

**CITY/COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
Water Committee**

**MINUTES
MEETING OF FEBRUARY 3, 2016**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Joe Goethals in the First Floor Conference Room at 155 Bovet Road, San Mateo, at 5:35 p.m. Attendance sheet is attached.

1. Nomination and election of a Chair and a Vice Chair.

Chair:

Member O'Connell (San Bruno) moved to nominate and elect Mary Ann Nihart as the Chair, member Gordon seconded. Member Pine moved to nominate and elect Joe Goethals as the Chair, member Horsley seconded.

Staff gathered and announced the ballot result as follows:

Members Futrell, Goethals, Horsley, Lewis, Patterson, and Pine, voted for Joe Goethals.

Members Derwin, Gordon, Jackson, Nihart, O'Connell (Brisbane), O'Connell (San Bruno), and Sandkulla, voted for Mary Ann Nihart.

Mary Ann Nihart was elected the Chair (7-6).

Vice Chair:

Member Horsley moved to nominate and elect Dave Pine as the Vice Chair, member Goethals seconded. Motioned carried unanimously.

2. Public Comments on items not on the agenda.

None

3. Approval of minutes of January 6, 2016 meeting.

Member Goethals moved approval of the minutes, member O'Connell (Brisbane) seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Presentation from the Santa Clara Valley Water District (information item).

Ms. Barbara Keegan, Chair of the Board, Santa Clara Valley Water District (SCVWD), provided a presentation on the agency, including its history, mission, area of responsibilities, governance, programs, and funding sources. Ms. Keegan was joined by her staff, Rick Callender, Deputy Administrative Officer of SCVWD.

Ms. Keegan mentioned tour of their "Advanced Water Purification Center" is available. Members of the committee expressed interest and directed staff to set up a tour.

5. Presentation on Integrated Regional Water Management (information item).

Mr. Stephen Ritchie, Chair of the Coordinating Committee for the Bay Area Integrate Regional Water Management Plan (BAIRWMP), provided a presentation on the IRWM funding. The BAIRWMP is a nine-county effort to coordinate and improve water supply reliability, protect water quality, manage flood protection, maintain public health standards, protect habitat and watershed resources, and enhance the overall health of the Bay.

More importantly, it is a way to access state water bond funding. Many water bond funding elements have made inclusion in an IRWMP a prerequisite for funding. Mr. Ritchie showed a list of projects funded in San Mateo County. He also encouraged more participation from San Mateo County agencies.

Projects in the following functional areas are included in BAIRWMP: Water Supply/Water Quality, Wastewater/Recycle Water, Flood Control/Stormwater, Habitat/Watersheds.

Draft guidelines for the upcoming Prop 1 IRWM funding round were released in January. It is projected that \$65 million will be available for Bay Area projects. Applications for funding are due to Department of Water Resources around August. Information on BAIRWMP can be found at: <http://www.bairwmp.org/>

6. San Mateo County Improving Flood Control in County's Area of Responsibility. (information item)

Mr. Jim Porter, San Mateo County Director of Public Works, provided a presentation on their upcoming proposal to the County Board of Supervisors for approval of funding to expand on flood control responsibilities. The proposal includes \$200,000 in FY 15/16 for two new full-time positions, as well as additional future funding for the next three years for projects. If approved by the Board of Supervisors, this funding will include providing support to C/CAG's Water Committee.

7. Update on mapping of water issues in GIS. (information item)

C/CAG staff Matt Fabry provided a very brief sample of the in-progress GIS map as part of the Stormwater Green Infrastructure Resource planning effort.

8. Discussion on committee workplan (Action).

Committee members had a short discussion on how to define its work for the rest of this calendar year. Since inception, the committee has gathered information via hearing presentations from various agencies. One more presentation from the SF Litorel Cell is being scheduled for the March meeting. Staff recommended the committee to hold a facilitated discussion at the April meeting to define its work and desired outcome to be submitted back to the C/CAG Board.

9. Member comments and announcements (information item).

Members requested to hold future meetings in a larger room.

9. Adjournment.