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West Valley Water Association

WEST VALLEY WATER ASSOCIATION
PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

Summary of the March 9th, 2017 Planning Committee Meeting held at City of Glendale Oasis Water Campus, 7070 W. Northern Ave, Glendale. **Throughout this meeting summary, action items are in bold font.**

PLANNING COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Jake Lenderking, EPCOR
Ron Whitler, City of Buckeye
Christine Nunez, City of Surprise
Robert Romo, Arizona Water Company
Bryce Bragelman, City of Tolleson

Drew Swieczkowski, City of Glendale
Alan Dulaney, City of Peoria
Douglas Frost, City of Phoenix
Gary Gin, City of Phoenix

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Doug Kupel, City of Glendale

INTERESTED PARTIES

John Rasmussen, Reclamation
Deborah Toslin, Reclamation
Nathan Miller, Southwest Groundwater
Steve Noel, Southwest Groundwater
Ken Seasholes, CAP

Angie Lohse, CAP
Heide Kocsis, ASLD
Don Breeding, MWD
Stuart Peckham, SRP
David Prinzhorn, Civiltec Engineering

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:37pm.

2. Approval of Minutes

Jake Lenderking moved to approve the meeting notes from the February 9, 2017 Planning Committee meeting, and Christine Nunez seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Reports

Executive Director's Report

Teresa Makinen said that the website WestValleyWaterAssociation.org and WestValleyWater.org have been secured and it now directs to the former WESTCAPS website. Drew Swieczkowski asked if **WVWA.com, .net or .us were available, and Teresa said she would check.** Next, Teresa shared that there were no real changes regarding the by-laws that were reviewed by the management committee members, and Doug Kupel is now working to get this finalized and wants to be finished by the next management committee meeting.

Teresa stated that Liberty Utilities, through Mike Weber, has expressed an interest in joining WVWA. The process for membership is for the Planning Committee to first approve the request and make the recommendation to the Management Committee. Next, Teresa reminded all that during the last meeting, the committee voted to have the treasurer's report quarterly, which is why it is not on today's agenda. Finally, Teresa shared that at the Management Committee meeting, it was recognized that we have a lot of meetings and need to focus more, which is why we're bringing the basin study discussions into the Planning Committee meeting.

Drew added that our goal is to further grow the West Valley Water Association which includes funding, but our funding is limited so how much can we realistically accomplish, noting the need to discuss how to raise funds. Christine stated that she went to the City of Surprises' graphic designer and would like to hold a meeting that all are invited to join, to review the suggestions for WVWA's new logo. **Christine asked Teresa to send the logo suggestions to her**, because she was unable to pull them off the website without receiving an error message.

4. New Member Consideration: Liberty Utilities

Drew stated that the Planning Committee has been asked to consider Liberty Utilities for membership. Alan Dulaney moved to recommend to the Management Committee that Liberty Utilities be approved for membership. Christine Nunez seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

5. BOR Report

John Rasmussen shared an update on the basin study, including the project goals, the next steps, and the need for help with the text on existing and past studies. Drew mentioned that Mark Holmes is offering to help and encouraged John to let us know how we can all help. Further discussions included the need for a detailed outline which would help assign writing tasks and the need to follow the USBR guidelines.

Next, Nathan Miller presented the initial modeling scenario results. During the discussion, Ken Seasholes suggested a comparison map, citing the difference between scenarios A and D (delta map). Jake suggested comparisons or data points showing the key differences and assumptions to share with the decision makers. Further discussion included what the model includes, what it doesn't include, and how far out the model calculates. Southwest Groundwater is contracted for seven scenarios with an April deadline, and Teresa asked what information does the group need to provide to help Nathan with the next steps. Nathan said that Ken provided him with the scenarios needed, and what those scenarios encompass. **Nathan said he has a good start to a draft, including the different scenarios and the background of the model, and will send out to the group for comments.** Drew asked for a quick review and response from the group. John shared that Nathan should follow his standard practices for his report and it will be included as an appendix. Steve Noel said that Southwest Groundwater could put together an executive summary for the text, and attach it to the report. Deborah Tosline said that it's important to look at the directives and standards, and **Drew asked John to send the directives and standards to Teresa to be put on the website for review.** Teresa asked if those have changed recently, and John said that there have been updates on them. Teresa next asked about the current supply study, is there anything the members can be pulling together for that report and John

said he has some but not all, and will check to see what he needs. Nathan shared that a sensitivity analysis will be included with the report. Teresa mentioned that ADWR is always on the meeting invites. Nathan stated he should be able to provide a draft report with scenarios run results by early April, but can also send out ahead of time to the members for review. Deborah Tosline asked how the scenario results will be shared with the group and Nathan said that he will include them in the draft report. **Nathan also said he will send out the recommended runs and the deltas early next week.** Steve said that they will show the presentation to the management committee even if it is after the contract end date.

6. Strategic Planning Team Updates

Robert Romo shared a brief update, and the **teams were asked to be prepared to share any updates and recommendations on priorities and work at the next planning committee meetings.**

7. Legislative/Regulatory Update

Alan Dulaney provided a legislative update.

8. New Business

Teresa asked John about the basin study advisory group, and wondered if after the modeling study is completed that we may want to schedule a meeting.

Teresa also shared that she attended the West Valley Mayor and Manager's meeting, giving them an update on the by-laws for turning into a corporation. She also shared with them the name change to West Valley Water Association and a small update regarding the Water Leader's Summit.

Christine Nunez added that if anyone wants to be a part of the logo meeting to please email her.

9. Member Updates

Members wishing to provide information to the committee did so.

10. Next Meeting and Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:17 pm. The next Planning Committee meeting will be held on April 13th, 2017 at 1:00pm.