

# **ORANGE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT**

## **MINUTES**

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**DECEMBER 17, 2025**



**Board Room  
18480 Bandelier 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, December 17, 2025 at 6:01 p.m. in the Orange County Sanitation District Headquarters. Director Chad Wanke delivered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**A-1 APPOINTMENTS TO THE ORANGE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS** [2025-4639](#)

**Originator:** Kelly Lore

Clerk of the Board Kelly Lore stated that after the publication of the agenda she received communication from various agencies regarding their appointments to the OC San Board of Directors. The late communication was provided to the Directors and made available to the public.

**WITHOUT OBJECTION ACTION TAKEN TO:**

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

<b>Agency</b>	<b>Director</b>	<b>Alternate Director</b>
City of La Palma	Debbie Baker	Vikesh Patel
Midway City Sanitary District	Andrew Nguyen	Tyler Diep
City of Anaheim	Carlos A. Leon	Ryan Balias
City of Fountain Valley	Ted Bui	Glenn Grandis
City of Huntington Beach	Pat Burns Jose	Gracey Van Der Mark
City of La Habra	Medrano	Rose Espinoza
City of Los Alamitos City of Tustin	Jordan Nefulda Ryan Gallagher	Tanya Doby John Nielsen

**ROLL CALL AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM**

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

**PRESENT:** Debbie Baker, Ted Bui, Doug Chaffee, Jon Dumitru, Ryan Gallagher, Stephanie Klopfenstein, Lisa Landau, Carlos Leon, Tom Lindsey, Melinda Liu, Christine Marick, Jose Medrano, Andrew Nguyen, Robert Ooten, Jamie Valencia, David Shawver, Chad Wanke, John Withers, Tanya Doby (Alternate), Lamiya Hoque (Alternate), Kelly McBride (Alternate), Bonnie Peat (Alternate) and Gracey Van Der Mark (Alternate)

**ABSENT:** Johnathan Ryan Hernandez and Erik Weigand

**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; Wally Ritchie, Director of Finance; Lan Wiborg, Director of Environmental Services; Kelly Lore, Clerk of the Board; Mo Abiodun; Morty 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; Valerie Ratto; Sammady Yi; Thomas Vu; Kevin Work; and Ruth Zintzun were present in the Board Room.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Scott Smith, General Counsel; Danielle Dychter, Special Counsel; and Daniel Gary, Cascade Energy were present in the Board Room.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

None.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:**

**1. EMPLOYEE SERVICE AWARDS**

[2025-4623](#)

**Originator:** Kelly Lore

Chair Gallagher recognized Principal Environmental Specialist Brian Reed for 30-years of service; and Principal Info Tech Analyst Raj Bellan for 20-years of service at OC San.

**30-year Service Award**

Brian K. Reed, Principal Environmental Specialist - Division 820

**20-year Service Awards**

Rajkumar "Raj" Bellan, Principal IT Analyst - Division 250

**REPORTS:**

Chair Gallagher announced that he would consider Committees and other Regional Board assignment requests in the near future. He stated the Clerk of the Board would send information on the appointment process and those with interest in an appointment should contact the Clerk of the Board.

Chair Gallagher stated that OC San Administrative Offices would be closed on December 24 & 25 in observance of Christmas; and January 1, 2026, in observance of New Year's Day. He also reported that the Operations and Administration Committee meetings would be dark in January and resume in February 2026. The regularly scheduled Steering Committee Meeting and Board Meeting would be held as scheduled on January 28, 2026.

Chair Gallagher stated that the Directors and Alternate Directors would receive talking points highlighting OC San activities to support outreach efforts for reporting back to councils, boards, and community groups.

General Manager Thompson reported that the Strategic Plan was final and on the agenda for adoption. This plan will be used over the next two years, beginning with the upcoming budget process in January.

Mr. Thompson reported on his recent participation at the SCCWRP Quarterly Meeting; meeting with City of Fountain Valley staff to discuss deep well injection; OC San employee all hands meeting which provided an update on the year's accomplishments and what is to come for 2026.

Mr. Thompson announced recent awards received by OC San which included the National Association of Clean Water Agencies - National Environmental Achievement Awards (1) Wastewater 101 Citizens Academy won in the Public Information and Education category and (2) OC San Headquarters won in the Community Leadership category; Metropolis Magazine Planet Positive Award - Civic Winner for the Headquarters project; FRAME Awards - Gold in Governmental Interior Category for the Headquarters project; and the World Architecture Festival 2025 - Highly commended recognition in the Production, Energy and Logistics category for Headquarters.

Mr. Thompson reported on the recent holiday lunch that was held to celebrate the season and thank staff for their hard work. He also reported that OC San once again participated in the Spark of Love toy drive with the Fountain Valley Fire Department and collected over 185 toys for local children; and \$1500 that was collected last month for the Second Harvest Food Bank.

**CONSENT CALENDAR:**

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

[2025-4622](#)

**Originator:** Kelly Lore

MOVED, SECONDED, AND DULY CARRIED TO:

Approve minutes of the Regular meeting of the Board of Directors held November 19, 2025.

**AYES:** Debbie Baker, Doug Chaffee, Jon Dumitru, Ryan Gallagher, Stephanie Klopfenstein, Lisa Landau, Carlos Leon, Tom Lindsey, Melinda Liu, Christine Marick, Jose Medrano, Andrew Nguyen, Robert Ooten, Jamie Valencia, David Shawver, Chad Wanke, John Withers, Tanya Doby (Alternate), Lamiya Hoque (Alternate), Kelly McBride (Alternate), Bonnie Peat (Alternate) and Gracey Van Der Mark (Alternate)

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Johnathan Ryan Hernandez and Erik Weigand

**ABSTENTIONS:** Ted Bui

**3. ORANGE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT 2025 STRATEGIC PLAN**

[2025-4631](#)

**Originator:** Rob Thompson

MOVED, SECONDED, AND DULY CARRIED TO:

Adopt the Orange County Sanitation District 2025 Strategic Plan.

**AYES:** Debbie Baker, Doug Chaffee, Jon Dumitru, Ryan Gallagher, Stephanie Klopfenstein, Lisa Landau, Carlos Leon, Tom Lindsey, Melinda Liu, Christine Marick, Jose Medrano, Andrew Nguyen, Robert Ooten, Jamie Valencia, David Shawver, Chad Wanke, John Withers, Tanya Doby (Alternate), Lamiya Hoque (Alternate), Kelly McBride (Alternate), Bonnie Peat (Alternate) and Gracey Van Der Mark (Alternate)

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Johnathan Ryan Hernandez and Erik Weigand

**ABSTENTIONS:** Ted Bui

**RECEIVE AND FILE:**

**4. COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

[2025-4041](#)

**Originator:** Kelly Lore

WITHOUT OBJECTION ACTION TAKEN TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE FOLLOWING:

- A. Minutes of the Steering Committee Meeting held October 22, 2025
- B. Minutes of the Operations Committee Meeting held November 5, 2025
- C. Minutes of the Administration Committee Meeting held November 12, 2025

**5. REPORT OF THE INVESTMENT TRANSACTIONS FOR THE MONTH  
OF NOVEMBER 2025**

[2025-4059](#)

**Originator:** Wally Ritchie

WITHOUT OBJECTION ACTION TAKEN TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE FOLLOWING:

Report of the Investment Transactions for the month of November 2025.

*Director John Withers departed the meeting at 6:11 p.m.*

**OPERATIONS COMMITTEE:**

**6. ENGINEERING PROGRAM CONTRACT PERFORMANCE REPORTS**

[2025-4640](#)

**Originator:** Mike Dorman

MOVED, SECONDED, AND DULY CARRIED TO:

Receive and file the Engineering Program Contract Performance Report for the period ending September 30, 2025.

**AYES:** Debbie Baker, Ted Bui, Doug Chaffee, Jon Dumitru, Ryan Gallagher, Stephanie Klopfenstein, Lisa Landau, Carlos Leon, Tom Lindsey, Melinda Liu, Christine Marick, Jose Medrano, Andrew Nguyen, Robert Ooten, Jamie Valencia, David Shawver, Chad Wanke, Tanya Doby (Alternate), Lamiya Hoque (Alternate), Kelly McBride (Alternate), Bonnie Peat (Alternate) and Gracey Van Der Mark (Alternate)

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Johnathan Ryan Hernandez, Erik Weigand and John Withers

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**7. ORANGE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT 2025 ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN**

[2025-4641](#)

**Originator:** Mike Dorman

MOVED, SECONDED, AND DULY CARRIED TO:

Adopt the Orange County Sanitation District 2025 Asset Management Plan.

**AYES:** Debbie Baker, Ted Bui, Doug Chaffee, Jon Dumitru, Ryan Gallagher, Stephanie Klopfenstein, Lisa Landau, Carlos Leon, Tom Lindsey, Melinda Liu, Christine Marick, Jose Medrano, Andrew Nguyen, Robert Ooten, Jamie Valencia, David Shawver, Chad Wanke, Tanya Doby (Alternate), Lamiya Hoque (Alternate), Kelly McBride (Alternate), Bonnie Peat (Alternate) and Gracey Van Der Mark (Alternate)

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Johnathan Ryan Hernandez, Erik Weigand and John Withers

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**8. SONAR INSPECTIONS & PIPELINE CLEANINGS OF INVERTED SIPHONS AND LARGE DIAMETER PIPELINES, SPECIFICATION NO. S-2025-695BD**

[2025-4642](#)

**Originator:** Riaz Moinuddin

MOVED, SECONDED, AND DULY CARRIED TO:

A. Approve a General Services Contract to Performance Pipeline Technologies, Inc. (PPT) dba Sanitation Systems for Sonar Inspections & Pipeline Cleanings of Inverted Siphons and Large Diameter Pipelines, Specification No. S-2025-695BD, for a total amount not to exceed \$1,750,000 for the period of January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026; with four (4) optional one-year renewal options; and

B. Approve an annual contingency of \$175,000 (10%).

**AYES:** Debbie Baker, Ted Bui, Doug Chaffee, Jon Dumitru, Ryan Gallagher, Stephanie Klopfenstein, Lisa Landau, Carlos Leon, Tom Lindsey, Melinda Liu, Christine Marick, Jose Medrano, Andrew Nguyen, Robert Ooten, Jamie Valencia, David Shawver, Chad Wanke, Tanya Doby (Alternate), Lamiya Hoque (Alternate), Kelly McBride (Alternate), Bonnie Peat (Alternate) and Gracey Van Der Mark (Alternate)

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Johnathan Ryan Hernandez, Erik Weigand and John Withers

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**9. SUPPLEMENTAL ENGINEERING SERVICES, CONTRACT NO. 2025-4643  
PSA2021-002**

**Originator:** Mike Dorman

MOVED, SECONDED, AND DULY CARRIED TO:

Authorize the General Manager to transfer funds between existing Professional Services Agreements to provide Supplemental Engineering Services, Contract No. PSA2021-002, with Jacobs Project Management Co. and AECOM Technical Services, Inc., to balance contract budgets through April 2027, with no increase to the total Board authorized not to exceed amount of \$29,700,000 per agreement.

**AYES:** Debbie Baker, Ted Bui, Doug Chaffee, Jon Dumitru, Ryan Gallagher, Stephanie Klopfenstein, Lisa Landau, Carlos Leon, Tom Lindsey, Melinda Liu, Christine Marick, Jose Medrano, Andrew Nguyen, Robert Ooten, Jamie Valencia, David Shawver, Chad Wanke, Tanya Doby (Alternate), Lamiya Hoque (Alternate), Kelly McBride (Alternate), Bonnie Peat (Alternate) and Gracey Van Der Mark (Alternate)

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Johnathan Ryan Hernandez, Erik Weigand and John Withers

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**10. SANTA ANA TRUNK SEWER REHABILITATION, PROJECT NO. 1-23 2025-4644**

**Originator:** Mike Dorman

MOVED, SECONDED, AND DULY CARRIED TO:

Approve an Agreement for Purchase and Sale and Joint Escrow Instructions with C.J. Segerstrom & Sons ("Segerstrom") that defines the terms and conditions for temporary construction easements in the amount of \$509,300 for Santa Ana Trunk Sewer Rehabilitation, Project No. 1-23, and disbursement of severance damages from an escrow holding account with an upper limit amount of \$1,009,270 for potential adverse impacts during construction.

**AYES:** Debbie Baker, Ted Bui, Doug Chaffee, Jon Dumitru, Ryan Gallagher, Stephanie Klopfenstein, Lisa Landau, Carlos Leon, Tom Lindsey, Melinda Liu, Christine Marick, Jose Medrano, Andrew Nguyen, Robert Ooten, Jamie Valencia, David Shawver, Chad Wanke, Tanya Doby (Alternate), Lamiya Hoque (Alternate), Kelly McBride (Alternate), Bonnie Peat (Alternate) and Gracey Van Der Mark (Alternate)

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Johnathan Ryan Hernandez, Erik Weigand and John Withers

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**11. A-SIDE PRIMARY CLARIFIERS REPLACEMENT AT PLANT NO. 2, [2025-4645](#)**

**Originator:** Mike Dorman

MOVED, SECONDED, AND DULY CARRIED TO:

Approve a contingency increase of \$4,456,235 (4%) to the existing Construction Contract with PCL Construction, Inc., for A-Side Primary Clarifiers Replacement at Plant No. 2, Contract No. P2-98A as part of Primary Treatment Rehabilitation at Plant No. 2, Project No. P2-98, for a new total contingency amount of \$11,140,588 (10%).

**AYES:** Debbie Baker, Ted Bui, Doug Chaffee, Jon Dumitru, Ryan Gallagher, Stephanie Klopfenstein, Lisa Landau, Carlos Leon, Tom Lindsey, Melinda Liu, Christine Marick, Jose Medrano, Andrew Nguyen, Robert Ooten, Jamie Valencia, David Shawver, Chad Wanke, Tanya Doby (Alternate), Lamiya Hoque (Alternate), Kelly McBride (Alternate), Bonnie Peat (Alternate) and Gracey Van Der Mark (Alternate)

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Johnathan Ryan Hernandez, Erik Weigand and John Withers

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE:**

**12. PAYMENT OF ANNUAL NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT FEES**

[2025-4647](#)

**Originator:** Lan Wiborg

MOVED, SECONDED, AND DULY CARRIED TO:

Approve payment to the State Water Resources Control Board in an amount not to exceed \$950,000 for the annual National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ocean discharge permit fees for Fiscal Year 2025-2026.

**AYES:** Debbie Baker, Doug Chaffee, Jon Dumitru, Ryan Gallagher, Stephanie Klopfenstein, Lisa Landau, Carlos Leon, Tom Lindsey, Melinda Liu, Christine Marick, Jose Medrano, Andrew Nguyen, Robert Ooten, Jamie Valencia, David Shawver, Chad Wanke, Tanya Doby (Alternate), Lamiya Hoque (Alternate), Kelly McBride (Alternate), Bonnie Peat (Alternate) and Gracey Van Der Mark (Alternate)

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Johnathan Ryan Hernandez, Erik Weigand and John Withers

**ABSTENTIONS:** Ted Bui

**13. COOPERATIVE PROCUREMENT AGREEMENT**

[2025-4648](#)

**Originator:** Wally Ritchie

MOVED, SECONDED, AND DULY CARRIED TO:

Approve a Blanket Purchase Order with Insight Public Sector Inc. for the purchase of technology products, equipment, services and solutions using the cooperative OMNIA Contract No. 23-6692-03 for a total amount not to exceed \$1,200,000; for the term January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026, in accordance with Ordinance No. OC SAN-61, Section 2.03(B) Cooperative Purchases; with two (2) optional one-year renewal options.

**AYES:** Debbie Baker, Doug Chaffee, Jon Dumitru, Ryan Gallagher, Stephanie Klopfenstein, Lisa Landau, Carlos Leon, Tom Lindsey, Melinda Liu, Christine Marick, Jose Medrano, Andrew Nguyen, Robert Ooten, Jamie Valencia, David Shawver, Chad Wanke, Tanya Doby (Alternate), Lamiya Hoque (Alternate), Kelly McBride (Alternate), Bonnie Peat (Alternate) and Gracey Van Der Mark (Alternate)

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Johnathan Ryan Hernandez, Erik Weigand and John Withers

**ABSTENTIONS:** Ted Bui

**14. ORANGE COUNTY EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM  
PREPAYMENT**

[2025-4649](#)

**Originator:** Wally Ritchie

MOVED, SECONDED, AND DULY CARRIED TO:

Approve prepayments of Orange County Employees Retirement System contributions in the amount of \$10.3 million, using funds from OC San's 115 Trust.

**AYES:** Debbie Baker, Doug Chaffee, Jon Dumitru, Ryan Gallagher, Stephanie Klopfenstein, Lisa Landau, Carlos Leon, Tom Lindsey, Melinda Liu, Christine Marick, Jose Medrano, Andrew Nguyen, Robert Ooten, Jamie Valencia, David Shawver, Chad Wanke, Tanya Doby (Alternate), Lamiya Hoque (Alternate), Kelly McBride (Alternate), Bonnie Peat (Alternate) and Gracey Van Der Mark (Alternate)

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Johnathan Ryan Hernandez, Erik Weigand and John Withers

**ABSTENTIONS:** Ted Bui

**15. LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS UPDATE FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER [2025-4650](#)**

**Originator:** Jennifer Cabral

MOVED, SECONDED, AND DULY CARRIED TO:

Receive and file the Legislative Affairs Update for the month of November 2025.

**AYES:** Debbie Baker, Doug Chaffee, Jon Dumitru, Ryan Gallagher, Stephanie Klopfenstein, Lisa Landau, Carlos Leon, Tom Lindsey, Melinda Liu, Christine Marick, Jose Medrano, Andrew Nguyen, Robert Ooten, Jamie Valencia, David Shawver, Chad Wanke, Tanya Doby (Alternate), Lamiya Hoque (Alternate), Kelly McBride (Alternate), Bonnie Peat (Alternate) and Gracey Van Der Mark (Alternate)

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Johnathan Ryan Hernandez, Erik Weigand and John Withers

**ABSTENTIONS:** Ted Bui

**16. PUBLIC AFFAIRS STRATEGIC PLAN FOR FISCAL YEARS 2024-2026 [2025-4651](#)**

**MID-YEAR UPDATE**

**Originator:** Jennifer Cabral

MOVED, SECONDED, AND DULY CARRIED TO:

Receive and file the Public Affairs Strategic Plan for Fiscal Years 2024- 2026 Mid-Year Update.

**AYES:** Debbie Baker, Doug Chaffee, Jon Dumitru, Ryan Gallagher, Stephanie Klopfenstein, Lisa Landau, Carlos Leon, Tom Lindsey, Melinda Liu, Christine Marick, Jose Medrano, Andrew Nguyen, Robert Ooten, Jamie Valencia, David Shawver, Chad Wanke, Tanya Doby (Alternate), Lamiya Hoque (Alternate), Kelly McBride (Alternate), Bonnie Peat (Alternate) and Gracey Van Der Mark (Alternate)

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Johnathan Ryan Hernandez, Erik Weigand and John Withers

**ABSTENTIONS:** Ted Bui

**17. ADDITIONAL POSITION REQUESTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-26**

[2025-4652](#)

**Originator:** Laura Maravilla

MOVED, SECONDED, AND DULY CARRIED TO:

Approve the addition of five (5) new positions and the upgrade of one (1) position for FY 2025-2026 as follows:

- A. Add two (2) Engineering Supervisors (Salary Grade SUP92);
- B. Add one (1) Senior Engineer (Salary Grade PRO88);
- C. Add one (1) Engineer (Salary Grade PRO84);
- D. Add one (1) Senior Planner/Scheduler (Salary Grade PRO84); and
- E. Upgrade one (1) Contract/Purchasing Technician (Salary Grade OCE67) to Buyer (Salary Grade PRO70).

**AYES:** Debbie Baker, Doug Chaffee, Jon Dumitru, Ryan Gallagher, Stephanie Klopfenstein, Lisa Landau, Carlos Leon, Tom Lindsey, Melinda Liu, Christine Marick, Jose Medrano, Andrew Nguyen, Robert Ooten, Jamie Valencia, David Shawver, Chad Wanke, Tanya Doby (Alternate), Lamiya Hoque (Alternate), Kelly McBride (Alternate), Bonnie Peat (Alternate) and Gracey Van Der Mark (Alternate)

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Johnathan Ryan Hernandez, Erik Weigand and John Withers

**ABSTENTIONS:** Ted Bui

**18. PAYMENT AGREEMENT FOR CHARGES AND FEES OWED BY COLOR FASHION DYE AND FINISHING, LLC INDUSTRIAL WASTEWATER DISCHARGE PERMITTEE**

[2025-4653](#)

**Originator:** Wally Ritchie

MOVED, SECONDED, AND DULY CARRIED TO:

Approve the Payment Agreement for charges owed for user fees with Color Fashion Dye & Finishing, an Industrial Wastewater Discharge Permittee, in the amount of \$114,848.28, pending receipt of acceptable payment security.

**AYES:** Debbie Baker, Doug Chaffee, Jon Dumitru, Ryan Gallagher, Stephanie Klopfenstein, Lisa Landau, Carlos Leon, Tom Lindsey, Melinda Liu, Christine Marick, Jose Medrano, Andrew Nguyen, Robert Ooten, Jamie Valencia, David Shawver, Chad Wanke, Tanya Doby (Alternate), Lamiya Hoque (Alternate), Kelly McBride (Alternate), Bonnie Peat (Alternate) and Gracey Van Der Mark (Alternate)

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Johnathan Ryan Hernandez, Erik Weigand and John Withers

**ABSTENTIONS:** Ted Bui

**19. INVEST AND/OR REINVEST ORANGE COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT'S FUNDS AND ADOPT INVESTMENT POLICY STATEMENT**

[2025-4654](#)

**Originator:** Wally Ritchie

MOVED, SECONDED, AND DULY CARRIED TO:

Adopt Resolution No. OC SAN 25-20 entitled: "A Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Orange County Sanitation District, Authorizing the Orange County Sanitation District's Treasurer to Invest and/or Reinvest the Orange County Sanitation District's Funds, Adopting the Orange County Sanitation District's Investment Policy Statement and Performance Benchmarks, and Repealing Resolution No. OC SAN 24-14".

**AYES:** Debbie Baker, Doug Chaffee, Jon Dumitru, Ryan Gallagher, Stephanie Klopfenstein, Lisa Landau, Carlos Leon, Tom Lindsey, Melinda Liu, Christine Marick, Jose Medrano, Andrew Nguyen, Robert Ooten, Jamie Valencia, David Shawver, Chad Wanke, Tanya Doby (Alternate), Lamiya Hoque (Alternate), Kelly McBride (Alternate), Bonnie Peat (Alternate) and Gracey Van Der Mark (Alternate)

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Johnathan Ryan Hernandez, Erik Weigand and John Withers

**ABSTENTIONS:** Ted Bui

**STEERING COMMITTEE:**

None.

**NON-CONSENT:**

None.

**INFORMATION ITEMS:**

None.

**AB 1234 DISCLOSURE REPORTS:**

Directors Andrew Nguyen, Bob Ooten, and Dave Shawver did not attend regional meetings due to the holidays. Director Chad Wanke reported on this attendance at the ACWA Conference.

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

The Board convened in closed session at 6:14 p.m. 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 - [2025-4646](#)  
GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(d)(1)**

Number of Cases: 1

James McDonald v. Orange County Sanitation District, Workers' Compensation Claim, Workers Compensation Appeals Board, Case No. ADJ20980833.

CONVENED IN CLOSED SESSION:

**RECONVENED IN REGULAR SESSION.**

The Board reconvened in Closed Session at 6:29 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:**

Board Vice Chair Dumitru expressed gratitude and thanks to the Board, staff and ratepayers and wished everyone Happy Holidays. Director Shawver also announced that through his food and toy drives, families in need during the holidays should reach out to him for assistance.

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS INITIATED ITEMS FOR A FUTURE MEETING:**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

At 6:32 p.m., Chair Gallagher adjourned the meeting until the next Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors to be held on Wednesday, January 28, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

Submitted by:



Kelly A. Lore, MMC  
Clerk of the Board