



BEAUMONT-CHERRY VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
560 Magnolia Avenue, Beaumont, CA 92223

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Wednesday, January 12, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.**

*Meeting held in person and via teleconference pursuant to
California Government Code Section 54950 et. seq. and under the
provisions of Assembly Bill 361 and BCVWD Resolution 2021-21*

Call to Order: *President Williams opened the meeting at 6:08 p.m.*

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Director Hoffman.

Invocation was given by President Williams.

Announcement of Teleconference Participation

Director of Finance and Administrative Services Kirene Manini, PhD clarified that this meeting is conducted via teleconference pursuant to California Government Code Section 54953, and under the provisions of AB 361.

Roll Call:

Directors present:	Covington, Hoffman, Ramirez, Williams
Directors absent:	Slawson
Staff present:	General Manager Dan Jagers Director of Engineering Mark Swanson Director of Finance and Administrative Services Kirene Manini, PhD Human Resources Coordinator Sabrina Foley Director of Information Technology Robert Rasha Administrative Assistant Cenica Smith
Legal Counsel	James Markman

Members of the public who registered attendance: Ash Etemadian, Andrew Newell, Dr. Blair Ball.

Public Comment: None.

1. Adjustments to the Agenda:

General Manager Dan Jagers recommended removal of Item 3 as the Board took action on the item at the January 11, 2022 Special Meeting.

Jagers also identified that Staff Report Item 11 is missing its header information.

2. Status of Local Emergency regarding the Impact of the Respiratory Illness Pandemic COVID-19 pursuant to Resolution 2020-07

General Manager Jagers advised that the District office has reverted to being closed to the public this week due to staffing issues in front desk operations. He said he hopes to return to an open office as quickly as possible once the surge in COVID-19 cases subsides. He assured that staff is working hard to serve the public.

Riverside County case numbers have increased, as they have across the country, Jagers noted, and hospitals are being impacted, although less than last year.

The Board has also returned to virtual-only meetings, Jagers pointed out, and recommended continuing the practice to protect the Board and staff at least until the January 27 Engineering Workshop. He requested Board input.

Directors concurred on continuing virtually through January and reassessing for the February meetings.

3. Resolution 2022-__ Authorizing Public Meetings to be Held via Teleconferencing Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e) and Making Findings and Determinations Regarding the Same

This item was removed from the agenda.

4. Consent Calendar:

The following Consent Calendar items were approved with one motion:

- a. Review of the November 2021 Budget Variance Reports
- b. Review of the November 30, 2021 Cash/Investment Balance Report
- c. Review of Check Register for the Month of December 2021
- d. Review of December 2021 Invoices Pending Approval
- e. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 8, 2021
- f. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 21, 2021

MOVED: Covington	SECONDED: Hoffman	APPROVED 4-0
AYES:	Covington, Hoffman, Ramirez, Williams	
NOES:	None	
ABSTAIN:	None	
ABSENT:	Slawson	

5. Presidential Appointment of Ad Hoc Committee members

President Williams established the following ad hoc committees for 2022:

- Ad Hoc Bogart Park Committee
- Ad Hoc Communications Committee
- Ad Hoc Sites Reservoir Committee
- Ad Hoc Water Re-Use 2x2 Committee

Committee appointments were tabled to the meeting of January 27, 2022.

6. Request for *Will Serve Letter* for a Proposed Gas Station, Car Wash, and Fast-Food Restaurant located on Desert Lawn Drive, southeast of Oak Valley Parkway in the City of Beaumont

Director of Engineering Mark Swanson advised of the planned commercial development near Oak Valley Parkway and Desert Lawn Drive adjacent to the I-10 freeway. It includes a gas station / convenience store, car wash, and a fast food restaurant. Desert Lawn Drive, in which the District has an 18-inch water line, would be realigned by the developer, he explained.

Staff worked with the developer and provided analysis on water consumption on similar developments. He pointed to the water consumption of 15.9 EDUs, plus .3 EDUs estimated irrigation consumption for a total of 16.2 EDUs. Irrigation would be from the domestic line, there are no plans to extend non-potable along this road, Swanson stated.

Staff has completed the first plan check and provided comments to the developer, Swanson explained.

Director Covington asked about where water service would originate. Swanson explained the realignment of the 18-inch waterline which would provide service. Mr. Jagers reiterated there is no non-potable line planned.

Director Williams asked about recycling of the car wash water. Developer Mr. Ash Etemadian assured that the car wash uses reclaimed water. Mr. Jagers added that State law requires all new car wash facilities have a recycling facility to minimize water loss.

Staff responded to inquiry from Director Covington regarding utilization of non-potable water. Swanson noted that on this side of Oak Valley Parkway there is no non-potable system and there is not sufficient demand in the area to warrant a line across the Interstate. If there is a master plan to bring non-potable water to an area, staff conditions developments based on the plan.

The Board approved the request for Will Serve Letter for a proposed commercial development consisting of a gas station/convenience store, car wash and a fast food restaurant located on Desert Lawn Drive, southwest of Oak Valley Parkway, on Riverside County Assessor's Parcel Nos. 414-090-005 and 414-090-007 within the City of Beaumont, subject to payment of all fees to the District and securing all approvals from the City of Beaumont by the following roll-call vote:

MOVED: Hoffman	SECONDED: Covington	APPROVED 4-0
AYES:	Covington, Hoffman, Ramirez, Williams	
NOES:	None	
ABSTAIN:	None	
ABSENT:	Slawson	

7. Request for *Will Serve Letter* and Annexation Approval for a Proposed Industrial Building Development Project – West 1st Street, East of Veile Street and West of California Avenue in the City of Beaumont (Riverside County Assessor's Parcel No. 417-150-015)

Director of Engineering Mark Swanson advised this is a proposed industrial building. The parcel is not currently within the District's boundary, but is within the Sphere of Influence (SOI). This is a request for annexation and a *Will Serve Letter*, he explained.

The development is comprised of three suites totaling about 16,800 square feet, Swanson continued, and described the building. Staff requested the applicant provide the water use, and they estimated 1,420 gallons per day (gpd) (2.5 EDUs) plus non-potable demand estimated at 192 gpd (.3 EDUs), for total consumption of 2.8 EDUs, Swanson said.

A 24-inch non-potable transmission main is located in 1st Street, as well as a 12-inch domestic potable line from which the development can take service, Swanson explained.

As a small project, a Water Supply Assessment (WSA) is not required, but a plan of service has been submitted for review, Swanson noted. The effort to move through the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) annexation process is on the developer, he added.

The Board approved the request for water service Will Serve Letter and annexation for a proposed industrial building project located along West 1st Street east of Veile Avenue and west of California Avenue, identified as APN 417-150-015 within the City of Beaumont by the following roll-call vote:

MOVED: Ramirez	SECONDED: Covington	APPROVED 4-0
AYES:	Covington, Hoffman, Ramirez, Williams	
NOES:	None	
ABSTAIN:	None	
ABSENT:	Slawson	

8. Request for *Will Serve Letter* for a Proposed Coffee Shop to be located at 449 E. 4th Street, East of Beaumont Avenue (APN 418-190-003) in the City of Beaumont

Director of Engineering Mark Swanson advised that this is the location of the former (now unoccupied) Denny's Restaurant, now proposed for a Starbucks with drive-thru and dining room. The existing building would be demolished and replaced with new construction.

Swanson stated that the applicant provided estimated usage of 4,000 gpd (6.9 EDUs). The current infrastructure is a 6-inch domestic steel water line in front of the parcel and there is an existing meter. There is no non-potable system in the area, he added. As identified in the District's master plan, a new 12-inch line will be required to be extended across the property frontage as part of the project conditions, Swanson noted.

Staff researched the consumption of the Denny's Restaurant average over five to six years until 2017 and identified use of 3.9 EDUs. This development would

impact the District by that net differential: 3 EDUs above what the Denny's was consuming, Swanson explained.

The Board approved the request for water service Will Serve Letter for the proposed coffee shop located at 449 E. 4th Street, east of Beaumont Avenue (APN 418-190-003) within the City of Beaumont by the following roll-call vote:

MOVED: Hoffman	SECONDED: Ramirez	APPROVED 4-0
AYES:	Covington, Hoffman, Ramirez, Williams	
NOES:	None	
ABSTAIN:	None	
ABSENT:	Slawson	

9. Consideration of Attendance at Upcoming Events and Authorization of Reimbursement and Per Diem

General Manager Jagers reviewed the listed events and advised of an additional event, with more information forthcoming.

In response to Dr. Manini, no directors indicated intent to attend the Beaumont Chamber of Commerce breakfast.

10. Consideration of a Motion to Ratify Prior Approval and Again Approve an Amendment to the Contract Providing for the Delivery of General Manager Services to Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District by Dan Jagers

General Manager Jagers advised the Board of need to ratify the action of the Board.

The Board approved adjustments to the compensation of the general manager and a corresponding amendment to the contract for a 2.5 percent cost of living salary adjustment / merit increase as of January 1, 2022 by the following roll-call vote:

MOVED: Hoffman	SECONDED: Ramirez	APPROVED 4-0
AYES:	Covington, Hoffman, Ramirez, Williams	
NOES:	None	
ABSTAIN:	None	
ABSENT:	Slawson	

11. Continued Review of Anticipated California Drought Conditions, District Urban Water Management Plan Drought Restrictions and BCVWD Resolution 2014-05 Regarding Issuance of Will-Serve Letters and Other Drought Response

General Manager Jagers noted that the rains have helped Northern California quite a bit, but it does not mean that the problems are fixed, and additional moisture and snowpack is needed. He advised that potential actions will be discussed in February as there will be a real understanding of the moisture content in California.

As of December, the snowpacks were above average, and reservoirs are filling, Jagers noted.

12. Status of Declared Local Emergencies related to Fires

a. Impact of the Apple Fire pursuant to Resolution 2020-17

b. Impact of the El Dorado Fire pursuant to Resolution 2020-20

Mr. Jagers advised that additional information on collaborative efforts will be presented at the Engineering Workshop, and noted the recent storm events.

The rainfall event of November 23 to 26 required response by the District including twice reburying a water line that became exposed and eroded, Jagers stated. Significant additional work was done, he noted.

Jagers shared a video of the rain event showing the magnitude of the mud and debris impact, and described the conditions.

Director Covington indicated appreciation for staff efforts in flood mitigation.

13. Reports For Discussion

a. Ad Hoc Committees:

Communications Committee: Director Ramirez advised that a public outreach calendar has been determined, and additional steps have been outlined for staff working with CV Strategies to provide in the field action-oriented photos to be placed on social media.

Sites Reservoir Committee: No report.

Water Re-Use 2x2: No report.

b. Directors' Reports: None.

c. Directors' General Comments:

President Williams acknowledged Vice President Ramirez and acknowledged the work of staff behind the scenes and over the holidays.

d. General Manager's Report:

Mr. Jagers briefed the Board on progress on the MDP Line 16 project. He noted that the project started on December 6, 2021 with some operated equipment and a site meeting was held to assure the project was complete. Despite the rains and emergency responses, the grading was completed in the month ended Monday. Flood Control has notified the District that the reinforced concrete storm drainpipe will not be ready until at least mid to end of February due to acquisition delays, but the

District is moving forward with work. The next step is to meet with Flood Control and turn this part of the project over to them, Jagers reported.

Additional engineering reports will be presented at the Engineering Workshop, he advised.

e. Legal Counsel Report:

Mr. James Markman advised the Board that Sites Reservoir seems to be regularly favored for some of President Biden's funding and other sources as perhaps one of the last reservoirs that will be built in California, and a good project. Markman noted concern about an enlarging group of environmentalists who are starting to organize and lobby against Sites on the theory that it will contribute to the lack of necessary water for salmon runs. He is monitoring the news and will keep the Board informed in light of upcoming decisions on continued participation.

14. Action List for Future Meetings:

- Water supply for BCVWD and the region
- Matrix for delivery of recycled water
- Legal Counsel report on changes in Proposition 218
- Legal update on drought conditions in the west
- Maintenance costs at 800-hp well sites

15. Announcements


President Williams read the following announcements:

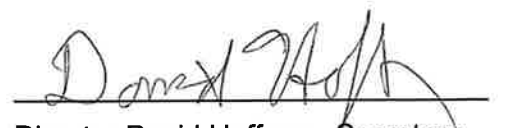
- District offices will be closed Monday, Jan. 17, 2022 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- Personnel Committee Meeting: Tuesday, Jan. 18, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.
- Special Board Meeting: Tuesday, Jan. 25, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.
- Engineering Workshop: Thursday, Jan. 27, 2022 at 6 p.m.
- Beaumont Basin Watermaster Committee: Wednesday, Feb. 2, 2022 at 11 a.m.
- Finance and Audit Committee Meeting: Thursday, Feb. 3, 2022 at 3 p.m.
- Regular Board Meeting: Wednesday, Feb. 9, 2022 at 6 p.m.

16. Adjournment

President Williams adjourned the meeting at 7:26 p.m.

ATTEST:


Director Lona Williams, President
to the Board of Directors of the
Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District


Director David Hoffman, Secretary
to the Board of Directors of the
Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District