AGENDA

Each item on the agenda, no matter how described, shall be deemed to include any appropriate motion, whether to adopt a minute motion, resolution, payment of any bill, approval of any matter or action, or any other action. Items listed as "For information" or "For discussion" may also be the subject of an "action" taken by the Board or a Committee at the same meeting.

1. DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

2. PUBLIC COMMENT
   Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.3

3. APPROVE THE MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 12, 2019
   Staff Recommendation: The External Affairs Committee approve the minutes as submitted.

4. LEGISLATIVE REPORT
   Staff Recommendation: For discussion and possible action.

5. WRD EDUCATION PROGRAMS REPORT
   Staff Recommendation: For discussion and possible action.

6. DEPARTMENT REPORT
   Staff Recommendation: For discussion and possible action.

7. DIRECTORS’ REPORTS, INQUIRIES AND FOLLOW-UP OF DIRECTIONS TO STAFF

8. ADJOURNMENT
   The Committee will adjourn to the next currently scheduled meeting on January 13, 2020, at 11:00 AM
In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), if special assistance is needed to participate in the meeting, please contact Deputy Secretary at (562) 921-5521 for assistance to enable the District to make reasonable accommodations.

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DATE: DECEMBER 9, 2019
TO: EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
FROM: ROBB WHITAKER, GENERAL MANAGER
SUBJECT: APPROVE THE MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 12, 2019

SUMMARY
A special meeting of the External Affairs Committee of the Board of Directors of the Water Replenishment District Southern California was held on November 12, 2019 at 11:15 AM, at the District Office, 4040 Paramount Boulevard, Lakewood, California 90712. Committee Alternate Chair Vera Robles-Dewitt called the meeting to order and presided thereafter.

FISCAL IMPACT
None

STAFF RECOMMENDATION
The External Affairs Committee approve the minutes as submitted.
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1. **DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM**

   A quorum was present, which included:
   
   **Committee:** Director Vera Robles-Dewitt, Director Rob Katherman; President John D. S. Allen, Director Sergio Calderon, Directors Willard H. Murray, Jr. was excused
   
   **Staff:** Robb Whitaker; Rob Beste; Ted Johnson; Angie Mancillas; Dina Hidalgo; Lawrence Chiu; Jenn Swart; Monica Sijder; Kimberly Badescu; Eric Owens; Francisco Leal David Alvarez; Shane Hardy
   
   **Public:** Erick Verduzco - CCE; Maria Kennedy – Kennedy Communications; Rick Taylor – Dakota Communications; Julie Chlopecki - Pacific Atlantic Partners; Bob Reeb - Reeb Government Relations, LLC; Awet Kidane - Kidane and Associates

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

   General Manager Robb Whitaker introduced the new Manager of Administration and Human Resources Dina Hidalgo.

3. **APPROVE THE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 21, 2019**

   *Staff Recommendation:* The External Affairs Committee approved the minutes as submitted.

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4. LEGISLATIVE REPORT
Staff Recommendation: For discussion and possible action.

Legislative consultant Julie Chlopecki provided the legislative report via phone call. She stated that on November 19, 2019 the Water Resources Subcommittee will hold a meeting to promote resiliency and that she has been working closely with the District’s Manager of External Affairs Angie Mancillas to provide the Committee with an overview of the WRD Resiliency Plan.

WRD state consultant Bob Reeb stated that there was a resources bond in circulation that was submitted to the Attorney General. Discussion followed.

5. AUTHORIZATION TO PAY FOR THE 2020 WATER CONSERVATION STUDENT ART CALENDAR
Staff Recommendation: The External Affairs Committee recommends that the Board of Directors authorize payment to Continental Colorcraft in an amount not to exceed $15,000 for printing of the 2020 Water Conservation Calendar.

Ms. Mancillas briefly presented on this item. She commended her team for distributing over 30,000 flyers for the 2020 Water Conservation Student Art Calendar Contest. Discussion followed.

| First:       | Katherman       |
| Second:     | Allen           |
| Discussion: | None            |
| Vote:       | DeWitt, Yes; Allen, Yes; Katherman, Yes; Murray, Excused; Calderon, Yes; |
| Result:     | ITEM 5 PASSED   |

This will be a consent item for review and approval on the Board of Directors meeting agenda.
6. **AUTHORIZE AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT NO. 935 WITH GREEN MEDIA CREATIONS (GMC) FOR IMPLEMENTING THE WRD ECO GARDENER, ECO-PROFESSIONAL, AND ECO-KIDS EDUCATION AND OUTREACH PROGRAMS**

*Staff Recommendation:* The External Affairs Committee recommends that the Board of Directors approve Amendment No. 3, subject to approval as to form by District Counsel, with Green Media Creations for an additional amount not to exceed $130,000 and expiring on December 31, 2021.

Public Affairs Representative Jenn Swart provided an overview on the areas that the District serves with Eco Gardener programs. Discussion followed.

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This will be a regular item for review and approval on the Board of Directors meeting agenda.

7. **AUTHORIZE AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT NO. 836 WITH JOHN SCHWADA FOR OUTREACH SUPPORT AND MEDIA SERVICES**

*Staff Recommendation:* The External Affairs Committee recommends that the Board of Directors approve the no-cost time extension as Amendment No.2 to Contract No. 836, subject to approval as to form by District Counsel, with John Schwada and extend the contract term through December 31, 2020.

Ms. Mancillas summarized this item for the Committee.

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This will be a consent item for review and approval on the Board of Directors meeting agenda.
8. WRD NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION UPDATE
   
   **Staff Recommendation:** For discussion and possible action.

   Ms. Mancillas stated that bylaws and articles of incorporation had been drafted for WRD’s non-profit organization, WRD Education Foundation. Ms. Swart provided handouts and reviewed the next steps. Discussion followed.

   | First:          | Katherman       |
   | Second:        | Calderon        |
   | Discussion:    | None            |
   | Vote:          | DeWitt, Yes; Allen, Yes; Katherman, Yes; Murray, Excused; Calderon, Yes; |
   | Result:        | The External Affairs Committee agreed to file the articles of incorporation in. |

   This will be a regular item for review and approval on the Board of Directors meeting agenda.

9. WRD EDUCATION PROGRAM REPORT
   
   **Staff Recommendation:** For discussion and possible action.

   Senior Public Affairs Representative Monica Sijder stated that she had reached out to 542 schools in 29 school districts and received requests for field trips and in-class demonstrations. Discussion followed.

10. DEPARTMENT REPORT
   
   **Staff Recommendation:** For discussion and possible action.

   Ms. Mancillas gave the dates of upcoming events. The Water Education for Latino Leaders workshop will be held on January 11, 2020.

   The District will host the California Contract Cities Board of Directors meeting at the Albert Robles Center on January 15, 2020.

   Ms. Swart distributed flyers for the Inglewood Airport Area Chamber of Commerce for an event on December 12, 2019. Additionally, the EPA Earthquake Resilience Workshop will provide earthquake tips at an event on December 18, 2019 where President Allen will give welcoming remarks.

   Public Affairs Representative Kimberly Badescu highlighted upcoming conferences including the ACWA Conference in San Diego from December 3 to December 6, 2019 as well as various events sponsored by the District.

   Ms. Mancillas stated that a WRD history book will be printed by early March 2020. Discussion followed.

   No action was taken.
11. **DIRECTORS’ REPORTS, INQUIRIES AND FOLLOW-UP OF DIRECTIONS TO STAFF**
President Allen stated that he will inquire about dates for the luncheon with the Long Beach Water Commission. He stated that he would like to host the luncheon at District headquarters. Discussion followed.

12. **ADJOURNMENT**
There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 12:08 AM.

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Chair

ATTEST:

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Member

Approved in minutes of:

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DATE: DECEMBER 9, 2019

TO: EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

FROM: ROBB WHITAKER, GENERAL MANAGER

SUBJECT: LEGISLATIVE REPORT

SUMMARY

WRD’s Federal and State Legislative Consultants will update the External Affairs Committee on legislation impacting the District. They will also alert the Committee about potential funding opportunities available to the district that will allow WRD to accomplish its goals.

In addition, the District’s state consultants will update the Committee on next steps stemming from the recent Legislative Retreat. These reports will include proposed visits to Sacramento and Washington D.C. to update our legislators on WRD activities and planned legislation.

Legislative Consultants:
Julie Chlopecki, Pacific Atlantic Partners
Bob Reeb, Reeb Government Relations, LLC
Awet Kidane, Kidane and Associates
Bob Giroux, Lang, Hansen, O'Malley & Miller

FISCAL IMPACT

None

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

For discussion and possible action.
MEMORANDUM
ITEM NO. 5

DATE: DECEMBER 9, 2019
TO: EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
FROM: ROBB WHITAKER, GENERAL MANAGER
SUBJECT: WRD EDUCATION PROGRAM REPORT

SUMMARY
The WRD Education Program features interactive lessons that demonstrate the importance of groundwater, the basics of water sources and treatment, and the need for conservation. WRD Education staff are available for in-classroom demonstrations, exhibiting at environmental/education fairs, and as a resource for any water science related questions.

WRD’s education team will provide an update on planned education programming at the Albert Robles Center.

FISCAL IMPACT
None

STAFF RECOMMENDATION
For discussion and possible action.
DATE: DECEMBER 9, 2019
TO: EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
FROM: ROBB WHITAKER, GENERAL MANAGER
SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT REPORT

SUMMARY
Staff will report any significant department activities that are not agendized and require no action on part of the Committee.

FISCAL IMPACT
None

STAFF RECOMMENDATION
For discussion and possible action.