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 APRIL 8, 2019
   Staff Recommendation: The External Affairs Committee approved the minutes as submitted.

4. APPROVE THE MINUTES OF MAY 13, 2019
   Staff Recommendation: The External Affairs Committee approved the minutes as submitted.

5. APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JULY 8, 2019
   Staff Recommendation: The External Affairs Committee approved the minutes as submitted.

6. ADDITIONAL FEES FOR THE ARC GRAND OPENING AIR CONDITIONING UNIT
   Staff Recommendation: The External Affairs Committee recommends that the Board of Directors approve an additional amount for La Brea Air Inc., for the ARC Grand Opening for an amount not to exceed $1,347.00.

7. RECOGNITION CERTIFICATE FOR MONTEBELLO MAYOR JACK HADJINIAN
   Staff Recommendation: The External Affairs Committee recommends that the Board of Directors approve recognition for Mayor Jack Hadjinian for his work on water projects throughout the City of Montebello.

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

9. STATE OF CALIFORNIA WATER RESILIENCE PORTFOLIO INITIATIVE
   Staff Recommendation: For discussion and possible action.
10. **WRD NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION UPDATE**  
*Staff Recommendation:* For discussion and possible action.

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

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

13. **ADJOURNMENT**  
*The Committee will adjourn to the next currently scheduled meeting on October 14, 2019, at 11:00 a.m.*

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DATE:            SEPTEMBER 16, 2019
TO:            EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
FROM:            ROBB WHITAKER, GENERAL MANAGER
SUBJECT:            APPROVE THE MINUTES OF APRIL 8, 2019

SUMMARY
A meeting of the External Affairs Committee of the Board of Directors of the Water Replenishment District of Southern California was held on April 8, 2019 at 11:10 a.m., at the District Office, 4040 Paramount Boulevard, Lakewood, California 90712. Committee Vice Chair Sergio Calderon called the meeting to order and presided thereafter.

FISCAL IMPACT
None

STAFF RECOMMENDATION
The External Affairs Committee approved the minutes as submitted.
A meeting of the External Affairs Committee of the Board of Directors of the Water Replenishment District was held on April 8, 2019 at 11:10 a.m., at the District Office, 4040 Paramount Boulevard, Lakewood, California 90712. Committee Vice Chair Sergio Calderon called the meeting to order and presided thereafter.

1. **DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM**

   A quorum was present, which included:

   **Committee:** Director Sergio Calderon, Director Rob Katherman, President John D. S. Allen, Director Vera Robles-Dewitt Committee Chair Willard H. Murray, Jr was excused;

   **Staff:** Evan Lue; H. Francisco Leal; Angie Mancillas; Jenn Swart; Monica Sijder; Tenisha Simeon

   **Public:** Bob Reeb - Reeb Government Relations, LLC

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

   Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.3

   None.

3. **LEGISLATIVE REPORT**

   Senior Government Affairs Representative Angie Mancillas introduced WRD Sacramento consultant Bob Reeb. Mr. Reeb stated that Assembly Bill 955 had been recommended for the consent calendar of a meeting of the Committee on Water, Parks, and Wildlife, which he would be attending. Mr. Reeb also provided an update on SB 519, stating that it would be on the consent calendar of a meeting of the Committee on Appropriations. Discussion followed.

   No action was taken.

4. **APPROVAL OF PARTNERSHIP WITH THE LOS ANGELES REGIONAL ADULT EDUCATION CONSORTIUM (LARAEC)**

   Ms. Mancillas provided a brief overview on LARAEC and stated that WRD has funds available to partner with them.

   | First:       | Katherman                                      |
   | Second:     | Calderon                                       |
   | Vote:       | Calderon, Yes; Katherman, Yes; DeWitt, Yes; Allen, Yes; Murray, Excused |
   | Result:     | The Board of Directors approved a partnership with LARAEC. |

   This will be a consent item for review and approval on the agenda for the Board of Directors.
5. AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE AMENDMENT NO. 2 OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT NO. 835 WITH CCE CONSULTING FOR COMMUNITY OUTREACH SUPPORT SERVICES
Ms. Mancillas reminded the Committee of CCE Consulting’s work and stated that WRD is seeking to extend its contract with them. Discussion followed.

| First:   | Allen                  |
| Second:  | Katherman               |
| Vote:    | Calderon, Yes; Katherman, Yes; DeWitt, Yes; Allen, Yes; Murray, Excused |
| Result:  | The Board of Directors approved Amendment 2 subject to approval as to form by District Counsel, with CCE Consulting Group for Community Outreach Support Services/Education for an additional 18 months and an additional amount not to exceed $200,000. |

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

6. APPROVAL OF A SPONSORSHIP FOR THE ANNUAL AMERICAN RED CROSS HOMETOWN HEROES LUNCHEON
Ms. Mancillas gave an overview before Director Dewitt made a motion to approve Staff recommendation.

| First:   | Dewitt             |
| Second:  | Katherman          |
| Discussion: | None               |
| Vote:    | Calderon, Yes; Katherman, Yes; DeWitt, Yes; Allen, Yes; Murray, Excused |
| Result:  | The Board of Directors approved a sponsorship for the Annual American Red Cross Hometown Heroes Luncheon for an amount not to exceed $2,500. |

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

7. APPROVAL OF REGIONAL SPONSORSHIPS FOR FY2019-20
Ms. Mancillas gave a brief overview.

| First:   | Allen                  |
| Second:  | Katherman               |
| Discussion: | None               |
| Vote:    | Calderon, Yes; Katherman, Yes; DeWitt, Yes; Allen, Yes; Murray, Excused |
| Result:  | The Board of Directors approved WRD’s additional regional sponsorships for an amount not to exceed $24,500. |
This will be a consent item for review and approval on the agenda for the Board of Directors.

8. **WEBSITE DISCUSSION**
   Director Katherman expressed his desire for the WRD website to be more intuitive.

   Data & Technology Services Supervisor Evan Lue explained his willingness to work with Staff and other departments to make the website more intuitive.

   Director Katherman inquired about the possibility of consulting services for the website. Ms. Mancillas responded that she would bring back this discussion to the May External Affairs meeting.

   No action was taken.

9. **WRD EDUCATION OUTREACH REPORT**
   Senior Public Affairs Representative Monica Sijder presented this item. Ms. Sijder stated that she had focused on contacting schools in the service areas of Directors Allen, Dewitt, and Katherman.

   She reminded the Committee of LA County Sanitation District’s Earth Day which would occur on the 23rd of April.

   Ms. Sijder then explained that she would gather details on WRD’s potential partnership with Quora by Thursday, April 11.

   Ms. Sijder and Communication and Education Services Representative Jenn Swart would meet to discuss how to complete the exhibits at the Albert Robles Center. Discussion followed.

10. **DEPARTMENT REPORT**
    Ms. Mancillas circulated a list of several conferences in the months of May and June for the directors to attend.

    The External Affairs Committee received and filed the report.

11. **DIRECTORS' REPORTS, INQUIRIES AND FOLLOW-UP OF DIRECTIONS TO STAFF**
    Director Allen inquired about WRD’s Education program. Ms. Swart stated that her department was in the process of creating a business plan and that they would hope to wrap it up in coming weeks. Discussion followed.

    Mr. Allen also inquired about the Long Beach Conservation Corps' Dine on Pine event being held on June 26. Discussion followed.

    Attorney for WRD H. Francisco Leal requested that the directors add two matters for litigation to the Board of Directors meeting agenda, which the Committee unanimously approved.
12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 12:14 P.M.

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Chair

ATTEST:

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MEMBER

Approved in minutes of:

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MEMORANDUM
ITEM NO. 4

DATE: SEPTEMBER 16, 2019
TO: EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
FROM: ROBB WHITAKER, GENERAL MANAGER
SUBJECT: APPROVE THE MINUTES OF MAY 13, 2019

SUMMARY
A meeting of the External Affairs Committee of the Board of Directors of the Water Replenishment District of Southern California was held on May 13, 2019 at 11:30 a.m., at the District Office, 4040 Paramount Boulevard, Lakewood, California 90712. Committee Vice Chair Sergio Calderon called the meeting to order and presided thereafter.

FISCAL IMPACT
None

STAFF RECOMMENDATION
The External Affairs Committee approved the minutes as submitted.
MINUTES OF MAY 13, 2019
MEETING OF THE EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
WATER REPLENISHMENT DISTRICT

A meeting of the External Affairs Committee of the Board of Directors of the Water Replenishment District was held on May 13, 2019 at 11:30 a.m., at the District Office, 4040 Paramount Boulevard, Lakewood, California 90712. Committee Vice Chair Sergio Calderon called the meeting to order and presided thereafter.

1. DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM
A quorum was present, which included:
Committee: Committee Chair Willard H. Murray, Jr was excused; Director Sergio Calderon, Director Rob Katherman. President John D. S. Allen, Director Vera Robles-Dewitt was excused
Staff: Eric Owens; Brandon Mims; Angie Mancillas; Jenn Swart; Monica Sijder; Brigid McLaughlin
Public: Maria Kennedy - Kennedy Communications; Julie Chlopecki - Pacific Atlantic Partners; Bob Reeb - Reeb Government Relations, LLC; Rick Taylor - Dakota Communications; Awet Kidane - Kidane and Associates; Bob Giroux – Lang, Hansen, O’Malley & Miller

2. PUBLIC COMMENT
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.3
None.

3. APPROVE THE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 12, 2018

| First:    | Allen |
| Second:   | Katherman |
| Discussion: | None |
| Vote:     | Calderon, Yes; Katherman, Yes; DeWitt, Excused; Allen, Yes; Murray, Excused |
| Result:   | The External Affairs Committee approved the minutes as submitted. |

4. LEGISLATIVE REPORT
Senior Government Affairs Representative Angie Mancillas introduced Julie Chlopecki of Pacific Atlantic Partners, who mentioned that White House Congressional leaders would be meeting to speak on infrastructure. Discussion followed.

General Manager Robb Whitaker stated that the Feasibility Study would be complete in June and would include a preliminary design report which could be considered a 10-30% design level. Discussion followed.

Ms. Chlopecki stated that she thought the Bureau of Reclamation funding would come through. Discussion followed.
President Allen requested Ms. Chlopecki contact Congresswoman Napolitano to express gratitude for having the Whittier-Narrows Dam Safety effort in mind.

Ms. Mancillas then stated that an AdHoc legislative committee that would review other legislation would be scheduled tentatively for Wednesday, May 15th, 2019. WRD State Advocate Bob Reeb then discussed AB 955 and SB 519. Mr. Reeb stated that both bills would be taken up by their respective committees’ on Thursday May 16th, 2019. Mr. Reeb stated that he suspected both bills would likely come off suspense.

Mr. Reeb further stated that there would be two amendments to the bills. One amendment would be the addition of a ‘Sunset Provision,’ which would see that WRD only goes through a Needs Assessment once and not repeatedly. The second amendment would fix the reference to public water systems in the existing bill.

Mr. Reeb stated that for SB 519, he had met with Senator Bradford’s staff weeks ago and the bill would likely come off suspense.

Bob Giroux of Lang, Hansen, O’Malley & Miller provided a brief report on the Assembly Budget Subcommittee 3 Hearing regarding the member request for general fund appropriation. Discussion followed.

Director Katherman requested clarification on AB 217 and AB 134. Mr. Reeb provided an explanation, stating that both were on the suspense file. Discussion followed.

No action was taken.

5   AUTHORIZE A NO-COST TIME EXTENSION FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT #935 WITH GREEN MEDIA CREATIONS FOR WRD ECO GARDENING CLASSES & OUTREACH PROJECTS

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<td>The External Affairs Committee recommended that the Board of Directors approve the no-cost time extension as Amendment No.2 to Contract No. 935, subject to approval as to form by District Counsel, with Green Media Creations and extend the contract term through Dec 31, 2019.</td>
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6. AUTHORIZE AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR OUTREACH PROGRAM WITH THE SOUTH BAY CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (SBCCOG) IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $65,000
Ms. Mancillas gave a brief overview of this item by listing the various projects that the South Bay Cities Council of Governments has assisted WRD with. Discussion followed.

| First: | Katherman |
| Second: | Allen |
| Discussion: | None |
| Vote: | Calderon, Yes; Katherman, Yes; DeWitt, Excused; Allen, Yes; Murray, Excused |
| Result: | The External Affairs Committee recommended that the Board of Directors approve a contract extension, subject to approval as to form by District Counsel, with the South Bay Cities Council of Governments (SBCCOG) for an amount not to exceed $65,000 and for an associated time extension through September 30, 2020. |

7. WEBSITE DISCUSSION
Ms. Mancillas and Data & Technology Services Supervisor Evan Lue presented changes to WRD’s website.

Mr. Lue stated that he, Ms. Mancillas, and Communication and Education Services Representative Jenn Swart would meet to discuss web pages that do not receive visits. Discussion followed.

No action was taken.

8. DEPARTMENT REPORT
Ms. Mancillas introduced Brigid McLaughlin, a new intern in the External Affairs department and stated that there would be another intern, Shane Hardy, beginning in the next week.

Ms. Mancillas also stated that Director Katherman would be on a WRD-sponsored panel on sustainability and local water projects on May 18th, 2019.

Ms. Mancillas mentioned that the Heal-the-Bay gala would occur on May 23 at the Jonathan’s Club in Santa Monica.

Ms. Mancillas also brought up the AWWA Ace Conference that would be held on June 9-June 11 in Denver. WRD would be the recipient of an award.

Eco-gardener classes would be held in WRD’s various division areas. Discussion followed.

Senior Public Affairs Representative Monica Sijder provided a brief Education Outreach update.

The External Affairs Committee received and filed the report.
9. **DIRECTORS’ REPORTS, INQUIRIES AND FOLLOW-UP OF DIRECTIONS TO STAFF**
President Allen inquired about acquiring barriers by the end of 2019 and the status of the spreading grounds. Discussion followed.

Mr. Allen then instructed staff to keep the Strategic Planning Retreat (scheduled for July 13, 2019) in mind.

10. **ADJOURNMENT**
There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 1:03 P.M.

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Approved in minutes of:

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DATE:       SEPTEMBER 16, 2019
TO:         EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
FROM:       ROBB WHITAKER, GENERAL MANAGER
SUBJECT:    APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JULY 8, 2019

SUMMARY
A meeting of the External Affairs Committee of the Board of Directors of the Water
Replenishment District of Southern California was held on July 8, 2019 at 11:20 a.m., at
the District Office, 4040 Paramount Boulevard, Lakewood, California 90712. Committee
Alternate Chair John Allen called the meeting to order and presided thereafter.

FISCAL IMPACT
None

STAFF RECOMMENDATION
The External Affairs Committee approved the minutes as submitted.
A meeting of the External Affairs Committee of the Board of Directors of the Water Replenishment District was held on July 8, 2019 at 11:20 a.m., at the District Office, 4040 Paramount Boulevard, Lakewood, California 90712. Committee Alternate Chair John Allen called the meeting to order and presided thereafter.

1. DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM
A quorum was present, which included:
Committee: President John D. S. Allen, Director Vera Robles-Dewitt, Director Rob Katherman: 11:23 Arrival, Committee Chair Willard H. Murray, Jr was excused; Director Sergio Calderon was excused
Staff: Robb Whitaker; Rob Beste; Brian Thomas; E Angie Mancillas; Esther Rojas; Jenn Swart; Monica Sijder; David Alvarez
Public: Maria Kennedy - Kennedy Communications; Julie Chlopecki - Pacific Atlantic Partners; Bob Reeb - Reeb Government Relations, LLC; Awet Kidane - Kidane and Associates; Bob Giroux – Lang, Hansen, O’Malley & Miller

2. PUBLIC COMMENT
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.3
None.

3. APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 14, 2019
First: Allen
Second: Dewitt
Discussion: None
Vote: DeWitt, Yes; Allen, Yes; Murray, Excused; Calderon, Excused; Katherman, 11:23 Arrival;
Result: The External Affairs Committee approved the minutes as submitted.

4. APPROVE THE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 11, 2019
First: Allen
Second: Dewitt
Discussion: None
Vote: DeWitt, Yes; Allen, Yes; Murray, Excused; Calderon, Excused; Katherman, 11:23 Arrival;
Result: The External Affairs Committee approved the minutes as submitted.

5. APPROVE THE MINUTES OF MARCH 11, 2019
First: Allen
6. LEGISLATIVE REPORT
Julie Chlopecki of Pacific Atlantic Partners spoke on the passing of the Energy and Water Appropriations Bill, stating that $400 million would be designated for water infrastructure and water resources projects. Discussion followed.

Ms. Chlopecki also described the ongoing nature of HR 1162, the Water Recycling Investment and Improvement Act. Discussion followed.

Bob Giroux of Lang, Hansen, O’Malley & Miller also presented an update on AB 955 (Needs Assessment Legislation), stating that it was set for a hearing on the 9th of July. Bob Reeb, of Reeb Government Relations, then stated that SB 200 was awaiting the governor’s signature. Discussion followed.

7. WRD NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION UPDATE
General Manager Robb Whitaker gave a brief introduction on this item before Communication and Education Services Representative Jenn Swart provided a presentation.

Director Allen instructed Staff to form an AdHoc committee that would consist of Senior Government Affairs Representative Angie Mancillas as well as Director Katherman and Director Dewitt.

The Committee unanimously agreed that the name of WRD’s non-profit would be WRD Education Foundation.

Upon a motion duly made by Director Katherman and seconded by Director Dewitt, it was

RESOLVED: The WRD Education Foundation will consist of fifteen members.

8. WRD EDUCATION PROGRAM REPORT
Senior Public Affairs Representative Monica Sijder presented this item. Ms. Sijder stated that she had met with several science curriculum specialists in multiple districts. She informed the Committee that she and Ms. Swart were in the process of developing pre and post-assessments for classrooms they would be visiting. Discussion followed.

9. DEPARTMENT REPORT
Senior Government Affairs Representative Angie Mancillas presented the department report, providing a list of upcoming events. Ms. Mancillas informed the Committee of Breakfast with Senator Archuleta on July 12 in Santa Fe Springs.
She also stated that there would be a luncheon with Senator Lena Gonzalez on July 26.

Senator Archuleta would also host the opening of his Norwalk district office on July 24 at 5:30 p.m.

Additionally, Congresswoman Linda Sanchez would hold a State of the Nation luncheon address on July 26 at the Union Bank Building in Long Beach.

Upon a motion duly made by Director Allen and seconded by Director Katherman, it was

RESOLVED: The External Affairs Committee approved a $2,500 sponsorship of the Los Angeles River Revitalization.

Speaker Anthony Rendon had requested use of WRD’s water tanks for the LA River Arts festival on July 27th from 12 p.m. to 10 p.m. Discussion followed.

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

Director Dewitt reported of the San Diego County’s Water Resilience event being held on July 19th. Additionally, the Sanitation District in Carson would be holding a tour of the Joint Water Pollution Control Plant.

Children Striving Together in Compton would be holding a back-to-school event. Director Dewitt requested that Staff follow up on the event.

Director Katherman requested that the CIP meeting scheduled for July 11th be held on July 10th at 11 a.m. Director Allen requested that an update on the status of the barriers/spreading grounds be provided at the meeting.

Director Allen also requested that brackish water, social media, the Leo J. Vander Lans connection, and WRD’s five-year plan be items for discussion on the agenda at the board of directors’ retreat on July 13th. He then requested that Rick Taylor of Dakota Communications as well as the District’s consultants and lawyers receive copies of the agenda.
11. ADJOURNMENT
   There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 12:38 P.M.

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Chair

ATTEST:

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MEMBER

Approved in minutes of:

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MEMORANDUM
ITEM NO. 6

DATE: SEPTEMBER 16, 2019
TO: EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
FROM: ROBB WHITAKER, GENERAL MANAGER
SUBJECT: ADDITIONAL FEES FOR THE ARC GRAND OPENING AIR CONDITIONING UNIT

SUMMARY

The event took place in the treatment building of the ARC facility, which has no air conditioning system. Staff was asked to obtain quotes for an air-cooling system for the day of the event.

Due to unforeseen circumstances WRD staff had to purchase additional fuel for the day of the event. The AC Unit had to be run for a few extra hours prior to the event to establish a comfortable temperature to accommodate the large crowd that showed up to the event.

FISCAL IMPACT
The total cost of additional fuel was $1,347.00.

The amount will be drawn from the External Affairs Department Budget and will be allocated to the External Affairs/ARC Event project number EAE0000, general ledger code 5620-Office Expense.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION
The External Affairs Committee recommends that the Board of Directors approve an additional amount for La Brea Air Inc., for the ARC Grand Opening for an amount not to exceed $1,347.00.
SUMMARY

The Water Replenishment District would like to recognize the efforts Mayor Jack Hadjinian has put forth into securing valuable water projects in the City of Montebello.

Water projects Mayor Hadjinian has worked on while on the city council:

1) **Grant Rea Park Reclaimed Water Retrofit Project** – In 2015 this park, which is approximately 22.65 acres, was retrofit to use reclaimed water for irrigation purposes. The project was completed by San Gabriel Valley Water, with a $84,000 grant from Southern California Metropolitan Water District. The project reduced consumption of potable water by approximately 55 acre-feet per year. It is estimated that this project saved 17,930,000 gallons of potable water per year. The average household in California uses between half an acre-foot to one acre-foot of water per year. This project saved enough potable water to supply 55 to 110 households in Montebello.

2) **Henry Acuna Park Reclaimed Water Retrofit Project** - In 2018 this park, which is approximately 5.65 acres, was retrofit to use reclaimed water for irrigation purposes. The project was completed by Central Basin Municipal Water District, in cooperation and on behalf of the City of Montebello, with a $19,500 grant from Southern California Metropolitan Water District and a loan of $18,910 from Central Basin. The project reduced consumption of potable water by approximately 20 acre-feet per year or 6,520,000 gallons of water per year, which is enough to supply 20 to 40 households in Montebello, based on the State average household consumption.

3) **Montebello Golf Course Reclaimed Water Retrofit Project** - In 2019 this golf course, which is approximately 120 acres, was retrofit to use reclaimed water for the irrigation of the fairways and roughs. The project was completed by the City with a $615,000 loan from Central Basin Municipal Water District and a $279,900
grant of from the Southern California Metropolitan Water District and with the assistance of San Gabriel Valley Water. The project reduced consumption of potable water by approximately 276 acre-feet per year or 89,976,000 gallons of water per year, which is enough to supply 276 to 552 households in Montebello, based on the State average household consumption.

4) **Gage Booster Station Variable Speed Drive** – In 2018, the City with the assistance from San Gabriel Valley Water installed a new variable speed drive pump at its Gage Booster Pump Station in order to continue supplying water to customers. The project was completed at a cost of approximately $25,000.

5) **Emergency Generator for Hillside Drive Reservoir Project** – In 2019, the City with assistance from San Gabriel Valley Water installed an emergency generator at its Hillside Drive Reservoir in order to provide emergency power to the reservoir during an electrical power outage so that firefighting capability could still be provided in this area of the City, which is adjacent hillside and wild vegetation that could become a major problem during wildfire season in Southern California. The project was completed at a cost of approximately $238,000. The generator has a fuel tank that can provide 24-hour of uninterrupted power to the reservoir before requiring refueling.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

None

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

The External Affairs Committee recommends that the Board of Directors approve recognition for Mayor Jack Hadjinian for his work on water projects throughout the City of Montebello.
DATE: SEPTEMBER 16, 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, our state consultants will update the committee on WRD sponsored legislation including AB955 (Needs Assessment Legislation) and SB519 (Underground Storage Tank Cleanup Fund 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.
DATE: SEPTEMBER 16, 2019

TO: EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

FROM: ROBB WHITAKER, GENERAL MANAGER

SUBJECT: STATE OF CALIFORNIA WATER RESILIENCE PORTFOLIO INITIATIVE

SUMMARY
In April 2019, Governor Newsom signed Executive Order N-10-19 directing the California Natural Resources Agency, the California Environmental Protection Agency, and the California Department of Food and Agriculture to recommend a suite of priorities that will work together to build a climate-resilient water system. To develop this Water Resilience Portfolio, the agencies will be identifying a set of complementary actions that will be required to ensure safe and dependable water supplies for the state’s communities, economy and the environment. The Initiative staff are soliciting recommended actions from water agencies to assist them in development of the State’s Portfolio.

Staff have prepared a set of recommended actions and additional supporting materials that will be presented to the Committee for discussion.

FISCAL IMPACT
None

STAFF RECOMMENDATION
For discussion and possible action.
MEMORANDUM
ITEM NO. 10

DATE: SEPTEMBER 16, 2019
TO: EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
FROM: ROBB WHITAKER, GENERAL MANAGER
SUBJECT: WRD NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION UPDATE

SUMMARY
Staff has been directed to form a Non-Profit WRD Education Foundation to support educational programming that will be provided at ARC and in the community.
Staff will provide an update on this project's developments.

FISCAL IMPACT
None

STAFF RECOMMENDATION
For discussion and possible action.
DATE: SEPTEMBER 16, 2019
TO: EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
FROM: ROBB WHITAKER, GENERAL MANAGER
SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT REPORT

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

FISCAL IMPACT
None

STAFF RECOMMENDATION
For discussion and possible action.