublak, seconded by Director Lane, to adjourn at 3:40 p.m. Motion carried 3/1.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED


Tish Foley, Board Secretary