SAN GORGONIO PASS WATER AGENCY 1210 Beaumont Avenue, Beaumont, California 92223 Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting November 8, 2021, 1:30 p.m.

IN AN EFFORT TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 (CORONAVIRUS), AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20, THIS MEETING WAS HELD VIA ZOOM.

Robert Ybarra, Director

Board Present:	Steve Lehtonen, President
Board members	Larry Smith, Vice President
attended by video	Mickey Valdivia, Treasurer
conferencing/	Blair Ball, Director
teleconferencing	Ron Duncan, Director
-	Chander Letulle, Director

Staff Present:Lance Eckhart, General ManagerStaff membersTom Todd, Jr., Chief Financial Officerattended by videoJeff Ferre, Legal Counselconferencing

Consultants Present: Consultants attended by video conferencing

Sam Gershon, Albert Webb & Associates Sinnaro Yos, Albert Webb & Associates

1. Call to Order, Flag Salute, Invocation, and Roll Call

The meeting of the San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency Board of Directors was called to order by Board President Steve Lehtonen at 1:30 pm, November 8, 2021, by video/teleconference. Director Letulle led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Director Duncan gave the invocation. President Lehtonen requested a roll call.

Roll Call:	Present	Absent
Director Ball	\boxtimes	
Director Duncan	\boxtimes	
Director Letulle	\boxtimes	
Director Smith	\boxtimes	
Treasurer Valdivia	\boxtimes	
Director Ybarra	\boxtimes	
President Lehtonen	\boxtimes	

A quorum was present.

2. Adoption and Adjustment of Agenda

President Lehtonen asked if there were any adjustments to the agenda. General Manager Eckhart stated that there were no adjustments.

3. Public Comment

President Lehtonen asked for public comment on any matter within the Agency's jurisdiction that is not on the agenda. There was no public comment.

4. Consent Calendar

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, October 25, 2021.
- B. Adoption of Resolution No. 2021-20 of the Board of Directors of the San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency Re-Authorizing Remote Teleconference/Virtual Meetings of the Pass Water Agency Legislative Bodies for the Period of November 8, 2021 to December 7, 2021 Pursuant to Brown Act Provisions.

President Lehtonen asked for a motion to approve the Consent Calendar. Director Duncan made a motion, seconded by Treasurer Valdivia, to adopt the consent calendar as presented.

<u>Roll Call:</u>	Aye	Noes	Absent	Abstain
Director Ball	\boxtimes			
Director Duncan	\boxtimes			
Director Letulle	\boxtimes			
Director Smith	\boxtimes			
Treasurer Valdivia	\boxtimes			
Director Ybarra	\boxtimes			
President Lehtonen	\boxtimes			
The motion passed 7-0.				

5. Reports

- A. General Manager's Report: Mr. Eckhart reported on the recent storm and the status of Agency-installed K-rails. Riverside County is in the process of redistricting, and he will be attending the public hearing on November 9 to make comments on the importance of not dividing communities between different county districts.
- B. Legal Counsel's Report: Legal Counsel Jeff Ferre reported on SB274, which updates the Brown Act to include email delivery of agendas.

6. New Business

A. Election of ACWA Officer for 2022-2023: The Board selected Vice President Smith to be the primary representative to vote for ACWA Officers at the upcoming ACWA Conference, and selected Treasurer Valdivia to be the secondary representative. After discussion, a motion was made by Director Duncan, seconded by Director Ybarra to accept the slate as proposed by the current ACWA Board.

Aye	Noes	Absent	Abstain
\boxtimes			

	President Lehtonen	\boxtimes			
	The motion passed 7-0.				
В.	Awarding of Contract to Albert System Feasibility Study: A included in the agenda packet brief overview of the scope of w Webb and Associates, and high with various aspects of the poverview of the proposed projefrom the Board. The Board disc President Lehtonen requested Mr. John Covington and Mr. President Lehtonen requested seconded by Director Ybarra, t Water System Feasibility Student Lehtonen requested a roll call version.	staff reports of the staff rep	cort and the khart introduced Mr. Gershon's project. Mr. Sident Lehton arious aspects mment. Mr. Alton spoke. In. Director the proposed	proposed conced the topic, a r. Sam Gershor s decades of in r. Gershon gate a requested s of the propose Art Vela, City of After further of Duncan made I contract for a	tract were and gave a on of Albert volvement ve a brief comments ed project. of Banning, discussion, a motion, Backbone
	Roll Call: Director Ball Director Duncan Director Letulle Director Smith Treasurer Valdivia Director Ybarra President Lehtonen The motion passed 7-0.	Aye	Noes	Absent	Abstain
C.	Joint Funding Agreement Bette Extension of the Cooperative of draft contract were included in Agency's involvement with the long involvement with measure Agency's service area. He also cost compared to previous year President Lehtonen requested aspects of the proposed concomment. There was no public motion. Director Duncan made to approve the Joint Funding Atthe Annual Extension of the President Lehtonen requested.	Water Retained the ager USGS mounted are and in Board contract. Find a motion of the Coope a motion of the Coope a motion of the Coope and the	esources Product on the product of the product of the product of the president of the presi	gram: A staff Mr. Eckhart rev gram, noting ou the water le tract reduces USGS matchir Board discuss ntonen reques nt Lehtonen re by Vice-Presic GPWA and the	report and viewed the r decades-vel in the the overall ag amount. ed various ted public equested a lent Smith, USGS for
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Treasurer Valdivia	\boxtimes		
Director Ybarra	\boxtimes		
President Lehtonen	\boxtimes		
The motion passed 7-0.			

7. Reports - Director Reports and Committee Reports

A. 1) Director Ball attended the Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District meeting on October 28, 2021. He also attended the Financial Feasibility Committee meeting on November 2, 2021. 2) Director Ybarra attended the San Gorgonio Pass Regional Water Alliance meeting on November 3, 2021. 3) Director Smith attended the BCVWD Finance Committee meeting. 4) Treasurer Valdivia attended the Collaborative Agencies meeting on November 3, 2021, and the City of Banning Council meeting, and the Good Morning Banning Breakfast.

8. Topics for Future Agendas

President Lehtonen reminded the Board that the General Manager's Goals & Objectives still needed to be reviewed and suggested scheduling a Closed Session on December 13 for that purpose.

9. Announcements

President Lehtonen reviewed the announcements:

- Finance and Engineering Workshop, November 15, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. -Teleconference/Zoom
- B. Regular Board Meeting, November 22, 2021 at 1:30 p.m. Teleconference/Zoom
- C. The office will be closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday, Thursday, November 25 and Friday, November 26, 2021
- D. 2021 ACWA Fall Conference, November 30, 2021 through December 2, 2021
- E. Beaumont, November 11, 2021, Veteran's Day Parade

10. Closed Session

- A. Public Employee Performance Evaluation, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957, Legal Counsel
 - The Board adjourned to closed session at 2:56 p.m.
 - The Board opened the closed session at 3:02 p.m.
 - The Board adjourned from closed session at 4:08 p.m.
 - The Board reconvened to open session at 4:11 p.m.

President Lehtonen stated that the Board conducted the closed session for Item 10. A and there was no reportable action.

11. Adjournment: President Lehtonen adjourned the meeting at 4:12 p.m.

