



REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MALAGA COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
3580 SOUTH FRANK AVENUE
FRESNO, CALIFORNIA 93725
Tuesday, September 23, 2025 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: 6:00pm

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

Not present at roll call: Vice President Cerrillo.

Also present: Norma Melendez and 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 September 9, 2025.
- b. Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of September 16, 2025.

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

Motion by Director Cerrillo, Jr.; Second by Director Tovar, Jr. and by a 5-0 vote to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Vice President Cerrillo arrived after the motion for the consent agenda. 6:02pm.

5. Old Business:

- a. **Resolution No. 09-23-2025-- CDBG 26-27 Project Proposal.** Project applications for CDBG Projects in FY 2026-27 are due to Fresno County Planning by September 26, 2025. A public hearing was conducted on September 16 where the board and members of the community made suggestions for consideration. Project listed included: pool revitalization, replacing the floor at the recreation center, kitchen remodel and replacing or repairing the padding at the playground. Staff recommend that the District submit a project proposal to revitalize the pool to improve pump efficiency, improve filtration system, and to continue promoting social equity.

Recommended action: Select project and approve submission of the application for CDBG 2026-2027 funding and designate the Board President as signing authority for the project.

Motion by Vice President Cerrillo; Second by Director Tovar, Jr. and by a 5-0 vote to select the following projects for consideration for the 26/27 CDBG projects: 1. Pool Revitalization 2. Kitchen upgrades 3. Recreation Center Floor replacement.

- b. **Public Hearing on Proposed New Water Rates and Consideration and Necessary Action on Resolution No. 9-23-2025A, Approving the Proposed New Rates.** Pursuant to the requirements of Proposition 218 (California Constitution Article XIII(D)), notice of this public hearing was given by mail on or about August 1, 2025, in English and Spanish. A copy of the Notice and the rate study are included in the agenda packet. Resolution No. 9/23/2025A would approve the proposed water and sewer rates as set forth in the public notice effective October 1, 2025.

Public comments opened at 6:13pm and closed at 6:30pm.

Recommended action: to hold public hearing and approve resolution 09-23-2025A.

Motion by Vice President Cerrillo, Second by Director Cerrillo, Jr. and by a 5-0 vote to approve Resolution No. 9-23-2025A, approving the proposed rates which will come to effect October 1, 2025. No written protest received.

- c. **Resolution No. 09-23-2025B.** A resolution adopting and amending the District's Master Fee Schedule of Fees, Charges, Penalties and Recovered Costs.

Recommended action: To approve resolution 09-23-2025B as presented or amended.

Motion by Vice President Cerrillo, Second by Director Castaneda and by a 5-0 vote to approve resolution 09-23-2025B, adopting and amending the District's Master Fee Schedule.

6. New Business: None for this meeting.

7. Recreation Reports:

Director Castaneda reported that the recreation department received various donations for the Fiesta Day raffle. The recreation committee are wrapping up plans for Fiesta Days.

8. Engineer Reports:

a. District Engineer Report.

b. CDBG Engineer Report:

i. Progress Payment No. 1 for the WWTP Nitrogen Reduction Project.

9. General Manager's Report:

Vice President Cerrillo reported that lights have been installed at Well 3A. The security camera agreement was modified to 6 months of use. The blower at the WWTF has been installed. The next step is working on the electrical. Shady Lakes project (Comunidad Nuevo Lago) is under environmental review.

10. President's Report: None for this meeting.

11. Vice President's Report: report under GM report.

12. Director's Reports: None for this meeting.

13. Legal Counsel Report: None for this meeting.

14. Communications:

a. Written Communications: **None for this meeting.**

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.*

15. Closed Session: None for this meeting.

16. Adjournment:

Motion by Director Castaneda, Second by Director Cerrillo, Jr. and by a 5-0 vote to adjourn the meeting at 6:56pm.

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 23, 2025, was posted for public view on the front window of the MCWD office at 3580 S. Frank Street, Fresno Ca 93725, on 10/15/2025.

Norma Melendez, District Clerk