

San Geronio Pass Water Agency

DATE: June 26, 2023
TO: Board of Directors
FROM: Lance Eckhart, General Manager
BY: Cheryle Stiff, Executive Assistant
SUBJECT: Adoption of Ordinance 18 Establishing New Times and Dates for Board Meetings and Affirming the Place of Board Meetings

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board take action to adopt Ordinance No. 18.

PREVIOUS CONSIDERATION

- Board of Directors – May 15, 2023: The Board reviewed and discussed the proposed meeting dates and times. After Board input, it was the consensus of the Board to consider this item at a future meeting.
- Board of Directors – June 12, 2023: The Board reviewed and discussed the proposed meeting dates and times. After Board input, it was the consensus of the Board to vote on Ordinance 18 at the next regular Board meeting.

BACKGROUND

The Board requested a review of meeting times and dates and inquired if the Agency business be done with fewer meetings. At the May 15th Board meeting, an option was provided to hold two meetings per month and eliminate the workshop. The Board requested a future meeting on this topic to give all board members time to review the option. At the June 12th Board meeting, the Board examined different options, agreed to two Board meetings, and eliminated the workshop. The first meeting will be held on the first Monday of the month at 1:30 p.m. The second meeting will be held on the third Monday at 6:00 p.m.

ACTION

The Board considers adopting Ordinance 18 to establish the new meeting times and dates and affirm the place of the Board meetings.

ATTACHMENTS

Ordinance 18

**SAN GORGONIO PASS WATER AGENCY
ORDINANCE NO. 18**

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING NEW TIMES AND
DATES FOR BOARD MEETINGS AND AFFIRMING THE
PLACE OF BOARD MEETINGS**

WHEREAS, the San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency (“Agency”) is a State Water Project Contractor and wholesale water agency organized and operating under the Chapter 101 of the San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency Law set forth in the Water Code Appendix (“Law”). Section 11 of the Law provides that the Board of Directors shall provide for the time and place of holding its meetings and the manner in which its special meetings may be called; and

WHEREAS, the Board has adopted a number of ordinances and resolutions over the years designating changes in the date, time and place of Board meetings; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to change the times and dates for Board meetings as set forth below and to affirm the place of Board meetings. The Board desires to take this action in order to have, in one ordinance, all of the information as to the time, place and dates of regular meetings; and

WHEREAS, the Board has the authority under the Law, and pursuant to the requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act (Government Code Section 54950 et seq.), to change the date, time, and/or place of Board meetings for a particular meeting or on a more permanent basis so long as certain procedures are followed; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to change the meeting time of one of the two Board meetings each month and to cease the use of a separate workshop meeting for engineering and finance/budget matters. Such matters will be addressed as part of Board meetings from time to time.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SAN GORGONIO PASS WATER AGENCY AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1 Incorporation Of Recitals All of the foregoing Recitals are true and correct and the Board so finds and determines. The Recitals set forth above are incorporated herein and made an operative part of this Ordinance.

Section 2 Place Of Board Meetings Board Meetings shall be held at the Agency offices located at 1210 Beaumont Avenue, Beaumont, CA.

Section 3 Regular Board Meetings Regular meetings of the Board shall convene on the following dates and times:

The first Monday of each month at 1:30 PM; and
The third Monday of each month at 6:00 PM.

Section 4 Ending the Use of a Combined Engineering and Finance/Budget Workshop
As of July 1, 2023, meetings of the Combined Engineering and Finance/Budget Workshop shall no longer be scheduled as separate meetings. However, such topics may be addressed in Regular Board meetings and/or addressed in special meetings in accordance with the Brown Act.

Section 5 Ordinance To Be Controlling All ordinances, resolutions, or other Board actions, or parts thereof, that are inconsistent with any provision of this Ordinance are hereby superseded to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 6 New Schedule Commences As Of July 1, 2023 The President of the Board of Directors shall sign this Ordinance and the Secretary of the Board of Directors shall attest thereto, and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect immediately upon adoption. The new dates and times of Board meetings, as set forth herein, shall go into effect as of July 1, 2023 and shall apply to the applicable meetings scheduled after July 1, 2023.

Section 7 Severability If any section, subsection, clause or phrase in this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid, the validity of the remainder of this Ordinance shall not be affected thereby. The Board hereby declares that it would have passed this Ordinance and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases or the application thereof be held invalid.

ADOPTED this 26th day of June 2023, by the Board of Directors of the San Geronio Pass Water Agency.

SAN GORGONIO PASS WATER AGENCY

Larry Smith
President of the Board of Directors

ATTEST:

Robert Ybarra
Secretary of the Board of Directors