

MINUTES OF THE LEGISLATIVE AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Orange County Sanitation District
Monday, July 8, 2019 at 3:30 p.m.

A meeting of the Legislative and Public Affairs Committee was called to order by Committee Chair Peter Kim on Monday, July 8, 2019 at 3:31 p.m. in the Administration Building of the Orange County Sanitation District. Chair Kim led the pledge of allegiance. A quorum was declared present, as follows:

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Peter Kim, Chair
Allan Bernstein, Vice-Chair
Lucille Kring, Member-At-Large
Erik Peterson, Member-At-Large
Christina Shea, Member-At-Large
David Shawver, Board Chair
John Withers, Board Vice-Chair

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT:

Jim Herberg, General Manager
Robert Thompson, Assistant General Manager
Lorenzo Tyner, Assistant General Manager
Celia Chandler, Director of Human Resources
Kathy Millea, Director of Engineering
Lan Wiborg, Director of Environmental Services
Kelly Lore, Clerk of the Board
Tanya Chong
Daisy Covarrubias
Lisa Frigo
Rebecca Long
Joshua Martinez
Kelly Newell

OTHERS PRESENT:

Brad Hogin, General Counsel
David French, ENS Resources (via
teleconference)
Eric O'Donnell, Townsend Public Affairs (TPA)
Cori Williams, Townsend Public Affairs (TPA)

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE CHAIR:

Chair Kim thanked ENS Resources and OCSD staff for organizing the recent trip to Washington DC.

REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER:

None.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (Clerk of the Board)

MOVED, SECONDED, and DULY CARRIED TO: Approve minutes for the Committee meeting held on June 10, 2019.

AYES:	Bernstein, Kim, Kring, Peterson, Shawver, Shea, and Withers
NOES:	None
ABSTENTIONS:	None
ABSENT:	None

NON-CONSENT:

2. LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS UPDATE FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 2019
(Jim Herberg)

David French, ENS Resources, provided a PowerPoint presentation and a brief overview of the federal monthly report which included: infrastructure House reauthorization, permit term legislation H.R. 1764, and PFAS/PFOA National Defense Authorization Act update.

In response to a question from Board Chairman Shawver, Mr. French responded that many environmental groups are the reason for opposition to HR. 1764 in regard to the 10-year permit term. Mr. Herberg also mentioned that OCSD met with the EPA during the recent DC visit and has submitted a letter to the EPA with comments and observations on the EPA's "Discussion Framework for Development of Draft Water Reuse Action Plan."

Eric O'Donnell, TPA, provided a PowerPoint presentation that included: information on the current legislative schedule and deadlines; FY 2019-2020 budget; water tax update; safe drinking water proposal; SB 200 (Monning) – drinking water; cap and trade expenditure plan; and 2019 legislation. In response to a question from Director Kring, Mr. O'Donnell also briefly discussed the lack of legislation regarding water storage.

Committee Chair Kim deemed the Legislative Affairs Update for the month of June 2019 received and filed.

3. PUBLIC AFFAIRS UPDATE FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 2019
(Jim Herberg)

Rebecca Long, Senior Public Affairs Specialist, reminded the Committee of the upcoming Centrifuge Ribbon Cutting VIP event and the Open House on July 27 and announced a save the date for the State of the District on October 25. Ms. Long then provided a brief update on the application for the WIIN grant and reviewed outreach efforts made and meetings attended over the last month.

Director Kring thanked OCSD staff for their outreach efforts at the City of Anaheim's recent OC Green Expo.

Committee Chair Kim deemed the Public Affairs Update for the month of June 2019 received and filed.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

None.

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

None.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS INITIATED ITEMS FOR A FUTURE MEETING:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Committee Chair Kim declared the meeting adjourned at 3:57 p.m. to the next Legislative and Public Affairs Committee meeting, Monday, September 9, 2019 at 12:00 p.m.

Submitted by:

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for Kelly A. Lore, MMC
Clerk of the Board

