

MINUTES OF STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

Orange County Sanitation District

Wednesday, July 22, 2009, at 5:30 p.m.

A meeting of the Steering Committee of the Orange County Sanitation District was held on Wednesday, July 22, 2009, at 5:30 p.m., in the District's Administrative Office.

A quorum was declared present, as follows:

STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

Doug Davert, Chair
Larry Crandall, Vice Chair
Mark Waldman, Administration Committee
Chair
Jim Ferryman
Phil Luebben
David Shawver

DIRECTORS ABSENT:

Bill Dalton, Operations Committee Chair

STAFF PRESENT:

Jim Ruth, General Manager
Bob Ghirelli, Assistant General Manager
Nick Arhontes, Director of Operations and
Maintenance
Jim Herberg, Director of Engineering
Ed Torres, Director of Technical Services
Lorenzo Tyner, Director of Finance
and Administrative Services
Michael Gold, Legislative Affairs Liaison
Lilia Kovac, Associate Clerk of the Board
Juanita Skillman

OTHERS PRESENT:

Brad Hogin, General Counsel
Kristine Thalman
Bryan Starr

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

Kristine Thalman of the Builders Industry Association spoke in support of continued payment deferral of connection fees through June 30, 2010 to builders of large housing development projects.

COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORT

Chair Doug Davert briefly reported that he and Vice Chair Crandall attended the NACWA Conference in Milwaukee, Wisconsin to receive an achievement award for the GWRS project.

GENERAL MANAGER REPORT

Jim Ruth, General Manager, reported on the internal reorganization of the Public Information and Legislative Affairs offices; the offsite planning meeting; and the final insurance prices.

GENERAL COUNSEL REPORT

General Counsel, Brad Hogin, reported that the insurance company has settled on the Andino lawsuit for \$750,000 on the Bushard trunk sewer project.

ACTION ITEMS

1. **MOVED, SECONDED AND DULY CARRIED:** Approve minutes of the June 24, 2009 Steering Committee meeting.

INFORMATION ITEMS

2. Public Affairs Monthly Update

Michael Gold, Public Affairs Manager, briefly reported on the status of the lobby display upgrades and the honor walk. Mr. Gold also provided a brief update on the state budget status.

CLOSED SESSION

There was no closed session.

ADJOURNMENT

The next Steering Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 26, 2009, at 5:30 p.m. The Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Submitted by:

Lilia Kovac
Associate Clerk of the Board