

# SAN ANTONIO WATER COMPANY

# **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA**

Tuesday, April 06, 2021

**Organizational Meeting Held Virtually** Following the Annual Shareholders Meeting Starting at 6 pm in the Upland City Hall Council Chambers

Please join us from your computer, tablet, or smartphone: https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/458709093

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Recognitions and Presentations: None 1.

2. Additions-Deletions to the Agenda: None

#### 3. **Public Comments**

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# Organizational Activities:

Selection of a temporary Chairman for the election of Board Officers

- A. Election for the Office of President
- B. Election for the Office of Vice President
- C. Election for the Office of Secretary/Chief Financial Officer

#### Designations and Authorities: 5.

- A. Representative to the Six Basins Watermaster (Primary) and (Alternate).
- B. Representative to Chino Basin Appropriative Pool (Primary) and (Alternate).
- C. Representative to Cucamonga Basin Management Committee (Primary) and (Alternate).
- D. Representative to Pomona Valley Protective Association [PVPA]
- E. Assistant Secretary/Assistant Financial Officer
- F. Representatives for the Administration & Finance Committee
- G. Representatives for the Planning, Resources & Operations Committee
- H. Company General Counsel
- I. Company Special Counsel
- J. Company Auditor
- K. Company Depositories
- L. Signatories for Company checks, establishing accounts and account withdrawals
- M. General Manager's Authority

#### 6. Director's Fiduciary Duties and Liabilities

Annual review of Director's responsibilities

#### Conflict of Interest Rules and AB54 Compliance for Directors: 7.

Brief review by Legal Counsel

## Closed Session:

None.

### Adjournment:

The next regular Board Meeting will be on April 20, 2021.

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# Agenda Item No. 5

Item Title: Designations and Authorities

# Issue:

That the Board review the proposed designations and make recommendations as appropriate.

# Background:

This grouped item, as considered annually by the Directors during the Organizational Meeting, contains the Company's designation of representatives to other entities; appointment of subordinate officers; the specification of authorities, fiscal depositories and signatories all on behalf of the Company.

The current designations for each function are shown for reference. Each may be changed or re-designated by an action of the Board of Directors.

A. Representatives to the Six Basins Watermaster Currently, the Assistant General Manager, Teri Layton serves as the Primary representative and Mr. Tommy Hudspeth, Water Utility Superintendent, serves as the Alternate.

<u>Recommendation</u> – Unless directed otherwise, Staff recommends no changes in representation.

B. Representatives to Chino Basin Appropriative Pool Currently, the General Manager, Brian Lee serves as the Primary representative and Assistant General Manager, Teri Layton serves as the Alternate.

<u>Recommendation</u> – Unless directed otherwise, Staff recommends no changes in representation.

C. Representatives to Cucamonga Basin Management Committee Currently, the Assistant General Manager, Teri Layton serves as the Primary representative and General Manager, Brian Lee serves as the Alternate.

<u>Recommendation</u> – Unless directed otherwise, Staff recommends no changes in representation.

D. Representative to Pomona Valley Protective Association [PVPA] Currently, the Primary representative is Tom Thomas, President.

<u>Recommendation</u> - Unless directed otherwise, Staff recommends no changes in representation

E. Assistant Secretary/Assistant Financial Officer
General Manager Brian Lee currently serves in this position.

<u>Recommendation</u> – Unless directed otherwise, Staff recommends Mr. Brian Lee, General Manager, continue to serve as the Assistant Secretary/Assistant Financial Officer.

F. Representatives for the Administration & Finance Committee (AFC)
Current committee members – Jose' Sanchez (Chair), Bob Cable, Rudy Zuniga, Tom
Thomas (ex-officio).

Recommendation: - Staff recommends the Board appoint Director Martha Goss as replacement for outgoing Director Jose' Sanchez and, if the remaining Committees members are willing to stay on, staff would recommend the continuation of existing Committee members.

G. Representatives for the Planning, Resources and Operations Committee (PROC)

Current committee members – Will Elliott (Chair), Martha Goss, Gino Filippi, Tom Thomas (ex-officio).

<u>Recommendation</u> – Staff recommends the Board appoint Director Kati Parker to replace outgoing Director Gino Filippi and appoint Director Bill Velto to replace Director Martha Goss, who is moving to the Administration & Finance Committee (AFC). Otherwise, if the remaining Committee members are willing to stay on, staff would recommend the continuation of the remaining Committee members.

- H. Company General Counsel Services currently provided by Tom McPeters, Esq. No changes recommended.
- Special Counsel Fred Fudacz of Nossaman LLP
   [Note: On November 21, 2006, the Board approved to engage Fred Fudacz as Special Counsel to work specifically on special projects and to work closely with general counsel.]

No changes recommended

J. Company Auditor – Bowen, McBeth, Inc.

No changes recommended

- K. Company Depositories Citizens Business Bank, Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF) and any other qualifying financial institution (FDIC Insured) that conforms with the Company's Investment Policy is designated for and as a valid depository for Company funds.
- L. Signatories for Company Checks, Withdrawals and Establishing Accounts Any two (2) signatures, including that of the President, Vice President, Secretary/Chief Financial Officer, the General Manager or the Assistant General Manager are hereby authorized and required to sign checks, withdraw funds, and establish accounts on behalf of the Company with at least one Corporate Officer signing on any transaction greater that \$5,000, except for fund transfers between Company accounts or on routine payments for operations expense (e.g. electrical energy usage, taxes, et al.) and as otherwise granted under authority to the General Manager. In addition, the Accounting and Personnel Specialist has authority to transfer up to \$45,000 to facilitate payroll and electronic payments with provisions of internal accounting controls in place.
- M. General Manager Authority -

A. General Manager's expenditure authority limitation is \$50,000. [Note: Prior to October 20, 1997, the general manager's expenditure authority was limited to \$5,000. Due to the timely nature of certain repair needs, as well as the usual range of such costs, the Board acted to increase the expenditure authority limitation to \$50,000. This was done with the understanding that such necessary expenditures would be reported to the Board in a timely manner].

B. General Manager's authority to execute professional service agreements. [Note: On November 19<sup>th</sup> and December 17<sup>th</sup> of 2001, the general manager was authorized to approve and execute professional service agreements once they had been reviewed and approved by corporate counsel and after the Board's review and approval of funding. No such action may be taken on any agreement or amendment to an agreement that would cause the expenditure to exceed any prior Board approved funding authorization.]