

### **FINAL MINUTES**

# Water Supply Planning Committee of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District

May 7, 2012

### Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 am in the District's conference room.

Committee members present: Bob Brower, Chair

Jeanne Byrne David Pendergrass

Staff members present: David Stoldt, General Manager

Larry Hampson, Acting Planning & Engineering

Manager/District Engineer

Rachel Martinez, Community Relations Liaison

Arlene Tavani, Executive Assistant

District Counsel present: David C. Laredo

### **Comments from the Public**

No comments.

#### **Action Items**

1. Adopt Minutes of November 22, 2011 and April 9, 2012 Committee Meetings
On a motion by Pendergrass and second of Byrne, the minutes were adopted unanimously
on a vote of 3 – 0.

# 2. Review and Develop Recommendation on FY 2013 Capital Improvement Plan

Stoldt reviewed the draft Capital Improvement Plan with the committee and responded to questions. Brower submitted a draft editorial for the Monterey County Herald, to be submitted under the name of the Water Supply Planning Committee. The committee reviewed the draft editorial and suggested that changes be made. On a motion by Byrne and second of Pendergrass, the committee recommended that the Board approve the FY 2013 Capital Improvement Plan with edits, and that the draft editorial be modified and submitted to the Monterey County Herald for publication. The motion was approved unanimously on a vote of 3-0.

3. Review and Develop Recommendation on MPWMD Response or Position on California American Water CPUC Application for Monterey Peninsula Water Supply Project

On a motion by Byrne and second of Pendergrass, the committee agreed on a unanimous vote of 3 – 0, that District Counsel should develop a draft petition to intervene for review

by the full Board. The petition should express support for the Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control District (MRWPCA) Groundwater Replenishment Project, aquifer storage and recovery, and desalination, and describe the District's unique capability to facilitate project development through public financing, implementation and governance.

#### **Discussion Items**

# 4. Consider the Role of the MPWMD as the Public Partner for the Desalination Project

Stoldt presented a staff report dated April 1, 2003 from Curtis Weeks to the Monterey County Board of Supervisors that included a memorandum from Acting County Counsel stating that the County ordinance relating to ownership and operation of desalination facilities by public entities are ambiguous and subject to interpretation. Stoldt asked the committee if they would recommend that the Board adopt a resolution or statement confirming that if there was a need for a public proponent for a desalination project, the District should be that public entity. The committee concluded that there was no need for the Board to adopt a statement, and that the District's request for intervener status should be sufficient to express the District's intent with regards to water project development.

## **Progress Reports**

5. Update on Water Projects 1 and 2, Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR) – Status of Injection Operations

No discussion.

# 6. Update on Discussions with Monterey Regional Water Pollution Control Agency on Groundwater Replenishment Project

Stoldt noted that the MOU for development of the Groundwater Replenishment Project had been signed by Cal-Am, MRWPCA and the District. The next step will be for the District to achieve funding through the proposed Proposition 218 user fee initiative.

# 7. Update on Activities of Cities JPA Technical Advisory Committee

Stoldt submitted for committee review a draft document titled Monterey Peninsula Water Supply System Sizing, that he prepared at the request of the Cities JPA TAC for review at its meeting of May 7, 2012. He described this as a cursory analysis, and noted that the estimates of water production and average annual demand correlated with estimates Cal-Am had developed. Stoldt stated that an Engineer's Report could eventually be conducted to confirm the accuracy of his estimates.

# Suggestions from the Public on Water Supply Project Alternatives

No discussion.

#### **Other Items**

No discussion.

### **Set Date for Next Committee Meeting**

The meeting was scheduled for Thursday, June 7, 2012 at 8 am in the District conference room.

**Adjournment** The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 am.

