October 22, 2018, 9:00 a.m.
Sites Project Authority
Minutes

The Sites Project Authority Board of Directors met in Regular Session on October 22, 2018 at the hour of 1:30 p.m. Directors Present: Fritz Durst, Chair, Jeff Sutton, Don Bransford, Jim Jones, Greg Johnson, Doug Parker, Zachary Dennis, Dan Ruiz, Joe Marsh. Directors Absent: Gary Evans, Leigh McDaniel, Jeff Harris. Alternate Directors Present: Michael Azevedo, Colusa County, Logan Dennis, Glenn Colusa Irrigation District, Bill Busath, City of Sacramento/Sacramento County Water Agency, Shelly Murphy, Colusa County Water District. Associate Member Present: Mary Wells.

Staff Present: Jim Watson, General Manager,
Ernest Conant, Counsel.
Kevin Spesert, Joe Trapasso, Rob Thomson.

Jamie Traynham, Treasurer.
Yolanda Tirado, Clerk.

Others Present: Scott Brown, LWA.
Grace Lui, Fugro.
Kim Floyd, KFC/K&A.
Jeff Herrin, AECOM.
Ellen Cross, Kearns & West.
Linc To, HDR.
David Gutierrez, GEI.
Juleah Cordi, Assemblyman Gallagher’s Office.
Emil Cavagvilo, OAWD.
Pledge of Allegiance.

**INTRODUCTIONS:**

Chairman Durst asked those present to introduce themselves.

**AGENDA APPROVAL:**

It was moved by Director Jones, seconded by Director Johnson to approve the October 22, 2018 Sites Project Authority Agenda. Motion carried: All Directors present voted yes.

**MINUTES APPROVAL:**

It was moved by director Jones, seconded by Director Parker to approve the September 17, 2018 Sites Project Authority Minutes, as presented. Motion carried: All Directors present voted yes.

**PERIOD OF PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Chairman Durst called for public comment. Hearing none, he closed the period of public comment.

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION:**

Chairman Durst announced the following Closed Session matters would be heard after Regular Session:

- Conference with legal counsel regarding significant exposure to litigation or adjudicatory proceedings (Govt. Code 54956.9(d) (2) and (4)) (1 item).

**CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS (Govt Code Sec. 54956.8).** Parcels 001-1130-011, 011-150-017, and 001-150-018. Agency Negotiator: Kevin Spesert. Negotiating Parties: Shirley Jean Jensen. Terms and conditions for temporary rights of entry for technical surveys.

1. **BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:** *(No action will be taken)*

   None.

2. **CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT:**

   Chairman Durst stated the next four or five months would be very important due to the new leaders in Federal government.

3. **MANAGER'S REPORT:**

   3.1 Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding the General Manager's Monthly Status Report. *(Attachment 3-1A)*
Mr. Watson provided an overview and review of activities conducted during the month of September 2018. Brief discussion followed, with no action taken.

3.2 Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding Proposition 1 WSIP application activities.

Mr. Watson provided an overview of the Proposition 1 WSIP application and stated no specifics were provided by the California Water Commission. Brief discussion followed, with no action taken.

3.3 Discussion and possible direction to staff on ongoing U.S. Bureau of Reclamation activities and WIIN Act Funding.

Mr. Watson provided an overview of continued activities and coordination with Reclamation and efforts to secure WIIN Acting Funding. Brief discussion followed regarding the final Feasibility Report, with no action taken.

3.4 Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding status of the USDA Rural Development Community Facilities Loan application.

Mr. Watson stated there was nothing to report on the USDA application for the Maxwell Water Intertie (MWI) project at this time.

3.5 Consider approval of the proposed 2019 meeting calendar.

(Attachment 3-5A)

Action: It was moved by Director Bransford, seconded by Director Sutton to approve the 2019 Sites Authority Board Meeting Calendar. Motion carried: All Directors present voted yes.

4. 2018 FINANCE & BUDGET AD HOC COMMITTEE:

4.1 Consider acceptance of the Treasurer’s Report. (Attachment 4-1A)

Action: It was moved by Director Sutton, seconded by Director Jones to accept the Treasurer’s Report, as presented. Motion carried: All Directors present voted yes.

4.2 Consider approval of the Payment of Claims. (Attachment 4-2A, B, & C)

Action: It was moved by Director Johnson, seconded by Director Bransford to approve the Payment of Claims, as presented. Motion carried: All Directors present voted yes.

4.3 Consider approval of joining the Association of California Water Agencies/Joint Powers Insurance Authority’s (ACWA/JPIA) Property Program for 2019 property insurance coverage. (Attachment 4-3A & B)

Action: It was moved by Director Bransford, seconded by Director Parker to approve/adopt Resolution No. 2018-02, A Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Sites Project Authority Consenting to Enter the Joint Protection Programs of the Association of California Water Agencies/Joint Powers Insurance Authority (ACWA/JPIA) and authorize
the Secretary of the Sites Project Authority to sign the Resolution. Motion carried: All Directors present voted yes.

**Action:** It was moved by Director Sutton, seconded by Director Bransford to approve payment of premium in the amount of $500.00 to the ACWA/JPIA for the 2019 property insurance coverage. Motion carried: All Directors present voted yes.

5. **PHASE 1 RESERVOIR COMMITTEE:**

5.1 Report on the October 18, 2018 Reservoir Committee Meeting. *(Attachment 3-5A)*

Mr. Watson provided an overview of actions approved and matters discussed at the October 18, 2018 Reservoir Committee Meeting.

5.2 Discussion and possible direction to staff on activities regarding proposed changes to the Phase 2 Work Plan, technical effort, associated near-term funding, the proposed Phase 2 Reservoir Project Agreement and consider approval of a 1-month time extension to the completion of Phase 1 from February 28, 2018 to March 31, 2018.

Mr. Watson provided an overview and review of activities regarding proposed changes to the Phase 2 Work Plan, technical effort, associated near-term funding, the proposed Phase 2 Reservoir Project Agreement and a 1-month time extension to the completion of Phase 1 from February 28, 2018 to March 31, 2018.

A lengthy discussion followed regarding comparisons between Plans A through D, cash calls vs financing, expanding participation, with no action taken.

5.3 Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding the Project Development Support Services RFQ and consider approval of the staff recommendation to postpone or cancel the evaluation of submittals for Service Area E (Environmental Planning) and Service Area H (Engineering Services). *(Attachment 5-2A).*

**Action:** It was moved by Director Bransford, seconded by Director Johnson to accept the Reservoir Committee's recommendation to postpone the evaluation of submittals for Service Area E (Environmental Planning) and Service Area H (Engineering Services). Motion carried: All Directors present voted yes.

6. **PHASE 1 MEMBERSHIP & GOVERNANCE AD HOC COMMITTEE:**

Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding the status of participation in the Authority and/or Reservoir Committee.

Mr. Watson provided an overview of interest in participation by private Landowners in the Authority and/or Reservoir Committee. He stated he sent them copies of the Phase 1 and Phase 2 Agreements and that he would be scheduling meetings with them the following week.
7. **PHASE 1 LEGISLATIVE & OUTREACH AD HOC COMMITTEE:**

Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding the status of federal and state legislative activities and the Project's public outreach efforts.

Director Sutton provided an overview of federal and state legislative activities and the Project's public outreach efforts. Brief discussion followed with no action taken.

8. **PHASE 1 LAND USE AD HOC COMMITTEE:**

Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding the status of engagement and outreach efforts to local agencies related to impacts or changes in land use.

None.

9. **PHASE 1 COORDINATION COMMITTEES:**

Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding the status of engagement and outreach efforts related to the following areas:

- **Tribal Officials**
  
  Mr. Spesert stated plans are in the works to meet with the Tribes.

- **Landowner and Community Interests**
  
  None.

- **Environmental Interests**
  
  None.

- **Business & Labor Interests**
  
  None.

Chairman Durst declared a recess at 10:25 a.m., to convene into Closed Session for the following matters:

Conference with legal counsel regarding significant exposure to litigation or adjudicatory proceedings (Govt. Code 54956.9(d) (2) and (4)) (1 item).

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The Board reconvened to Regular Session at 11:29 a.m. Mr. Conant stated there was no reportable action taken.
Chairman Durst adjourned the meeting at 11:30 a.m., to reconvene on November 19, 2018 at the hour of 1:30 p.m.

Fritz Durst, Chairman

Yolanda Tirado, Clerk to the Sites Project Authority Board