

MINUTES

RAYMOND BASIN MANAGEMENT BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, January 19, 2022

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT AND PARTIES REPRESENTED

Chris Burt	Kinneloa Irrigation District East Pasadena Water Company Huntington Library and Art Gallery
Jennifer Betancourt Torres (A)	Lincoln Avenue Water Company La Canada Irrigation District Las Flores Water Company Pasadena Cemetery Association Valley Water Company
Natalie Ouwersloot (A)	City of Pasadena
Jim Prior	San Gabriel County Water District
Jose Reynoso	City of Sierra Madre
Gary Takara	City of Pasadena
Lisa Yamashita-Lopez	Rubio Cañon Land and Water Association

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Paul Cranmer	City of Arcadia
Robert DeLoach	City of Pasadena
William Kimberling	Lincoln Avenue Water Company La Canada Irrigation District Las Flores Water Company Pasadena Cemetery Association Valley Water Company
Martin Ray	City of Alhambra
Jessica Taylor	California-American Water Company
Ken Tchong	Sunny Slope Water Company

OTHERS PRESENT

Brad Boman	City of Pasadena
Casey Feilen	San Gabriel County Water District
Nina Jazmadarian	Foothill Municipal Water District
Ken Kules	Pasadena Resident
Steven McGee	East Valley Water District

STAFF PRESENT

Lauren Augino	Raymond Basin Management Board
Kelly Gardner	Raymond Basin Management Board
Steve Johnson	Stetson Engineers
Ana Mata	Raymond Basin Management Board
Jenny Savron	Stetson Engineers
Anthony Zampielo	Raymond Basin Management Board

1. PRELIMINARY ITEMS

Pursuant to the provisions of Assembly Bill 361, and in response to the COVID-19 outbreak and as a precaution to our Board of Directors, staff and the public, a regular meeting of the Raymond Basin Management Board (RBMB) was duly and regularly held via Zoom Meeting (web-based video conferencing), on Wednesday, January 19, 2022 at the hour of 2:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Director Lisa Yamashita-Lopez, Chair. It was determined that a quorum was present and no additions to the agenda or public comments were offered.

On motion made by Director Prior, seconded by Director Takara, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the October 20, 2021, meeting were approved.

2. TREASURERS REPORT

Director Burt reported that, as of December 31, 2021, the RBMB has collected \$778,400 in Assessments and \$700 in Long-Term Storage. There is still the amount of \$140,300 outstanding in Assessments to be received in Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-22. He added that, as of December 31, 2021, the RBMB has spent \$252,400 (which includes Title 22, and Salvage Credit Reimbursable Expenditures), and currently has a balance of \$150,200 in Receivables and \$3,492,500 in available cash. Reserve Funds available for groundwater recharge projects is \$2,435,000.

Director Yamashita-Lopez, Chair, asked for any questions and with none offered, on motion made by Director Burt, seconded by Director Reynoso, and unanimously carried ordered the financial statement for quarter ending December 31, 2021, received and filed.

3. ANNUAL REVIEW OF INVESTMENT POLICY

The Executive Officer, Mr. Anthony Zampiello, reported that this item is an annual requirement of the original Resolution adopting the Board Investment Policy (Resolution No. 20-0496). He provided a brief review of how RBMB's investments are managed and noted that Local Agency Investment Fund (LAIF) has proven to be a secure and flexible fund, adding that 100% of reserves are currently in LAIF. A copy of the Resolution was included in the Board packet and there are no changes recommended at this time.

On motion made by Director Prior, seconded by Director Burt, and unanimously carried, the Investment Policy was reaffirmed

4. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT AND APPROPRIATE ACTION

Director Yamashita-Lopez, Chair, referred to the written Committee report included in the Board agenda packet and stated that the Committee met on January 4, 2022, and reviewed a draft of today's Board agenda, along with the 2022 meeting dates and a change in representation submitted by the City of Pasadena.

Mr. Zampielo discussed the City of Pasadena's request for a change in representation appointing Mr. Robert DeLoach, City of Pasadena, as its representative to the RBMB and Executive Committee. He added that the City of Pasadena submitted a change of designee form, designating Mr. DeLoach as its representative on the RBMB with Ms. Natalie Ouwersloot as its Alternate; however, the RBMB Bylaws specify that the Chair of the Executive Committee shall appoint to fill vacancies on the Committees and Officers.

Additionally, Mr. Zampielo stated that as to the vacated Vice Chair position previously held by Mr. Takara, Ms. Yamashita-Lopez elected to shift the existing Officers up one position as follows:

Chair:	Lisa Yamashita-Lopez
Vice-Chair:	Jose Reynoso
Secretary:	Chris Burt
Treasurer:	Paul Cranmer
Member At Large:	Robert DeLoach

On motion made by Director Takara, seconded by Director Reynoso, and unanimously carried, the Board approved the appointment of Mr. Robert DeLoach to the RBMB as a Board Member and Member of the Executive Committee.

Director, Yamashita-Lopez, Chair, thanked Mr. Takara for his service and contributions to the RBMB and Raymond Basin.

Following the appointment of Mr. DeLoach, as a Board Member and Member of the Executive Committee and Ms. Natalie Ouwersloot, City of Pasadena, as the Alternate, Ms. Natalie Ouwersloot participated on the RBMB.

5. PUMPING & STORAGE COMMITTEE REPORT

Director Takara reported that the Committee met on November 2, 2021 and discussed the Raymond Basin Study/Scope of Work and the Semi-annual Groundwater Level Measurement Program.

Mr. Zampielo provided an in-depth overview and update on the modeling and proposed next steps.

6. EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Mr. Zampielo reported that discussions continue with Pasadena Water & Power regarding exploring options to increase groundwater levels in the Raymond Basin.

He announced that the 2022 Annual Association of Groundwater Water Agencies/American Ground Water Trust Conference scheduled for February 8 and 9, 2022 at The Centre at Sycamore Plaza in Lakewood, California, has

been postponed to March 29 and 30, 2022. The conference is currently planned as an in-person event and he encouraged everyone to register.

7. ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Johnson referred to the written Engineers Report included in the agenda packet, highlighting hydrologic conditions and information by subarea on rainfall, well levels, production records and spreading.

Director Yamashita-Lopez, Chair, asked for any questions of Mr. Johnson, and with none offered, ordered the report received and filed.

8. INFORMATION ITEMS

Director Yamashita-Lopez, Chair, referred to the items included in the Board packet.

On motion made by Director Reynoso, seconded by Director Burt, and unanimously carried, the information items were noted, and received and filed.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

Mrs. Kelly Gardner, Assistant Executive Officer, reminded everyone that the payment option to defer the additional assessment of \$10 per acre-foot without penalty is due January 31, 2022.

10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, a motion was made by Director, Yamashita-Lopez, Chair, seconded by Director Burt, and unanimously carried, adjourning to the next Regular Board meeting on Wednesday, July 20, 2022, at 2:30 p.m. via Zoom Meeting.

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Lisa Yamashita-Lopez, Chair

Attest:

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Jose Reynoso, Secretary