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



AGENDA

EL TORO WATER DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

&

PUBLIC HEARING

June 27, 2024

7:30 a.m.

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

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CALL MEETING TO ORDER – President Monin

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Director Adjarian

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 May 1, 2024 Special Board meeting
- b. Consider approving the minutes of the May 23, 2024 Board meeting
- c. Consider approving the minutes of the May 29, 2024 Special Board meeting
- d. Consider authorizing the District Board members to attend the CSDA 2024 Annual Conference from September 9 – 12

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

3. **INCREASES TO CERTAIN WATER, SEWER, AND RECYCLED WATER SERVICE RATES AND CHARGES** (Reference Material Included)

Prior to opening the public hearing, Staff will review and comment on proposed amendments to Schedules No. 1-W, 1-S, 2-S, 3-S, and 4-W of the District's Rules and Regulations as it relates to proposed increases to certain water, sewer and recycled water service rates and charges. The proposed increases have been incorporated in the District's approved 2024/25 Operating Budget.

Following today's public hearing, the Board of Directors will be requested to consider taking action to adopt Resolution No. 24-6-1 approving amendments to Schedules No. 1-W, 1-S, 2-S, 3-S, and 4-W of the District's Rules and Regulations as it relates to increases to certain water, sewer and recycled water service rates and charges.

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING

4. **PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING ADOPTION OF PROPOSED INCREASES TO CERTAIN WATER AND RECYCLED WATER SERVICE RATES**

At this time the Board of Directors will conduct a public hearing to receive and consider public comments and protests regarding proposed increases to certain water, sewer and recycled water service rates and charges.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Public will be invited to comment on the proposed increase to the District's rates and charges.

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING

The Board President will close the Public Hearing at this time.

REGULAR SESSION

5. **RESOLUTION NO. 24-6-2 ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO THE DISTRICT'S RULES AND REGULATIONS** (Reference Material Included)

The Board of Directors will review Resolution No. 24-6-2 and consider taking action on same.

Recommended Action: The Board of Directors will consider adopting Resolution No. 24-6-2 which Resolution 1) provides for an increase to certain water, sewer and recycled water service rates and charges, effective July 1, 2024, and 2) makes findings and a determination that the action taken in this Resolution is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Water Quality Act.

RESOLUTION NO. 24-6-2

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE EL TORO WATER DISTRICT
APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE
DISTRICT'S RULES AND REGULATIONS
WHICH AMENDMENT
1) PROVIDES FOR AN INCREASE TO
CERTAIN OF THE DISTRICT'S WATER, SEWER
& RECYCLED WATER SERVICE RATES AND CHARGES
AND
2) MAKES FINDINGS AND DETERMINATIONS
THAT THE ACTION TAKEN IN THIS
RESOLUTION IS EXEMPT FROM THE
REQUIREMENTS OF THE CALIFORNIA
ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA)

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

GENERAL MANAGER ACTION ITEMS

7. **Resolution No. 24-6-3 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. 24-6-3 which adopts the amended El Toro Water District Administrative Code.

RESOLUTION 24-6-3

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

8. **PFAS CERCLA Designation** (Reference Material Included)

Staff will review and comment on the proposed letter supporting the H.R. 7944, Water Systems PFAS Liability Protection Act.

Recommended Action: The Board of Directors will consider authorizing the General Manager to send letters to the District's respective congressional House delegation, advocating for support of the H.R. 7944, Water Systems PFAS Liability Protection Act.

9. **California Special Districts Association (CSDA) Board of Directors, Southern Network - Seat A Election** (Reference Material Included)

The Board will consider the candidates for the CSDA Board of Directors, Southern Network, Seat A, and the requirement to cast a ballot by the July 26, 2024 deadline.

Recommended Action: Staff recommends that the Board select a candidate and direct the General Manager to cast a ballot for said candidate for the CSDA Board of Directors, Southern Network, Seat A, and cast the ballot by the July 26, 2024 deadline.

GENERAL MANAGER INFORMATION ITEMS

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

- a. SOCWA Special Board Meeting – June 3, 2024
- b. SOCWA Board Meeting – June 6, 2024
- c. SOCWA Engineering Committee Meeting – June 13, 2024
- d. SOCWA Finance Committee Meeting – June 18, 2024

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

- a. MWDOC Planning/Operations Meeting – June 3, 2024
- b. MWDOC/MET Directors Workshop – June 5, 2024
- c. MWDOC Admin/Finance Meeting – June 12, 2024
- d. MWDOC Board Meeting – June 19, 2024
- e. MWDOC Managers Meeting – June 20, 2024

16. **South Orange County Agencies Group Meeting** (Reference Material Included)
Report on the May 23, 2024 South Orange County Agencies Group Meeting.
17. **South Orange County Watershed Management Area**
(Reference Material Included)
 - a. Management Committee Meeting – June 3, 2024
 - b. Executive Committee Meeting – June 13, 2024
18. **Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) Report**
(Reference Material Included)
Report on the June 12, 2024 LAFCO meeting - Cancelled
19. **ISDOC Meetings Report** (Reference Material Included)
Report on the June 4, 2024 ISDOC Executive Committee meeting
20. **WACO Meetings Report** (Reference Material Included)
 - a. Report on the June 7, 2024 WACO meeting
 - b. Report on the June 18, 2024 WACO Planning meeting

COMMITTEE AND GENERAL INFORMATION

21. **Dates to Remember for June/July** (Reference Material Included)

COMMENTS REGARDING NON-AGENDA ITEMS

ATTORNEY REPORT

CLOSED SESSION

At this time the Board will go into Closed Session as follows:

1. At this time the Board will go into Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8 to consult with the District's designated negotiator (Dennis P. Cafferty, General Manager) with respect to the terms and conditions pertaining to the proposed exchange and/or transfer of ownership in the Joint Regional Treatment Plant presently owned and operated by the South Orange County Wastewater Authority (in which the District is a member agency) to the Moulton Niguel Water District and the assignment of capacity in the Effluent Transmission Main and Aliso Creek Ocean Outfall from Moulton Niguel Water District to El Toro Water District.

REGULAR SESSION

REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION (Legal Counsel)

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

ADJOURNMENT

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