SAN GORGONIO PASS WATER AGENCY 1210 Beaumont Avenue, Beaumont, California 92223 Minutes of the Board of Directors October 10, 2022

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.

Board Present: All participants attended by video conferencing/ teleconferencing	Larry Smith, President Mickey Valdivia, Vice President Chander Letulle, Treasurer Blair M Ball, Director Ron Duncan, Director Kevin Walton, Director
Board Absent:	Robert Ybarra, Director
Staff Present:	Lance Eckhart, General Manager

Tom Todd, Jr., Chief Financial Officer

Emmett Campbell, Sr. Water Resources Planner

Cheryle Stiff, Executive Assistant

Consultants Present: Jeff Ferre, Legal Counsel

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

The San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency Board of Directors meeting was called to order by Board President Larry Smith at 1:30 p.m., October 10, 2022, by video/teleconference. Director Duncan led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Director Duncan gave the invocation. President Smith requested a roll call.

Roll Call	Present	Absent
Director Ball	\boxtimes	
Director Duncan	\boxtimes	
Treasurer Letulle	\boxtimes	
Vice President Valdivia	a 🛛	
Director Walton	\bowtie	
Director Ybarra		\boxtimes
President Smith	\boxtimes	

A quorum was present.

2. Adoption and Adjustment of Agenda

The agenda was adopted as published.

3. Public Comment

Joyce McIntire made an announcement. There was no other public comment.

4. Consent Calendar

A. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, September 29, 2022

(4. Cont.)

Director Duncan made a motion to approve the consent calendar. Director Walton seconded the motion. President Smith requested a roll call vote.

Roll Call	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Absent
Director Ball	\boxtimes			
Director Duncan	\boxtimes			
Treasurer Letulle	\boxtimes			
Vice President Valdivia	\bowtie			
Director Walton	\boxtimes			
Director Ybarra				\boxtimes
President Smith	\boxtimes			

The motion passed, 6-0, with Director Ybarra absent.

5. Reports

- **A. General Manager's Report:** General Manager Lance Eckart and Chief Financial Officer Tom Todd provided information on the election cost for 2020. The Board asked clarifying questions and provided comments.
- **B.** Legal Counsel's Report: Mr. Ferre reviewed information on the following: SB 1157, related to urban water use; AB 2313, related to income tax exclusion for turf replacement; AB 2449, related to Brown Act provisions for teleconferencing at board meetings; SB 1100, related to public meeting disruption; and AB 2647, related to requirements for providing the public with documents that the governing body has issued for a public meeting.
- 6. Informational Presentations(s): None.

7. New Business

A. Recycled Water Program Implementation Facilitator Partnership

Mr. Eckhart informed the Board that the City of Beaumont (City) and Beaumont Cherry Valley Water District (BCVWD) have been working together to develop a local recycled water program for many years. The Agency was requested to participate in the meetings a number of months ago. The City, BCVWD, and the Agency agreed to share equally the costs associated with hiring a consultant to help facilitate and develop a local recycled water program. The City issued a Request for Qualifications; only one firm submitted an RFQ, T.R. Holliman & Associates. City staff determined that the firm was well-qualified, and the fee proposal was reasonable. The City and BCVWD have both approved the associated cost-share. The cost to the Agency would be one-third of \$172,000, which is \$57,333. This is not a budgeted item. President Smith requested Board comment. The Board asked clarifying questions. Mayor Colleen Wallace (City of Banning) provided public comment. After discussion, Director Duncan made a motion to authorize a budget expenditure of \$57,333 for the Recycled Water Vice President Valdivia seconded the Program Implementation Facilitator. motion. President Smith requested a roll call vote.

(7A. cont.)

Roll Call	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Absent
Director Ball				
Director Duncan	\boxtimes			
Treasurer Letulle	\boxtimes			
Vice President Valdivia	\boxtimes			
Director Walton	\boxtimes			
Director Ybarra				\boxtimes
President Smith	\boxtimes			

The motion passed, 6-0, with Director Ybarra absent.

8. Reports

A. Directors and Committee Reports

Director Ball reported on:

BCVWD Finance & Audit Committee meeting, October 6, 2022

Director Letulle reported on:

Best Best & Krieger's Ethics Training class, September 9, 2022

Vice President Valdivia reported on:

Special District Association of Riverside County, September 30, 2022

Director Walton reported on:

- Advocate with HOA's for turf replacement
- Beaumont City Council Meeting

President Smith reported on:

- City of Banning Council meeting
- Webinar Southern California Water Coalition

9. Topics for Future Agendas

Vice President Valdivia requested additional information on SB 1100 and a timeline for Board room completion. He also requested formalization of a 3x2 for the Recycled Water Program.

10. Announcements

President Smith reviewed the announcements:

- A. Water Conservation and Education Committee Meeting, October 11, 2022 at 1:30 p.m. Teleconference/Zoom
- B. Finance and Engineering Workshop, October 17, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.
 - Teleconference/Zoom
- C. Regular Board Meeting, October 24, 2022 at 1:30 p.m.
 - Teleconference/Zoom

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11. Adjournment

President Smith adjourned the meeting at 2:33 p.m.

Lance Éckhart, Secretary of the Board

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