

# Countywide Water Coordination Committee

## MINUTES MEETING OF MARCH 15, 2019

Chair Pine called the meeting to order at 7:35 am at the San Mateo City Hall, Conference Room 3.

Attendance sheet is attached.

### **1. Public Comments on items not on the agenda.**

Carol Steinfeld proposed the committee, after launching the new agency, switch its focus to addressing state-of-the-art water supply management, specifically water supply diversification, emergency water supply, decentralized water reuse, and advanced conservation.

### **2. Approval of minutes from the February 8, 2019 meeting.**

*Motion: Member Vaterlaus moved to approve the February 8, 2019 minutes as presented; Seconded by Member Addiego; Motion carried 8-0.*

### **3. Receive update on March 14, 2019 C/CAG Board of Directors adoption of geographic areas representation.**

C/CAG staff provided an update on the status of the geographic areas representation for establishing the new Board of Directors for the Flood and Sea Level Rise Resiliency District. At its March 14, 2019 meeting the C/CAG Board unanimously approved the adoption of the proposed geographic areas representation based on a combination of population and geographic location (northern, central, southern, and coastal). Though Daly City is not often considered a coastal city, a portion of Daly City does drain to the ocean and to balance out the population of the coastal region in terms of representation, Daly City was included in the coastal group. Staff reported that the C/CAG Board had some questions about the proposed staggered terms of new board members, as well as when the new board of the district would become active. It was recommended that solicitation not begin prior to all the cities considering the proposal for endorsement.

### **4. Receive update on city engagement efforts on the proposed Flood and Sea Level Rise Resiliency Agency (FSLRRA).**

Larry Paterson provided an update on recent activities to engage the town/city councils on the Flood and Sea Level Rise Resiliency District (FLSRRD) proposal (note – the proper entity title is “District” as noted in AB 825 (Mullin). Mr. Patterson reminded the Committee the schedule of meetings and status of endorsement is available online – [www.resilientsanmateo.org](http://www.resilientsanmateo.org). Mr. Patterson stated all cities that have been presented to have been supportive. Agencies that are marked as “gray” in the meeting schedule, are indicated as requiring a second meeting for consideration of endorsement. It was noted that members of one council inquired about why C/CAG’s Board was being identified as the selecting body for the new board rather than the City Select Committee. Others questioned the justification for a seven-member board as opposed to a 21-member board representing every entity in the county. Cities with existing MOU projects raised concerns over the continuity of those projects and representation if representatives from their jurisdictions were not appointed to the new board. It was reassured that members of existing MOU projects

would maintain control and oversight with respect to those projects. Mr. Patterson confirmed the outreach to cities would be complete in mid-April.

**5. Receive update and provide input on initial staffing and transition plan for the FSLRRA.**

Mr. Patterson provided an update on the initial staffing plan for the new entity. The Committee reviewed a workplan that includes efforts needed to be complete prior to and after July 2019 to set up the new District. The following key milestones were identified and discussed:

- New board “board in waiting” to be backed by legislation in the Sept/Jan timeframe when legislation is passed.
- The board in waiting will become active by July 1, 2019.
- C/CAG will need to create recruitment brochures and a solicitation process soon after all the agencies endorse the proposal and initial funding commitment.
- The board in waiting will hire an executive director, likely contracted through the existing County Board of Supervisors, which is the Board of the current Flood Control District.
- The executive director and any additional new staff will develop and RFP for consultant services to create a FSLRRD Investment Plan, funded in part from the County and the initial startup funds from the other agencies.
- Legislation to be considered by the Governor in Jan 2020, at which point the board in waiting would become the formal governing body.
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**6. Adjournment.**

Meeting was adjourned at 9:09 am. Next meeting is scheduled for March 15, 2019.