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West Valley Water Association

**WEST VALLEY WATER ASSOCIATION
PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING**

Summary of the May 24, 2018 Planning Committee Meeting held at Glendale's OASIS Water Campus, 7070 W Northern Ave, Glendale.

PLANNING COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Christine Nunez, City of Surprise, Chair
Drew Swieczkowski, City of Glendale, Acting
Robert Romo, Arizona Water Company
Lacey James, City of Avondale
Ron Whittler, City of Buckeye (by phone)

Gretchen Erwin, City of Goodyear
Alex Richards, City of Phoenix
Joel Wade, Liberty Utilities
Frank Milam, City of Phoenix

INTERESTED PARTIES

John Rasmussen, Reclamation
Jay Corum, Reclamation

Heide Kocsis, Arizona State Land Dept
Stuart Peckham, SRP

1. **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 2:10 pm by Drew Swieczkowski, Acting Chair, in Chairman Nunez' absence until she arrived.

2. **Approval of Minutes**

Acting Chair Drew Swieczkowski asked for a motion to approve the meeting notes from the April 15, 2018 Planning Committee meeting. Frank Milam moved to approve and Alan Dulaney seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

3. **Reports**

Treasurer's Report: Teresa stated that EPCOR provided a current statement, and the current balance is \$25,528.77. There is one outstanding dues from last year, so Teresa will follow up with EPCOR to resend the invoice.

Executive Director's Report: Teresa Makinen said she was given good feedback regarding the strategic planning meeting which will be discussed later, and the Board will have to ratify the mission they developed at that meeting. She explained that today's agenda is a result of that meeting. Teresa asked the committee members if anything should be added to future agendas, please let her know.

4. **Reclamation**

John Rasmussen provided an update regarding the status of WVWA's extension, saying it should be signed in the next week to a month, and that it would extend to 2020.

Also, the last time this meeting sent data to Nathan was April 17th, and the goal is to discuss results of the data with Nathan in June. Teresa will get in contact with Nathan. Joel Wade added that he would like Liberty Utilities' data applied to the study, and Drew recommended that he and Nathan have a discussion regarding that. Teresa will send Joel the contact information of Nathan.

It was additionally brought up that the basin study needs to reach out to the public and the basin study stakeholder group now that we're progressing more. Jay has received information from Nathan, and should have information prepared for a future WVWA meeting. John added that we need to translate population analysis for the economic analysis, and he would reach out to Ken Seasholes to help him do so.

5. Election of Officers

Teresa Makinen stated that the Planning Committee needs to nominate and elect a vice-chair. Acting Chair Swieczkowski asked for nominations of self or others. Two nominations were received: Frank Milam nominated Ron Whitley, and Joel Wade nominated himself. After a written vote, four votes for Ron and two votes for Joel, Ron Whitley was elected Vice-Chair of the Planning Committee.

6. Strategic Planning Meeting Follow-Up

Teresa Makinen stated that the results of the strategic planning meeting was that the members are interested in hearing of topics, issues, or points of interest that may be worthwhile things to hear about. They added that these don't have to be outside presenters as there is a lot of "in-house" talent around so we should also hear from the different members' organizations on specific topics if they have information to share. Teresa asked the Planning Committee to help think of topics or presenters that may be of interest, so this can be shared with the Board to see what their priorities are for speakers. The following were provided:

- Subsidence
- Advance Oxidation or Contaminants of Emerging Concern
- Future Supplies (Source Waters)
- APS – PVNGS
- PFOA
- PFOX
- GROWS – SRP
- Mitigation Strategies
- AMWUA
- Water Bank Recovery Planning Process
- DPR
- Desal
- Drought Messaging
- Private Water Issues – ACC
- Non-Revenue Water Loss & M36 Program
- Support of DCP
- Repeal of Effluent Sunset 2025
- Water Asset Management

It was agreed upon that of those topics, drought messaging was a very important one to reach consensus about and would be a topic of discussion at the next Planning Committee meeting. Teresa thanked committee members for their input, and asked if there are any other ideas, to please send them her way.

7. Organization Administration

Acting Chair Swieczkowski stated that he and several others had a discussion about the director's contract and appreciate her work. However, with the additional services she provides, adjustments will have to be made regarding the contract, and there will be additional organizational work.

Alan Dulaney provided information regarding the accounting needs and asked if there is an assigned Treasurer, to which Teresa replied that the by-laws call for a Secretary/Treasurer which hasn't been elected yet by the Board. However, for the interim, the multi-party agreement is still in effect so rather than take on the accounting task for now, we could continue as we have in the past with a fiscal agent for this next round of dues. Teresa stated that she'll contact EPCOR and look into it, and see if the Board would like to consider a Treasurer position be elected.

8. Other Association Updates

Teresa stated that at the Strategic Planning Meeting, the attendees said it would be nice to have updates from other associations, so asked the Planning Committee if they would like to designate specific members to bring back reports and by which organizations. After some discussions, Drew agreed to bring back reports from AMWUA and Joel stated that he'll provide information from AZ Water.

9. Legislative/Regulatory Update

Adam Dulaney provided a legislative update.

10. New Business

The next Planning Committee agenda should include Drought Messaging.

11. Call to the Public

None

12. Member Updates – Cascading Messages

Members provided any updates from their organizations.

13. Next Meeting and Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:01 pm. Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday June 14, 2018 at 1:30 pm at Oasis Water Campus.