



## **REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
MALAGA COUNTY WATER DISTRICT  
ALTERNATE MEETING ROOM  
3582 SOUTH WINERY AVENUE  
FRESNO, CALIFORNIA 93725  
Tuesday, September 12, 2023 at 6:00PM**

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*Please submit all written correspondence for the Board of Directors by 12:00 pm the Friday prior to the meeting. Please deliver or mail to the District Clerk.*

### **1. Call to Order:**

- 2. Roll Call:** President Charles Garabedian, Jr.; Vice President Salvador Cerrillo; Director Irma Castaneda; Director Frank Cerrillo, Jr.; Director Carlos Tovar, Jr.

**Also present: Norma Melendez, Moises Ortiz & Michael Slater.**

- 3. Certification:** Certification was made that the Board Meeting Agenda was posted 72 hours in advance of the meeting.
- 4. Consent Agenda.** The items listed below in the Consent Agenda are routine in nature and are usually approved by a single vote. Prior to any action by the Board of Directors, any Board member may remove an item from the consent agenda for further discussion. Items removed from the Consent Agenda may be heard immediately following approval of the Consent Agenda or set aside for discussion and action after Regular Business.

- a. Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of August 22, 2023.

Recommended action: To approve the Consent Agenda as presented or amended.

**Motion by Director Cerrillo, Jr.; Second by Director Tovar, Jr. and by a 3-0 vote to approve the consent agenda as presented.**

**The President suggested to skip item 5.a. until the other board members arrived.**

**All present. VP Cerrillo arrived after rollcall, 6:02p.m.**

**Director Castaneda joined the meeting via video call at 6:19p.m.**

### **5. Old Business:**

- a. **IT Support Proposals.** A continued discussion from the previous board meeting. The district received proposals from BCT, PC Solutions and UNITY for IT services. Unity IT proposal is up to \$1,680.00 per month. PC Solutions' proposal of up to \$2,938.00 and BCT's proposal of \$2,500.00 per month. Each proposal offers different details contributing to the price. The district's current IT provider is PC Solutions.

Recommended action: To continue IT services with PC Solutions.

**Motion by Director Castaneda; Second by Director Cerrillo, Jr. and by a 5-0 vote to continue IT services with PC Solutions.**

**6. New Business:**

- a. **Drought Relief.** The Department of Water Resources has notified MCWD that a Contract Amendment has been authorized for additional funding and that MCWD is authorized to proceed to construction. DWR is finalizing the official contract and will route to MCWD in the immediate future.

It is recommended that MCWD issue a Notice of Award to Steve Dovali Construction.

**Recommended Action:** Authorize issuance of the Notice of Award to Steve Dovali Construction.

**Motion by Director Cerrillo, Jr.; Second by Vice President Cerrillo, and by a 4-0 vote to authorize issuance of the Notice of Award to Steve Dovali Construction.**

- b. **Resolution 09-12-2023.** A resolution granting an easement to the Fresno Irrigation District for the district's well 5A project. Easement location is S/E North and Peach Avenues.

Recommended action: to approve Resolution 09-12-2023 and Grant of Easement for the Well 5A Project.

**Motion by Vice President Cerrillo; Second by Director Cerrillo, Jr. and by a 4-0 vote to approve Resolution 09-12-2023 and Grant of Easement for the Well 5A Project.**

**7. Incorporation Reports: None for this meeting.**

**8. Recreation Reports: A recreation meeting has been scheduled for 9/13/2023.**

**9. Engineer Reports:**

- a. District Engineer Report.

1. **American Rescue Plan Act.** The design of the projects is near completion. It is expected that the project will be ready for advertisement by the end of September or early October.  
**Well 5A & Tank Project on Peach Avenue.**

- b. CDBG Engineer Report:

**10. General Manager's Report:**

- a. Rate Study. **List of items they need has been submitted.**
- b. Updated Development Charges spreadsheet.

**11. President's Report:**

**President Garabedian reported that the CSDA conference went well and gained a lot of information from attending. He also reported that Pinedale CWD lost a lawsuit against the City of Fresno. Now the district will have to pay COF attorney fees.**

**12. Vice President's Report:**

**Vice President Cerrillo states that the County of Fresno is neglecting the community of Malaga and its surrounding area. Too much trash and no landscape maintenance from the county.**

**13. Director's Reports:**

**None for this meeting.**

**14. Legal Counsel Report:**

**None for this meeting.**

**15. Communications:**

a. Written Communications:

1. Provost and Pritchard invitation to their open house, Tuesday, October 3, 2023, from 4:00-7:00pm at their Clovis location.
2. **Affordable Connectivity Program.** The County of Fresno provides information for the ACP program for free home internet for CalFresh and Medi-Cal households. **The community will receive a copy of the flyers. Distribution is scheduled for 9/15/2023.**

b. Public Comment: *The Public may address the Malaga County Water District Board on item(s) of interest within the jurisdiction of the Board, not appearing on the agenda. The Board will listen to comments presented; however, in compliance with the Brown Act, the Board cannot take action on items that are not on the agenda. The public should address the Board on agenda items at the time they are addressed by the Board. All speakers are requested to wait until recognized by the Board President. All Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes or less per individual/group per item per meeting, with a fifteen (15) minutes maximum.*

**16. Closed Session: 6:50p.m.**

- a. Pending Litigation Malaga v. CSJ Construction (Government Code Section 54956.9).  
**Nothing to report.**

**17. Adjournment:**

**Motion by Vice President Cerrillo, Second by Director Tovar, Jr. and by a 5-0 vote to adjourn the meeting at 7:23p.m.**

**Certification of Posting**

I, Norma Melendez, District Clerk of the Malaga County Water District, do hereby certify that the foregoing minutes for the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of September 12, 2023, was posted for public view on the front window of the MCWD office at 3580 S. Frank Street, Fresno Ca 93725, on 09/27/2023.

*Norma Melendez*, District Clerk