

ORANGE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT

MINUTES

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

FEBRUARY 25, 2026



**Headquarters - Board Room
18480 Bandilier Circle
Fountain Valley, CA 92708
(714) 593-7433**

CALL TO ORDER

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Orange County Sanitation District was called to order by Board Chairman Ryan Gallagher on Wednesday, February 25, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room at the Orange County Sanitation District Headquarters. Chair Gallagher delivered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM

The Clerk of the Board declared a quorum present as follows:

- PRESENT:** Debbie Baker, Ted Bui, Pat Burns, Doug Chaffee, Jon Dumitru, Ryan Gallagher, Stephanie Klopfenstein, Lisa Landau, Carlos Leon, Melinda Liu, Christine Marick, Jose Medrano, Jordan Nefulda, Andrew Nguyen, Robert Ooten, Bonnie Peat, David Shawver, Erik Weigand, John Withers, Shana Charles (Alternate), Lamiya Hoque (Alternate), Kelly McBride (Alternate) and Ward Smith (Alternate)
- ABSENT:** Johnathan Ryan Hernandez and Tom Lindsey

STAFF PRESENT: Rob Thompson, General Manager; Lorenzo Tyner, Assistant General Manager; Jennifer Cabral, Director of Communications; Mike Dorman, Director of Engineering; Laura Maravilla, Director of Human Resources; Riaz Moinuddin, Director of Operations and Maintenance; Lan Wiborg, Director of Environmental Services; Kelly Lore, Clerk of the Board; Mo Abiodun; Mortimer Caparas; Jackie Castro; Sam Choi; Raul Cuellar; Don Cutler; Thys DeVries; Martin Dix; Justin Fenton; Al Garcia; David Haug; Mark Kawamoto; Tom Meregillano; Rob Michaels; Kevin Work; and Sammady Yi; were present in the Board Room.

OTHERS PRESENT: Scott Smith, General Counsel; Shawn Cobb, Special Counsel, Allen Matkins; and Danielle Dychter, Special Counsel, Michael Sullivan & Associates LLP; were present in the Board Room. Alternate Director Art Perry was present virtually.

A-1 APPOINTMENTS TO THE ORANGE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS [2026-4801](#)

Originator: Kelly Lore

WITHOUT OBJECTION ACTION TAKEN TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE FOLLOWING:

Receive and file minute excerpts of member agencies relating to appointments to the Orange County Sanitation District Board of Directors:

Agency	Director	Alternate Director
Board of Supervisors	Doug Chaffee	Janet Nguyen
City of Fullerton	Jamie Valencia	Shana Charles *

*Continuation of a 2-year appointment

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:**1. EMPLOYEE SERVICE AWARDS**[2026-4788](#)

Originator: Kelly Lore

Chair Gallagher recognized Senior Info Tech Analyst Duc M. Pham for his 20 years of service.

20-year Service Award

Duc M. Pham, Senior Info Tech Analyst - Division 250

REPORTS:

Chair Gallagher announced that the Directors and Alternate Directors would be receiving talking points regarding OC San activities for their use reporting out to their agencies and community groups.

General Manager Thompson reported on meetings he attended or provided presentations including: NACWA 2026 Winter Conference, Clean Water Summit Partners Summit, Presentation provided to OCWD Board and SAWPA Commission on SCWO and BDWI, Hosted IRWD and OCWD for a luncheon to celebrate our renewed partnership and ongoing efforts to review and consolidate the various agreements, Hosted over 100 attendees for the Orange County screening of "Unless Something Goes Terrible Wrong", and participated in a South Orange County Biosolids Workshop to discuss the future of Biosolids Management.

Mr. Thompson reported that OC San completed the purchase of the property located at 18250 Euclid Street for the final purchase price of 26.7 million which was under the Board's authorized amount. He noted that the property sits on a 3.25 acre lot, the building is divided into two primary sections: 33,000 square feet of office space and 30,000 square feet of warehouse space, and that OC San will begin expanding warehouse operations at the end of the existing tenant's lease.

CONSENT CALENDAR:**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**[2026-4705](#)

Originator: Kelly Lore

MOVED, SECONDED, AND DULY CARRIED TO:

Approve minutes of the Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held January 28, 2026.

- AYES:** Debbie Baker, Ted Bui, Pat Burns, Doug Chaffee, Jon Dumitru, Ryan Gallagher, Stephanie Klopfenstein, Lisa Landau, Carlos Leon, Melinda Liu, Christine Marick, Jose Medrano, Jordan Nefulda, Andrew Nguyen, Robert Ooten, Bonnie Peat, David Shawver, Erik Weigand, John Withers, Lamiya Hoque (Alternate), Kelly McBride (Alternate) and Ward Smith (Alternate)
- NOES:** None
- ABSENT:** Johnathan Ryan Hernandez, Tom Lindsey and Shana Charles (Alternate)
- ABSTENTIONS:** None

Alternate Director Shana Charles arrived at the meeting at 6:09 p.m.

RECEIVE AND FILE:

3. COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES [2026-4681](#)

Originator: Kelly Lore

WITHOUT OBJECTION ACTION TAKEN TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE FOLLOWING:

- A. Minutes of the Operations Committee Meeting held December 3, 2025
- B. Minutes of the Administration Committee Meeting held December 10, 2025

4. REPORT OF THE INVESTMENT TRANSACTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2026 [2026-4744](#)

Originator: Wally Ritchie

WITHOUT OBJECTION ACTION TAKEN TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE FOLLOWING:

Report of the Investment Transactions for the month of January 2026.

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE:

5. SUNFLOWER PUMP STATION EFFLUENT CHANNEL REPAIR AT PLANT NO. 1, PROJECT NO. FR1-0026 [2026-4783](#)

Originator: Mike Dorman

MOVED, SECONDED, AND DULY CARRIED TO:

A. Approve a Repair and Replace Services Contract with Structural Preservation Systems, LLC to provide the Sunflower Pump Station Effluent Channel Repair at Plant No. 1 (FR1-0026), Specification No. S-2025-709BD, for a total amount not to exceed \$1,944,791; and

B. Approve a contingency of \$194,479 (10%).

AYES: Debbie Baker, Ted Bui, Pat Burns, Doug Chaffee, Jon Dumitru, Ryan Gallagher, Stephanie Klopfenstein, Lisa Landau, Carlos Leon, Melinda Liu, Christine Marick, Jose Medrano, Jordan Nefulda, Andrew Nguyen, Robert Ooten, Bonnie Peat, David Shawver, Erik Weigand, John Withers, Shana Charles (Alternate), Lamiya Hoque (Alternate), Kelly McBride (Alternate) and Ward Smith (Alternate)

NOES: None

ABSENT: Johnathan Ryan Hernandez and Tom Lindsey

ABSTENTIONS: None

**6. ON-CALL EMERGENCY MECHANICAL SERVICES, SPECIFICATION [2026-4784](#)
NO. S-2025-698BD**

Originator: Riaz Moinuddin

MOVED, SECONDED, AND DULY CARRIED TO:

- A. Approve General Services Contracts to provide On-Call Emergency Mechanical Services, Specification No. S-2025-698BD to the following two Contractors:
1. Jamison Engineering Contractors, Inc. for a total amount not to exceed \$1,056,605 for a one-year period with four (4) optional one-year renewals; and
 2. Murray Plumbing and Heating Corporation dba Murray Company for a total amount not to exceed \$963,991 for a one-year period with four (4) optional one-year renewals; and

B. Approve an annual contingency of 10% for each vendor.

AYES: Debbie Baker, Ted Bui, Pat Burns, Doug Chaffee, Jon Dumitru, Ryan Gallagher, Stephanie Klopfenstein, Lisa Landau, Carlos Leon, Melinda Liu, Christine Marick, Jose Medrano, Jordan Nefulda, Andrew Nguyen, Robert Ooten, Bonnie Peat, David Shawver, Erik Weigand, John Withers, Shana Charles (Alternate), Lamiya Hoque (Alternate), Kelly McBride (Alternate) and Ward Smith (Alternate)

NOES: None

ABSENT: Johnathan Ryan Hernandez and Tom Lindsey

ABSTENTIONS: None

7. **ACTIVATED SLUDGE CLARIFIERS 11 AND 13 REHABILITATION AT PLANT NO. 1 (MP1-017), SPECIFICATION NO. S-2025-692BD** [2026-4785](#)

Originator: Riaz Moinuddin

MOVED, SECONDED, AND DULY CARRIED TO:

A. Approve a Services Contract with Vicon Enterprise, Inc. for Activated Sludge Clarifiers 11 and 13 Rehabilitation at Plant No. 1(MP1-017), Specification No. S-2025-692BD, for a total amount not to exceed \$1,950,500; and

B. Approve a contingency of \$195,050 (10%).

AYES: Debbie Baker, Ted Bui, Pat Burns, Doug Chaffee, Jon Dumitru, Ryan Gallagher, Stephanie Klopfenstein, Lisa Landau, Carlos Leon, Melinda Liu, Christine Marick, Jose Medrano, Jordan Nefulda, Andrew Nguyen, Robert Ooten, Bonnie Peat, David Shawver, Erik Weigand, John Withers, Shana Charles (Alternate), Lamiya Hoque (Alternate), Kelly McBride (Alternate) and Ward Smith (Alternate)

NOES: None

ABSENT: Johnathan Ryan Hernandez and Tom Lindsey

ABSTENTIONS: None

8. **NORTH TUSTIN-ORANGE SEWER REHABILITATION, PROJECT NO. 7-69** [2026-4786](#)

Originator: Mike Dorman

MOVED, SECONDED, AND DULY CARRIED TO:

A. Approve a Professional Design Services Agreement with Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., to provide engineering services for North Tustin-Orange Sewer Rehabilitation, Project No. 7-69, for an amount not to exceed \$5,086,373; and

B. Approve a contingency of \$508,637 (10%).

AYES: Debbie Baker, Ted Bui, Pat Burns, Doug Chaffee, Jon Dumitru, Ryan Gallagher, Stephanie Klopfenstein, Lisa Landau, Carlos Leon, Melinda Liu, Christine Marick, Jose Medrano, Jordan Nefulda, Andrew Nguyen, Robert Ooten, Bonnie Peat, David Shawver, Erik Weigand, John Withers, Shana Charles (Alternate), Lamiya Hoque (Alternate), Kelly McBride (Alternate) and Ward Smith (Alternate)

NOES: None

ABSENT: Johnathan Ryan Hernandez and Tom Lindsey

ABSTENTIONS: None

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE:**9. UPDATE TO RECORDS MANAGEMENT PROGRAM PROCEDURES AND RECORDS RETENTION SCHEDULE RESOLUTION [2026-4792](#)**

Originator: Jennifer Cabral

MOVED, SECONDED, AND DULY CARRIED TO:

Adopt Resolution No. OC SAN 26-03 entitled: "A Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Orange County Sanitation District Adopting the Records Management Program Procedures and Records Retention Schedule, Authorizing Destruction of Obsolete Records, and Repealing Resolution No. OC SAN 24-15".

AYES: Debbie Baker, Pat Burns, Doug Chaffee, Jon Dumitru, Ryan Gallagher, Stephanie Klopfenstein, Lisa Landau, Carlos Leon, Melinda Liu, Christine Marick, Jose Medrano, Jordan Nefulda, Andrew Nguyen, Robert Ooten, Bonnie Peat, David Shawver, Erik Weigand, John Withers, Shana Charles (Alternate), Lamiya Hoque (Alternate), Kelly McBride (Alternate) and Ward Smith (Alternate)

NOES: None

ABSENT: Johnathan Ryan Hernandez and Tom Lindsey

ABSTENTIONS: Ted Bui

10. 2026 CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE [2026-4793](#)

Originator: Kelly Lore

MOVED, SECONDED, AND DULY CARRIED TO:

Adopt Resolution No. OC SAN 26-04 entitled: "A Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Orange County Sanitation District adopting a Conflict of Interest Code which supersedes all prior Conflict of Interest Codes and amendments previously adopted".

AYES: Debbie Baker, Pat Burns, Doug Chaffee, Jon Dumitru, Ryan Gallagher, Stephanie Klopfenstein, Lisa Landau, Carlos Leon, Melinda Liu, Christine Marick, Jose Medrano, Jordan Nefulda, Andrew Nguyen, Robert Ooten, Bonnie Peat, David Shawver, Erik Weigand, John Withers, Shana Charles (Alternate), Lamiya Hoque (Alternate), Kelly McBride (Alternate) and Ward Smith (Alternate)

NOES: None

ABSENT: Johnathan Ryan Hernandez and Tom Lindsey

ABSTENTIONS: Ted Bui

11. MID-YEAR TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2025 [2026-4794](#)

Originator: Wally Ritchie

MOVED, SECONDED, AND DULY CARRIED TO:

Receive and file the Orange County Sanitation District Mid-Year Treasurer's Report for the period ended December 31, 2025.

AYES: Debbie Baker, Pat Burns, Doug Chaffee, Jon Dumitru, Ryan Gallagher, Stephanie Klopfenstein, Lisa Landau, Carlos Leon, Melinda Liu, Christine Marick, Jose Medrano, Jordan Nefulda, Andrew Nguyen, Robert Ooten, Bonnie Peat, David Shawver, Erik Weigand, John Withers, Shana Charles (Alternate), Lamiya Hoque (Alternate), Kelly McBride (Alternate) and Ward Smith (Alternate)

NOES: None

ABSENT: Johnathan Ryan Hernandez and Tom Lindsey

ABSTENTIONS: Ted Bui

12. PUBLIC AFFAIRS UPDATE FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY 2026 [2026-4795](#)

Originator: Jennifer Cabral

MOVED, SECONDED, AND DULY CARRIED TO:

Receive and file the Public Affairs Update for the month of January 2026.

AYES: Debbie Baker, Pat Burns, Doug Chaffee, Jon Dumitru, Ryan Gallagher, Stephanie Klopfenstein, Lisa Landau, Carlos Leon, Melinda Liu, Christine Marick, Jose Medrano, Jordan Nefulda, Andrew Nguyen, Robert Ooten, Bonnie Peat, David Shawver, Erik Weigand, John Withers, Shana Charles (Alternate), Lamiya Hoque (Alternate), Kelly McBride (Alternate) and Ward Smith (Alternate)

NOES: None

ABSENT: Johnathan Ryan Hernandez and Tom Lindsey

ABSTENTIONS: Ted Bui

13. GENERAL MANAGER APPROVED PURCHASES AND ADDITIONS TO THE PRE-APPROVED OEM SOLE SOURCE LIST [2026-4796](#)

Originator: Wally Ritchie

MOVED, SECONDED, AND DULY CARRIED TO:

- A. Receive and file Orange County Sanitation District purchases made under the General Manager's authority for the period of October 1, 2025, to December 31, 2025; and
- B. Approve the following additions to the pre-approved Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEM) Sole Source List:
- B&K Valves & Equipment - Val-Matic Series Surgebuster Check Valve
 - Auvesy-MDT - Software Support Subscription License Renewal
 - Val-Matic Valve and Manufacturing Corp. - Val-Matic Products
 - MDT Inc - Auvesy-MDT Software Support Subscription License Renewal

AYES: Debbie Baker, Pat Burns, Doug Chaffee, Jon Dumitru, Ryan Gallagher, Stephanie Klopfenstein, Lisa Landau, Carlos Leon, Melinda Liu, Christine Marick, Jose Medrano, Jordan Nefulda, Andrew Nguyen, Robert Ooten, Bonnie Peat, David Shawver, Erik Weigand, John Withers, Shana Charles (Alternate), Lamiya Hoque (Alternate), Kelly McBride (Alternate) and Ward Smith (Alternate)

NOES: None

ABSENT: Johnathan Ryan Hernandez and Tom Lindsey

ABSTENTIONS: Ted Bui

14. LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS UPDATE FOR THE MONTHS OF DECEMBER 2025 AND JANUARY 2026 [2026-4797](#)

Originator: Jennifer Cabral

MOVED, SECONDED, AND DULY CARRIED TO:

Receive and file the Legislative Affairs Update for the months of December 2025 and January 2026.

AYES: Debbie Baker, Pat Burns, Doug Chaffee, Jon Dumitru, Ryan Gallagher, Stephanie Klopfenstein, Lisa Landau, Carlos Leon, Melinda Liu, Christine Marick, Jose Medrano, Jordan Nefulda, Andrew Nguyen, Robert Ooten, Bonnie Peat, David Shawver, Erik Weigand, John Withers, Shana Charles (Alternate), Lamiya Hoque (Alternate), Kelly McBride (Alternate) and Ward Smith (Alternate)

NOES: None

ABSENT: Johnathan Ryan Hernandez and Tom Lindsey

ABSTENTIONS: Ted Bui

15. ENCROACHMENT AGREEMENT AT 1820 E. 1ST STREET, SANTA ANA, CA 92705 [2026-4798](#)

Originator: Lorenzo Tyner

MOVED, SECONDED, AND DULY CARRIED TO:

- A. Approve and authorize the General Manager to execute an Encroachment Agreement with 1820 East 1st Street LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, for the installation of a walkway, fencing, and landscaping at 1820 E. 1st Street, Santa Ana, CA 92705, in a form approved by General Counsel; and
- B. That the Clerk of the Board is hereby authorized and directed to record said Agreement in the official records of the Orange County Clerk-Recorder’s Office.

AYES: Debbie Baker, Pat Burns, Doug Chaffee, Jon Dumitru, Ryan Gallagher, Stephanie Klopfenstein, Lisa Landau, Carlos Leon, Melinda Liu, Christine Marick, Jose Medrano, Jordan Nefulda, Andrew Nguyen, Robert Ooten, Bonnie Peat, David Shawver, Erik Weigand, John Withers, Shana Charles (Alternate), Lamiya Hoque (Alternate), Kelly McBride (Alternate) and Ward Smith (Alternate)

NOES: None

ABSENT: Johnathan Ryan Hernandez and Tom Lindsey

ABSTENTIONS: Ted Bui

**16. MID-YEAR FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDED [2026-4799](#)
DECEMBER 31, 2025**

Originator: Wally Ritchie

MOVED, SECONDED, AND DULY CARRIED TO:

Receive and file the Orange County Sanitation District Mid-Year Financial Report for the period ended December 31, 2025.

AYES: Debbie Baker, Pat Burns, Doug Chaffee, Jon Dumitru, Ryan Gallagher, Stephanie Klopfenstein, Lisa Landau, Carlos Leon, Melinda Liu, Christine Marick, Jose Medrano, Jordan Nefulda, Andrew Nguyen, Robert Ooten, Bonnie Peat, David Shawver, Erik Weigand, John Withers, Shana Charles (Alternate), Lamiya Hoque (Alternate), Kelly McBride (Alternate) and Ward Smith (Alternate)

NOES: None

ABSENT: Johnathan Ryan Hernandez and Tom Lindsey

ABSTENTIONS: Ted Bui

STEERING COMMITTEE:

None.

NON-CONSENT:

None.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

None.

AB 1234 DISCLOSURE REPORTS:

Directors Pat Burns, Andrew Nguyen, Bob Ooten, and Dave Shawver provided a report on their recent attendance at various Regional Board Meetings.

CLOSED SESSION:**CONVENED IN CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(d)(1).**

The Board convened in closed session at 6:13 p.m. Item CS-1 (B) was not heard. Confidential minutes of the Closed Sessions have been prepared in accordance with the above Government Code Sections and are maintained by the Clerk of the Board in the Official Book of Confidential Minutes of Board and Committee Closed Session meetings.

**CS-1 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL RE EXISTING LITIGATION - [2026-4805](#)
GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(d)(1)**

CONVENED IN CLOSED SESSION:

Number of Cases: 2

A. Emmanuel Rios v. Orange County Sanitation District, Workers' Compensation Claim, Workers' Compensation Appeals Board, Case No. ADJ20936106; and.

~~B. Michael Oberly v. Orange County Sanitation District and Does 1-25, Orange County Superior Court Case No. 30-2025-01489491-CU-OE-CJC.~~

**CS-2 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL RE EXISTING LITIGATION - [2026-4806](#)
GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(d)(1)**

CONVENED IN CLOSED SESSION:

Number of Cases: 1

BKK Working Group, et al. v. Albertsons Companies, Inc., et al., United States District Court Central District of California, Court Case No. 2:18-CV-05836-MWF(PLAx).

RECONVENED IN REGULAR SESSION.

The Board reconvened in Open session at 6:37 p.m.

CONSIDERATION OF ACTION, IF ANY, ON MATTERS CONSIDERED IN CLOSED SESSION:

General Counsel Scott Smith stated there was no reportable action.

OTHER BUSINESS AND COMMUNICATIONS OR SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA ITEMS, IF ANY:

None.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS INITIATED ITEMS FOR A FUTURE MEETING:

Clerk of the Board Kelly Lore stated that Director Tom Lindsey had requested that the Board receive an update on the progress of the current effort to identify all OC San Easements; and review the current policy for easement encroachments.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 6:39 p.m., Chair Gallagher adjourned the meeting until the next Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors to be held on Wednesday, March 25, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

Submitted by:



Kelly A. Lore, MMC
Clerk of the Board