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MEETING AGENDA **San Mateo Countywide Water Coordination** **Committee (SMCWCC)**

Date: Wednesday, April 18, 2018
7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.
Place: San Mateo City Hall
Conference Room C (across from Council Chamber)
330 West 20th Avenue
San Mateo, CA

PLEASE CALL Reid Bogert (599-1433) IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND

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| 1. | Public comment on items not on the agenda. | Presentations are limited to 3 mins | |
| 2. | Approval of minutes from the February 21, 2018 meeting. | Action (Pine) | Pages 1 - 3 |
| 3. | Receive update on the “ <i>Floods, Drought, Rising Seas, Oh My!</i> ” <i>Challenges and Opportunities for Water Management in San Mateo County</i> summit. | Action (Pine) | Page 4 |
| 4. | Discussion on next steps to countywide water collaboration – One Water. | Information (Pine) | Page 5 |
| 5. | Member comments and announcements. | Information | |
| 6. | Adjournment.
(Next meeting – May 16, 2018) | Action (Pine) | |

NOTE: All items appearing on the agenda are subject to action by the Committee. Actions recommended by staff are subject to change by the Committee.

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Countywide Water Coordination Committee

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MINUTES

MEETING OF FEBRUARY 21, 2018

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

Attendance sheet is attached.

1. Public Comments on items not on the agenda.

None.

2. Approval of minutes from the January 17, 2018 meeting.

Motion: Member Gauthier moved to approve the January 17, 2017 minutes as presented; Seconded by Member Vaterlaus; Motion carried unanimously.

3. Receive update on the Countywide Water Extreme Summit “Floods, Drought, Rising Seas, Oh My!” and provide input to event plans.

Committee members received an update on the planning process for the countywide water summit. Staff presented Canada College’s Grove conference room as a recommended alternative venue to the Theater, due to considerations of capacity, centralized breakout sessions and overall site suitability. Members discussed approach for tracking attendees who had already RSVP’d, with a focus on recruiting elected officials and high-level staff from each jurisdiction in the County. Staff shared information on agencies and projects that committed to participate in the poster session of the event, updated the members on plans for two panel presentations, and discussed plans for creating an agenda packet, which could include one-page poster project descriptions for attendees to take home. The County water coordination website will later post event details and follow-up information and resources. Members discussed whether a separate session should be held to focus on funding and governance issues, using the countywide stormwater program and the San Francisquito Creek Joint Powers Authority as case studies for dialogue.

4. Discussion on next steps to countywide water collaboration.

Chair Pine led a discussion about next steps for creating a unified water agency or department within an existing agency to better coordinate flood control- and sea level rise- related projects and competitively pursue state and federal funding. Another benefit of a single agency would be the potential to levy new assessments for increased revenue to successfully plan and build projects. Brian Perkins, District Director for Congresswoman Jackie Speier, presented the Port of San Francisco’s Sea Wall Resiliency Project as an example of a single agency effectively pursuing federal funding for a major water infrastructure project. Similarly, Perkins shared the five-year capital improvement program for the Santa Clara Valley Water District to demonstrate another agency’s successful efforts to secure state and federal funding for a comprehensive project list, including from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Members discussed the formation of an ad-hoc workgroup consisting of one

elected official, one senior manager, and one technical staff representative from each of the geographic regions represented on the Committee (north, central, south, coastal, and unincorporated), to provide advice and recommendation for creation of such a “one-water” agency. Chair Pine also recognized a need for consultant support to facilitate the ad-hoc workgroup.

5. Member comments and announcements (information item).

None.

7. Adjournment.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:55 am. Next meeting is scheduled for April 18, 2018.

Countywide Water Coordination Committee Attendance								
Committee Member	Agency	1/17/2018	2/21/2018	4/18/2018	5/16/2018	7/18/2018	9/19/2018	10/21/2018
Dave Pine (Chair)	County of San Mateo	X	X					
Lisa Yarbrough-Gauthier (Vice Chair)	East Palo Alto	X	X					
Sue Vaterlaus	Pacifica	X	X					
Diane Papan	San Mateo		X					
Mark Addiego	South San Francisco	X						
Others in attendance (February 21, 2018):								
Sandy Wong	C/CAG							
Matt Fabry	C/CAG							
Reid Bogert	C/CAG							
Michael Barber	County Board of Supervisors (District 1)							
Jim Porter	San Mateo County (Public Works Director)							
Danielle Lee	San Mateo County (Office of Sustainability)							
Brian Perkins	District Director, Congresswoman Jackie Speier's Office							

C/CAG AGENDA REPORT

Date: April 18, 2018

To: San Mateo Countywide Water Coordination Committee

From: Sandy Wong, Executive Director, C/CAG

Subject: Receive update on the “*Floods, Drought, Rising Seas, Oh My!*” *Challenges and Opportunities for Water Management in San Mateo County* summit.

Recommendation:

That the San Mateo Countywide Water Coordination Committee receive an update on the “*Floods, Droughts, Rising Seas, Oh My!*” *Challenges and Opportunities for Water Management in San Mateo County* summit.

Fiscal Impact:

The event cost is estimated at \$10,000, to be jointly funded by the County of San Mateo and C/CAG.

Source of Funds:

C/CAG funds will come from the General Fund.

Background:

C/CAG and the County of San Mateo jointly held a “water summit” on March 30 to educate attendees regarding various water-related issues in San Mateo County, elevate the importance of inter-agency collaboration on achieving integrated, multi-benefit solutions, and engage elected officials, local agency staffs, regulatory agencies, non-governmental and community stakeholders, and the general public on water management issues such as flooding, stormwater quality, rising sea level, groundwater management, coastside water challenges, and finance and governance. C/CAG Chair Aguirre and Supervisor Pine welcomed all the attendees. The event included opening remarks by Senator Jerry Hill and Assemblymember Kevin Mullin, a keynote presentation by Grant Davis, General Manager for the Sonoma County Water Agency (former Director of California Department of Water Resources), expert panels on challenges for water management and opportunities for collaboration on governance and funding, a breakout poster session highlighting more than 25 key water projects happening throughout the county, and a closing video address by Congresswoman Jackie Speier. Over 375 people registered to attend the event.

Committee members that attended will have an opportunity to provide verbal reports on the event.

Attachments:

None.

C/CAG AGENDA REPORT

Date: April 18, 2018
To: San Mateo Countywide Water Coordination Committee
From: Sandy Wong, Executive Director of C/CAG
Subject: Discussion on next steps to countywide water collaboration – “One Water”

Recommendation:

That the San Mateo Countywide Water Coordination Committee discuss convening a “Working Group” to chart the next steps for a countywide flood control and sea level rise “One Water” agency.

Fiscal Impact:

None.

Background:

Building on momentum from the March 30, 2018 Countywide Water Extremes Summit “*Floods, Droughts, Rising Seas, Oh My!*” and recognizing the need for further coordinated efforts to plan, fund and build flood control and sea level rise projects at the countywide level, it is recommended this committee discuss next steps for a “one-water” agency to better compete for Federal, State, and other funding sources. It is recommended the Working Group include members of the current San Mateo Countywide Water Coordination Committee, with the addition of appropriate technical experts, executive staff of local jurisdictions, and other elected officials.

Attachment:

None.