



PAJARO VALLEY WATER MANAGEMENT AGENCY

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Board of Directors Meeting
August 19, 2020, 7:00 p.m.

Teleconference

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

1. **Call to Order:** The Regular Board Meeting of Pajaro Valley Water Management Agency was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Chair Newell, via teleconference

2. **Roll call of the PV WATER Directors:**

Board Members Present: Newell, Culbertson, Zamora, Bussey, Bannister, Broz

Board Members Absent: None

Staff Members Present: Brian Lockwood, General Manager (GM)
Helen Rodriguez, Finance & Administrative Services Manager
Laura R. Taay, Board Secretary
Marcus Mendiola, Water Conservation and Outreach Specialist (WCOS)

Others Present: Casey Meusel, Associate Hydrologist
Tony Condotti, Agency Counsel (AC)
Gabriel Bravo, Public
Lou Carella, Consultant, Carollo Engineers
Jill Hamilton, Consultant, ESA
Kim Hein, Consultant, Jacobs Engineering
Robert Johnson, General Manager, Aromas Water District
Tom Rider, Public
Michelaina Johnson, UCSC Grad Student

3. **Pledge of Allegiance**

4. **Oral Communications:** None

5. **Director Comments:** Chair Newell reported that Director Zamora was a featured panelist on the Climate of Hope webinar sponsored by *Regeneration* – Pajaro Valley Climate Action on August 5. .

6. **Counsel Report:** AC Condotti gave an update on COVID-19.

- **General Manager Report:** GM Lockwood offered congratulations to Director Bannister on the recent birth of her grandchild.

7. **Consent Agenda**

- A. Approval of July 22, 2020 Board Meeting Minutes
- B. Approval of Financial Reports

Action: Director Culbertson moved to approve the Consent Agenda; seconded by Director Bannister.

Motion carried by the following voice vote:

AYES: Newell, Culbertson, Zamora, Bussey, Bannister, Broz
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

8. **Informational Items**

- A. Received Basin Management Plan Implementation Update from GM Lockwood
- B. Received Proposed Watsonville Slough System Managed Aquifer Recharge and Recovery Projects Project Draft Environmental Impact Report Summary from Jill Hamilton, ESA
 Presentation available at www.pvwater.org.

9. **Discussion and/or Action Items**

- A. Consider Agreement Authorizing Aromas Water District to Annex and Extend Service to APN 011-260-005

GM Lockwood provided a brief summary of this item and introduced Aromas Water District (AWD) General Manager, Robert Johnson, to provide details. Mr. Johnson reported that AWD received a letter from Gabriel Bravo requesting water service from AWD for health and safety reasons. If the PV Water Board approves the agreement, the next step would be for AWD staff to meet the Local Area Foundation Commission (LAFCO) to discuss specific actions that would need to be completed prior to LAFCO approval.

Supporting materials, including the presentation are available at www.pvwater.org.

Action: Director Zamora moved for the Board to authorize Aromas Water District to Annex and extend service to APN 011-260-005 (Bravo Property) at 530 Cole Road, Aromas; Seconded by Director Bussey.

Motion carried by the following voice vote:

AYES: Newell, Culbertson, Zamora, Bussey, Bannister, Broz
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

- B. Consider Approval of Agreement for College Lake Integrated Resources Management Project Design and Bid Period Services with Carollo Engineers, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$2,785,739 and Approve Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$1,390,025

GM Lockwood summarized the Request For Proposals (RFP) for College Lake Integrated Resources Management Project Design and Bid Period Services and proposal review process. June 2020, the Board authorized and directed GM Lockwood to issue a RFP. Staff sent the RFP to twelve

engineering firms with water resources expertise. In response to the RFP, PV Water received two proposals: Carollo Engineers, Inc.(Carollo) and Jacobs Engineering Group (Jacobs) Inc. July 2020 the Board formed an Ad Hoc Review Committee (Committee), consisting of 7 members plus an alternate. The Committee was composed of two Board members + alternate, two Projects and Facility Operations Committee members, the City of Watsonville's Principal Engineer, and two staff members. The Committee interviewed both firms on Monday, July 27, 2020. Both Carollo and Jacobs assembled expert teams capable of designing the Project. Following the interviews and significant deliberation, the Committee reached unanimous consensus to split the work between Carollo and Jacobs, with Carollo designing and providing bid period services for the weir structure, intake pump station, water treatment plant, and Jacobs designing and providing bid period services for the conveyance pipeline. The recommendation from the Committee to split the work was based on its perceived strengths of each firms' proposal and interview.

Action: Director Bannister moved for the Board to:

1. Approve the Agreement, in substantially the same form as the version attached, with Carollo Engineers for College Lake Integrated Resources Management Project Design and Bid Period Services in an amount not to exceed \$2,785,739, and
2. Approve the Agreement, in substantially the same form as the version attached, with Jacobs Engineering Group for College Lake Integrated Resources Management Project Design and bid Period Services in an amount not to exceed \$1,390,025; Seconded by Director Culbertson.

Motion carried by the following voice vote:

AYES: Newell, Culbertson, Zamora, Bannister, Bussey
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: Broz

C. Consider Forming an Ad Hoc Sustainable Groundwater Planning Advisory Committee

GM Lockwood presented this item. July 2019, the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) approved PV Water's Alternative to a Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP-Alternative), making Pajaro Valley the only critically overdrafted basin in the state to have an approved Alternative. Per the Sustainable Groundwater Management Alternative (SGMA) regulations, plans must be updated and resubmitted every 5-years, making the PV Water's update due by January 1, 2022. To comply with SGMA, staff is requesting the Board form an Ad Hoc Sustainable Groundwater Planning Advisory Committee to be composed of 17 members (as described in the staff report) to represent cross section of community stakeholder interests, and appoint three Board members to serve on the Committee. The purpose of this Committee will be to evaluate technical information presented by staff and consultants related to the existing and projected conditions of the groundwater basin, consider sustainable management criteria that would avoid significant and unreasonable impacts to the groundwater basin, and make recommendations to the PV Water Board of Directors (Board).

Action: Director Culbertson moved for the Board to form an Ad Hoc Sustainable Groundwater Planning Advisory Committee and appoint Directors, Culbertson, Newell (with alternate of Director Bannister) and Zamora (with alternate of Director Broz); Seconded by Director Bussey
 Motion carried by the following voice vote:

AYES: Newell, Culbertson, Zamora, Bannister, Bussey, Broz

NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

D. Consider Reconvening the Ad Hoc Funding Committee

GM Lockwood presented this item. The PV Water Board formed an Ad Hoc Funding Committee in November and appointed Directors Newell, Zamora, and Broz to serve. The first meeting was held in December 2019 to consider committee composition, outreach and recruitment process, and to select future meeting dates. In February 2020, the committee reviewed the applications and made recommendations to seat applicants. Due to all categories not being filled, the application process was left open until filled. Since then, two additional growers have volunteered to serve on the committee, Dick Peixoto and Adriana Silva. Due to the COVID-19, the Board voted in April 2020 to temporarily suspend the Committee. Because teleconferences have become the new “normal” for committee meetings, staff is asking if the Board would like to consider reconvening the Ad Hoc Funding Committee.

Action: Director Broz moved for the Board to reconvene the Ad Hoc Funding Committee;
 Seconded by Director Zamora

Motion carried by the following voice vote:

AYES: Newell, Culbertson, Zamora, Bannister, Bussey, Broz
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

10. Monthly Reports/Presentations

- A. Facility Operations Report
 - 1. Received 2020 Supplemental Water Production Monthly Summary Report
- B. Board Committee Reports available at www.pvwater.org
- C. Public Outreach Update

11. Correspondence

12. Future Meetings

- A. Project & Facility Operations Committee, Wednesday, August 26, 2020, 3:00 p.m., Teleconference
- B. Administrative/Finance Committee, Tuesday, September 8, 2020, 3:00 p.m., Teleconference
- C. Board of Directors, Wednesday, September 16, 2020, 7:00 p.m. Teleconference
- D. Project & Facility Operations Committee, Wednesday, September 30, 2020, 3:00 p.m. Teleconference

13. Future Agenda Items

Adjourned at 10.00 p.m.



Laura R. Taay, Board Secretary



Date Approved