North Bay Water Reuse Authority Board of Directors Meeting Minutes December 19, 2016

1. Call to Order

Chair Rabbitt called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m. on Monday, December 19, 2016 at the Novato Sanitary District, 500 Davidson Street, Novato, CA. Consultants and others who were unable to attend participated via telephone, 1 (602) 567-4030, access code 2231; https://Conferencing.brwncald.com/conference/2231

2. Roll Call

PRESENT: David Rabbitt, Chair Sonoma County Water Agency

Bill Long, Vice Chair Novato Sanitary District

Keith Caldwell Napa County

Rabi Elias Las Gallinas Valley Sanitary District Jack Gibson Marin Municipal Water District

Jason Holley City of American Canyon

Pam Jeane Sonoma Valley County Sanitation District

Drew McIntyre North Marin Water District

Dan St. John City of Petaluma

Jill Techel Napa Sanitation District

ABSENT: Marin County

OTHERS

PRESENT: Chuck Weir, Program Manager Weir Technical Services

Kevin Booker Sonoma County Water Agency

Ginger Bryant Bryant & Associates
Jill Chamberlain Brown and Caldwell

Anne Crealock Sonoma County Water Agency

David Graves Napa Sanitation District Sandeep Karkal Novato Sanitary District

Mark Millan Data Instincts
Phil Miller Napa County

Pilar Oñate-Quintana The Oñate Group (by telephone)

Mike Savage Brown and Caldwell

Brad Sherwood Sonoma County Water Agency
Jake Spaulding Sonoma County Water Agency

Dawn Taffler Kennedy Jenks Consultants (by telephone)

Leah Walker City of Petaluma

Mark Williams Las Gallinas Valley Sanitary District

3. Public Comments

There were no comments from the public

4. Introductions

Introductions were not made.

5. Board Meeting Minutes of October 24, 2016.

A motion by Director Caldwell, seconded by Director Long to approve the October 24, 2016 minutes as presented was approved with one abstention.

6. Report from the Chair

a. Consultant Progress Reports

The Board reviewed the consultant progress reports for October and November 2016.

b. Financial Reports

The Board reviewed the Financial Reports for the period ending November 30, 2016.

c. Recognize Supervisor Keith Caldwell's Contributions

The Chair and the Board recognized Supervisor Keith Caldwell for his many years of service to the region, Napa County, and NBWRA. Chair Rabbitt presented Supervisor Caldwell with a plaque. Vice Chair Long noted that Supervisor Caldwell participated in NBWRA before he was elected to the Board of Supervisors and appointed to the NBWRA Board. Supervisor Caldwell noted that it has been an honor and a privilege to work with NBWRA and NBWA. He cited the quality of the organizations and projects.

7. Board Information Requests

Chair Rabbitt provided an update to the Membership Brochure development. The brochure will be finalized after decisions are made on new members at the January 2017 meeting.

8. FY2016/17 Budget Amendments

Chair Rabbitt and Mike Savage provided a summary. Chair Rabbitt noted that the budget for the rest of FY16/17 needs to be approved to continue business through the end of the fiscal year. Savage noted that the cost sharing may change if additional agencies join NBWRA in January 2017. Jake Spaulding discussed the status of the reconciliation of Phase 1 costs and that a detailed report would be presented at the January 23, 2017 meeting.

A motion by Director Elias, seconded by Director Caldwell, to approve the FY2016/17 Budget Amendments was unanimously approved.

9. Program Development, Federal, and State Advocacy Update

Ginger Bryant provided a summary of Program Development and Federal Advocacy, including a summary of The Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act (WIIN). Included in this legislation was the California Drought Bill Rider that was sponsored by Senator Feinstein. The Act includes increase in funding for WaterSMART grants and Title XVI reforms that created a new program for unauthorized projects. She also noted that Ryan Zinke (R-MT) has been nominated to head the Department of Interior and that they are tracking other appointment in the new administration.

Pilar Oñate-Quintana provided a summary of State Advocacy activities, including the fact that the Democrats now have a 2/3 supermajority in both houses. SB 5 (DeLeon) and AB 18 (Garcia) have been introduced as major water related bonds. Both are multi-billion dollar items and are

likely to be combined at some point. She also described the likelihood that Senator Hertzberg will reintroduce his ocean discharge reduction mandate legislation. She has also been working with WateReuse in the development of legislation for direct potable reuse (DPR). Lastly she noted that they are working of possible dates for the next NBWRA Day in the Capitol and the possibility of organizing a tour for newly elected Assemblywoman Cecilia Aguilar-Curry and her staff.

10. Engineering, Environmental, and Public Involvement Services Report

Mark Millan discussed progress on updating the 4 page overview and preparing a one-sheet brochure for potential new members. Jill Chamberlain provided an update on the status of the Feasibility Study Report as well as the future schedule for the EIR/EIS analysis.

11. Items for Future Discussion and Action

Chair Rabbitt gave a brief summary of items for the January 23, 2017 meeting, including State legislative issues, Federal administration, Federal legislation and funding opportunities, and a discussion on the FY 17/18 Budget. Ginger Bryant noted that the schedule for meetings in 2017 will also need to be discussed.

12. Comments from Chair and Board Members

Dan St. John indicated that the City of Petaluma is conducting a rate study that will include NBWRA costs. .

13. Adjournment

Chair Rabbitt adjourned the meeting at 10:45 a.m. The next meeting will be Monday, January 23, 2017 at 9:30 a.m. at Novato City Hall Council Chambers.

Minutes approved by the Board March 27, 2017.

Charles V. Weir Program Manager

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