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## **CALL TO ORDER**

A regular meeting of the Steering Committee of the Orange County Sanitation District was called to order by Board Vice Chairman Jon Dumitru on Wednesday, June 24, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. in the Orange County Sanitation District Headquarters.

## **ROLL CALL AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM:**

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

**PRESENT:** Jon Dumitru, Pat Burns, Carlos Leon, Christine Marick and Chad Wanke  
**ABSENT:** Ryan Gallagher

**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; Belen Carillo; Jackie Castro; Daisy Covarrubias; Don Cutler; Thys DeVries; Martin Dix; Justin Fenton; Al Garcia; David Haug; Rob Michaels; Aldwin Ramirez; Thomas Vu; and Kevin Work were present in the Huntington Beach Room.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Mal Richardson, General Counsel; Joshua Verceles, Associate Counsel; and Michael Valdez, Special Counsel, Woodruff & Smart; were present in the Huntington Beach Room.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

None.

## **REPORTS:**

Vice Chair Dumitru and General Manager Rob Thompson did not provide reports.

## **CONSENT CALENDAR:**

### **1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

[2026-4697](#)

**Originator:** Kelly Lore

MOVED, SECONDED, AND DULY CARRIED TO:

Approve minutes of the Regular meeting of the Steering Committee held May 27, 2026.

**AYES:** Jon Dumitru, Pat Burns, Carlos Leon, Christine Marick, Chad Wanke and John Withers

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Ryan Gallagher

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**NON-CONSENT:**

**2. AGREEMENT WITH IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT FOR THE COLLECTION OF REGIONAL TREATMENT FEES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-27** [2026-4938](#)

**Originator:** Wally Ritchie

Director of Finance Wally Ritchie provided a brief report of the item.

MOVED, SECONDED, AND DULY CARRIED TO: Recommend to the Board of Directors to:

Approve and authorize the General Manager to execute the Implementation Agreement between Orange County Sanitation District and Irvine Ranch Water District, in a form approved by General Counsel.

**AYES:** Jon Dumitru, Pat Burns, Carlos Leon, Christine Marick, Chad Wanke and John Withers

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Ryan Gallagher

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**3. AGREEMENT WITH IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT MOOTING DEFUNCT PRIOR CONTRACTS AND TERMINATING SURVIVAL PROVISIONS** [2026-4961](#)

**Originator:** Mike Dorman

Director of Engineering Mike Dorman provided a brief report of the item.

MOVED, SECONDED, AND DULY CARRIED TO: Recommend to the Board of Directors to:

Approve and authorize the General Manager to execute the Agreement Mooting Defunct Prior Contracts and Terminating Survival Provisions between Orange County Sanitation District and Irvine Ranch Water District, in a form approved by General Counsel.

**AYES:** Jon Dumitru, Pat Burns, Carlos Leon, Christine Marick, Chad Wanke and John Withers

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Ryan Gallagher

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

4. **GENERAL MANAGER'S FY 2025-2026 WORK PLAN YEAR-END REPORT** [2026-4956](#)

**Originator:** Rob Thompson

General Manager Rob Thompson provided a verbal report of the item.

MOVED, SECONDED, AND DULY CARRIED TO: Recommend to the Board of Directors to:

Receive and file the General Manager's FY 2025-2026 Work Plan Year-End Report.

**AYES:** Jon Dumitru, Pat Burns, Carlos Leon, Christine Marick, Chad Wanke and John Withers

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Ryan Gallagher

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

5. **GENERAL MANAGER'S FY 2026-2027 WORK PLAN** [2026-4960](#)

**Originator:** Rob Thompson

Mr. Thompson provided a verbal report of the General Manager's FY 2026-2027 Work Plan.

MOVED, SECONDED, AND DULY CARRIED TO: Recommend to the Board of Directors to:

Receive and file the General Manager's FY2026-2027 Work Plan.

**AYES:** Jon Dumitru, Pat Burns, Carlos Leon, Christine Marick, Chad Wanke and John Withers

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT:** Ryan Gallagher

**ABSTENTIONS:** None

**INFORMATION ITEMS:**

None.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

None.

**CLOSED SESSION:****CONVENED IN CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTIONS 54956.9(d)(1) & 54956.9(d)(2).**

The Committee convened in closed session at 5:05 p.m. to hear three items. 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 - [2026-4973](#)  
GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(d)(1)**

CONVENED IN CLOSED SESSION:

Number of Cases: 1

Orange County Sanitation District v. Robert M. Jackson, et al., Orange County Superior Court Case No. 30-2024-01379706-CU-OR-CJC.

**CS-2 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL RE ANTICIPATED [2026-4974](#)  
LITIGATION - GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9(d)(2)**

CONVENED IN CLOSED SESSION:

Number of Potential Cases: (1)

Significant exposure to litigation.

**CS-3 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION 54957(b)(1) [2026-4959](#)**

**Originator:** Laura Maravilla

CONVENED IN CLOSED SESSION:

Public Employee Performance Evaluation

Number of Employees: 1

- General Manager

**RECONVENED IN REGULAR SESSION.**

The Committee reconvened in regular session at 6:59 p.m.

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

General Counsel Mal Richardson did not provide a report.

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

None.

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

None.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Vice Chair Dumitru declared the meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m. to the next Regular Steering Committee meeting to be held on Wednesday, July 22, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.

Submitted by:

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Kelly A. Lore, MMC  
Clerk of the Board