



REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MALAGA COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
ALTERNATE MEETING ROOM
3582 SOUTH WINERY AVENUE
FRESNO, CALIFORNIA 93725
Tuesday, September 26, 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: 6:00pm

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

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 12, 2023.
- b. Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of September 19, 2023.

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

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

5. Old Business: None for this meeting.

6. New Business:

- a. **Wastewater Plant Access Entrance.** Asphalt Technologies submitted two quotes for the repair of access entrance at the WWTF. The first quote is for \$49,800.00 which includes site grading, HMA paving, concrete swale, rock area and the other for \$74,800.00 which includes optional concrete & levee road oil. Project has been funded by HSR.

Recommended action: board pleasure.

Motion by Vice President Cerrillo, Second by Director Tovar, Jr. and by a 5-0 vote to approve quote of \$49,800.00 to repair access entrance at the WWTF.

7. **Incorporation Reports:** President Garabedian, Jr. stated that the main goal at this time is to complete the rate study to move forward with other incorporation tasks.

8. **Recreation Reports:**

Director Castaneda mentioned that they are already discussing details for the Halloween program in October and finishing off last minute tasks for the Fiesta Day event.

Vice President Cerrillo said everyone is excited for the car show during Fiesta Day. The main character of Grupo Galope will mention Fiesta Day on a radio station.

Director Tovar, Jr. expressed his concern regarding gang members congregating at the park, drinking alcoholic beverages while underaged. The director requests that all staff call the sheriff department to report these sightings. Legal counsel intervened stating the district needs to be careful as to not discriminate against groups. President Garabedian, Jr. directed the GM to distribute a flyer that contains the sheriff department phone number and asking the community to report gang activity around the community.

9. **Engineer Reports:**

a. District Engineer Report. **None.**

b. CDBG Engineer Report: **None.**

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

a. Soccer Contract

b. Sewer Units

c. Buddy Mendes response letter

11. **President's Report:**

President Garabedian, Jr. suggests moving the October 10 regular board meeting to Thursday October 12 as some board members will be unavailable due to family funeral services. Unanimous decision to move the board meeting date.

12. **Vice President's Report: None for this meeting.**

13. **Director's Reports: Reports under Recreation.**

14. **Legal Counsel Report: None for this meeting.**

15. **Communications:**

a. Written Communications:

1. The Department of Public Works of the County of Fresno sent notice to interested parties regarding the Public Comment Period. Public Comments for Fresno County's Draft 6th-Cycle Housing Element is from September 1st, 2023, to October 2nd, 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.*

1. John Morelos—Voicing his concern in regard to gang gatherings at the park.

16. Closed Session: None for this meeting.

17. Adjournment:

Motion by Vice President Cerrillo, Second by Director Cerrillo, Jr. and by a 5-0 vote to adjourn the meeting at 7:34pm.

Certification of Posting

I, Norma Melendez, District Clerk of the Malaga County Water District, do hereby certify that the foregoing agenda for the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of September 26, 2023, was posted for public view on the front window of the MCWD office at 3580 S. Frank Street, Fresno Ca 93725, at 5:00P.M. On 10/13/2023.

Norma Melendez, District Clerk