



## Minutes

### Del Paso Manor Water District and Sacramento Suburban Water District Joint Special Board Meeting December 11, 2024

#### Location:

3701 Marconi Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821, and Audio Conference at 1-669-900-6833, and Video Conference using Zoom at Meeting ID #841 2512 2752

#### Call to Order – Videoconference/Audioconference Meeting

Del Paso Manor Water District (DPMWD) Board Vice President Carl Dolk (Chair Dolk) called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

#### Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Dolk led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### Roll Call

##### SSWD Directors

Present: Jay Boatwright, Diana Lynch, Kevin Thomas, and Robert Wichert.

##### SSWD Directors

Absent: Craig Locke.

##### DPMWD Directors

Present: Carl Dolk, Gwynne Pratt, and David Ross.

##### DPMWD Directors

Absent: None.

SSWD Staff Present: Sacramento Suburban Water District (SSWD) General Manager Dan York (SSWD GM York), Assistant General Manager Matt Underwood, Jeff Ott, and Heather Hernandez-Fort.

##### DPMWD Staff

Present: DPMWD General Manager Adam Coyan (DPMWD GM Coyan).

##### Public Present:

SSWD Legal Counsel Josh Horowitz, Eric Richardson, DPMWD Legal Counsel Mona Ebrahimi, Jose Henriquez, William Eubanks, Victoria Hoppe, Trish Harrington, Roy Wilson, Alan Driscoll, Alex Peterson,

Desirae Fox, Marissa Burt, Sandi Wemmer, Lori Marschall, John Hoffman, Sabrina Gluch, and Kathy Lauer.

**Announcements:**

None.

**Public Comment**

Sandi Wemmer inquired if the districts could coordinate the DPMWD water main replacement projects with the Sacramento County’s storm drain projects currently in progress.

SSWD GM York explained that the District does work with the County of Sacramento Department of Transportation to see if project coordination is possible.

DPMWD GM Coyan expressed he has been in contact with Sacramento County regarding their storm drain projects.

Eric Richardson expressed that he felt the water that SSWD has previously banked in the basin should be retained within the current SSWD boundaries and should not be transferred outside of SSWD.

**Consent Items**

1. **Draft Minutes of the November 13, 2024, Del Paso Manor Water District and Sacramento Suburban Water District Joint Special Board Meeting**  
SSWD GM York presented the staff report.

DPMWD Director Ross moved to approve the Consent Item; DPMWD Director Pratt seconded.

The DPMWD motion passed by unanimous vote.

DPMWD Vote:

AYES:	Dolk, Pratt, and Ross.	ABSTAINED:	
NOES:		RECUSED:	
ABSENT:			

SSWD Director Wichert moved to approve the Consent Item, SSWD Director Boatwright seconded.

The SSWD motion passed by unanimous vote.

SSWD Vote:

AYES:	Boatwright, Lynch, Thomas, and Wichert.	ABSTAINED:	
NOES:		RECUSED:	
ABSENT:	Locke.		

## **Items for Discussion and/or Action**

### **2. Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission Resolution**

DPMWD Chair Dolk introduced the staff report.

William Eubanks (Mr. Eubanks) expressed he was against a combination with DPMWD.

DPMWD Director Pratt pointed out that language in the DPMWD's resolution needed to be corrected, as it currently stated "SSWD," where it should read "DPMWD." She pointed out that those changes should be made throughout the entire resolution.

Chair Dolk read a public comment from Tim Shafer in support of the combination, however, in opposition of selling of any previously banked water from SSWD and noted that he felt that water should be retained within the current SSWD boundaries.

SSWD Director Wichert wanted to ensure that the proceeds from the selling of any banked water by SSWD would not be used to subsidize DPMWD improvements.

SSWD Legal Counsel Josh Horowitz (Mr. Horowitz) pointed out that the intent of the resolution was that while the DPMWD service area still existed, and improvements were being made to bring DPMWD to the standards set by the two Boards, the existing ratepayers of each agency would be responsible for paying for the operations and maintenance of each agency, noting that once the two Districts were combined, then it would be unified as one district.

DPMWD Director Ross pointed out that during the transition period of the two Districts, SSWD would not be financing any of DPMWD's improvements.

SSWD Director Wichert suggested adding additional language into the resolution.

DPMWD Director Ross pointed out that there was already language in the resolution addressing his concerns.

SSWD Director Wichert reiterated that he just wanted to be clear that no funds from SSWD would be used for subsidizing DPMWD upgrades during the transition period.

Both legal counsels pointed out that language to this effect was already included in the resolution.

SSWD Director Wichert pointed out that he was not in favor of using the term "assessment."

Mr. Horowitz explained that the term assessment district would be the most appropriate.

DPMWD Director Pratt moved to approve the DPMWD resolution, with the amendment of correcting the language as described previously; DPMWD Director Ross seconded.

The DPMWD motion passed by unanimous vote.

DPMWD Vote:

AYES:	Dolk, Pratt, and Ross.	ABSTAINED:	
NOES:		RECUSED:	
ABSENT:			

SSWD Director Boatwright moved to approve the SSWD resolution, SSWD Director Lynch seconded.

The SSWD motion passed by unanimous vote.

SSWD Vote:

AYES:	Boatwright, Lynch, Thomas, and Wichert.	ABSTAINED:	
NOES:		RECUSED:	
ABSENT:	Locke.		

3. **Plan for Services and Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission Application Timeline Update**

SSWD GM York presented the staff report.

4. **Grant Funding Status**

Jeff Ott presented the staff report and provided a status update.

SSWD Director Wichert inquired when staff would know when it would be complete.

SSWD GM York expressed this item would remain on the agenda and staff would continue to provide updates.

5. **Reorganization Task List**

SSWD GM York presented the staff report.

6. **Operations Assistance Update**

DPMWD GM Coyan presented the staff report.

SSWD Director Wichert asked clarifying questions.

Kathy Lauer inquired if DPMWD had banked water that they could sell.

DPMWD Legal Counsel Mona Ebrahimi explained that DPMWD does have some banked water, but that they have never been in a situation where that would occur.

7. **Director Comments**

There were no Director comments.

8. **Agenda Items for Future Joint Board Meetings**

SSWD GM York presented the staff report, noting that most of the current agenda items would remain, except the resolutions.

SSWD Director Wichert recommended to have an idea of who was doing the various tasks and when staff expects to have them complete.

DPMWD Director Ross recommended an agenda item for an occasional update from LAFCo.

SSWD GM York expressed including an item on communication.

SSWD Assistant General Manager Matt Underwood recommended to include the Plan for Services update as well.

DPMWD Director Ross moved to adjourn the meeting; DPMWD Director Pratt seconded.

The DPMWD motion passed by unanimous vote.

DPMWD Vote:

AYES:	Dolk, Pratt, and Ross.	ABSTAINED:	
NOES:		RECUSED:	
ABSENT:			

**Adjournment**

Chair Dolk adjourned the meeting at 6:57 p.m.

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Dan York  
 General Manager/Secretary  
 Sacramento Suburban Water District