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Secretary of the El Toro Water
District and the Board of Directors
thereof



AMENDED AGENDA

(03/25/24 – Addition of Item 18 Herein)

EL TORO WATER DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

March 28, 2024

7:30 a.m.

**BOARDROOM, DISTRICT OFFICE
24251 LOS ALISOS BLVD., LAKE FOREST, CA 92630**

This meeting will be held in person. As a convenience for the public, the meeting may also be accessed by Zoom and will be available by either computer or telephone audio as indicated below. Because this is an in-person meeting and the virtual component is not required, but rather is being offered as a convenience, if there are any technical issues during the meeting, this meeting will continue and will not be suspended.

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CALL MEETING TO ORDER – President Monin

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Director Havens

ROLL CALL (Determination of a Quorum)

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS/PUBLIC COMMENTS

Members of the public may address the Board at this time or they may reserve this opportunity with regard to an item on the agenda, until said item is discussed by the Board. Comments on other items will be heard at the time set aside for "COMMENTS REGARDING NON-AGENDA ITEMS." The public may identify themselves when called on and limit their comments to three minutes.

ITEMS RECEIVED TOO LATE TO BE AGENDIZED

Determine need and take action to agendize items which arose subsequent to the posting of the Agenda. (ROLL CALL VOTE: Adoption of this recommendation requires a two-thirds vote of the Board members present, or, if less than two-thirds of the Board members are present, a unanimous vote of those members present.)

1. **Consider Board Member's Request for Remote Participation (AB 2449)**

2. **Consent Calendar**

(All matters under the Consent Calendar will be approved by one motion unless a Board member or a member of the public requests separate action or discussion on a specific item)

a. Consider approving the minutes of the February 22, 2024 Board meeting

Recommended Action: The Board will consider approving the above Consent Calendar.

3. **Director Reports for Meetings Attended** (Oral Report)

GENERAL MANAGER ACTION ITEMS

4. **Resolution No. 24-3-1 Revisions to El Toro Water District Employee Handbook** (Reference Materials Included)

Staff will review and comment on proposed revisions to the Employee Handbook.

Recommended Action: Staff recommends that the Board adopt Resolution No. 24-3-1 which amends the Districts Employee Handbook.

RESOLUTION NO. 24-3-1

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE EL TORO WATER DISTRICT
AMENDING THE EL TORO WATER DISTRICT
EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK
(SECTION 8000 OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE)

5. **Resolution No. 24-3-2 El Toro Water District Administrative Code**
(Reference Materials Included)

Staff will review and comment on proposed revisions to the District Administrative Code.

Recommended Action: The Board of Directors will consider adopting Resolution No. 24-3-2 which adopts the amended El Toro Water District Administrative Code.

RESOLUTION 24-3-2

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE EL TORO WATER DISTRICT
ADOPTING THE AMENDED EL TORO WATER DISTRICT
ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

6. **Resolution No. 24-3-3 First Amendment to the El Toro Water District Retirement Savings Plan**
(Reference Material Included)

Staff will comment on a proposed amendment that provides updates and modifications to the El Toro Water District Retirement Savings Plan.

Recommended Action: Staff recommends that the Board of Directors adopt Resolution No. 24-3-3 adopting the First Amendment to the El Toro Water District Retirement Savings Plan.

RESOLUTION NO. 24-3-3

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
THE EL TORO WATER DISTRICT ADOPTING
THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO
EL TORO WATER DISTRICT RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLAN

7. **Resolution No. 24-3-4 First Amendment to the El Toro Water District Deferred Compensation Plan**
(Reference Material Included)

Staff will comment on a proposed amendment that provides updates and modifications to the El Toro Water District Deferred Compensation Plan.

Recommended Action: Staff recommends that the Board of Directors adopt Resolution No. 24-3-4 adopting the First Amendment to the El Toro Water District Deferred Compensation Plan.

RESOLUTION NO. 24-3-4

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
THE EL TORO WATER DISTRICT ADOPTING
THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO
EL TORO WATER DISTRICT DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN

8. **Nomination of a Candidate for the OC LAFCO Regular Special District Member Seat** (Reference Material Included)

Staff will comment on the potential nomination of a candidate for the OC LAFCO Regular Special District Member seat, and submitting the nomination by the April 15, 2024 deadline.

Recommended Action: The Board will consider nominating a candidate for the OC LAFCO Regular Special District Member seat, and submitting the nomination by the April 15, 2024 deadline.

GENERAL MANAGER INFORMATION ITEMS

9. **General Manager's Monthly Report** (Reference Material Included)

Staff will review and comment on the General Manager's Monthly Report.

10. **Legislative Reports** (Reference Material Included)

Staff and General Counsel will review and comment on the Legislative reports.

11. **Public Education and Outreach Report** (Reference Material Included)

Staff will review and comment on the Public Education and Outreach report.

12. **Water Use Efficiency Report** (Reference Material Included)

Staff will review and comment on the Water Use Efficiency Report.

13. **SOCWA Report** (Reference Material Included)

- a. SOCWA Board Meeting – March 7, 2024
- b. SOCWA Engineering Committee Meeting – March 14, 2024
- c. SOCWA Finance Committee Meeting – March 19, 2024

14. **Municipal Water District of Orange County (MWDOC) Report**
(Reference Material Included)

- a. MWDOC Planning/Operations Meeting – March 4, 2024
- b. MWDOC/MET Directors Workshop – March 6, 2024
- c. MWDOC Admin/Finance Meeting – March 13, 2024
- d. MWDOC Board Meeting – March 20, 2024

15. **Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) Report**
(Reference Material Included)

Report on the February 14, 2024 LAFCO meeting

16. **ISDOC Meetings Report** (Reference Material Included)
Report on the March 13, 2024 ISDOC Executive Committee meeting
17. **WACO Meetings Report** (Reference Material Included)
 - a. Report on the March 1, 2024 WACO meeting
 - b. Report on the March 19, 2024 WACO Planning meeting

AMENDED AGENDA – ACTION ITEM

18. **Metropolitan Water District Biennial Budget and Rates – 2025 – 2026**
(Reference Material Included)

Staff will provide an update on the Metropolitan Water District proposed 2025-26 biennial budget, associated rates and the projected impact on ETWD.

Recommended Action: The Board will consider directing the General Manager to provide a response to the proposed Metropolitan Water District 2025-26 biennial budget and associated rates if it deems said response to be necessary and appropriate.

COMMITTEE AND GENERAL INFORMATION

19. **Dates to Remember for March/April** (Reference Material Included)

COMMENTS REGARDING NON-AGENDA ITEMS

ATTORNEY REPORT

CLOSED SESSION

1. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) to consult with legal counsel and staff regarding the following existing litigation: *Plaintiff, Marlene Jean v. Defendants, Dollar Tree Stores, Inc. et al.*, Superior Court of Los Angeles Case No. 19STCV25234.
2. Pursuant to Government Code Section 564956.9(d)(2) to consult with legal counsel and staff - Potential Litigation (one matter).

REGULAR SESSION

REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION (Legal Counsel)

Mr. Granito will provide an oral report on the Closed Session.

ADJOURNMENT

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