CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

2700 Foothill Boulevard
La Crescenta, California

Agenda for the
Adjourned Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
of the Crescenta Valley Water District
to be held on Tuesday, October 25, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

Posted: Friday, October 21, 2022, at 3:30 p.m.

AUDIO & VIDEO CONFERENCING NOTICE

[This meeting will be held by audio & video conference only.]

Under AB 361 and District Resolution No. 772, the District will continue to hold Board and Committee meetings by teleconference, due to the continuing State of Emergency for COVID-19 and the ongoing imminent risks to the health or safety of the attendees from COVID-19.

Any member of the public may participate using a touchtone phone. You may select any of the following phone numbers (there are more than one for increased reliability during this time of increased phone traffic)

(669) 900-6833	**(346) 248-7799**	**(929) 205-6099**
(253) 215-8782	**(301) 715-8592**	**(312) 626-6799**

Then, enter Access Code: 897 7273 0161

Those members of the public who are able to and would like to additionally participate through computer may access the Zoom audio & video conferencing tool available at the following link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89772730161

Public comment may be made either by emailing comments ahead of the meeting or by speaking over the phone. Emailed comments will be sent to the Board of Directors prior to the meeting and posted on the District's website. Comments may be sent to Christy Colby, Regulatory and Public Affairs Manager, at (818) 248-3925 or customerservice@cvwd.com by 3pm on October 25, 2022.

Any person may make a request for a disability-related modification or accommodation needed for that person to be able to participate in the public meeting by contacting the District by phone or in writing at the above email address. Requests must specify the nature of the disability and the type of accommodation requested. A telephone number or other contact information should be included so that District staff may discuss appropriate arrangements. Persons requesting a disability-related accommodation should make the request with adequate time before the meeting for the District to provide the requested accommodation.

Any written materials distributed to the Board in connection with this agenda will be made available at the same time for public inspection at the District office located at the above address and posted on the District's website.

Call to Order and Determination of Quorum

Pledge of Allegiance

Adoption of Agenda

Public Comments

At this time, the public shall have an opportunity to comment on any non-agenda item relevant to the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board. This opportunity is non-transferable, and speakers are limited to one three-minute (3) comment. Under the provisions of the Brown Act, the Board is prohibited from taking action on items not listed on the agenda, except under certain circumstances.

Foothill Municipal Water District Report

1. Report on activities at Foothill Municipal Water District.

Consent Calendar

1. Consideration and approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on October 11, 2022.
2. Consideration and approval for the continuation of remote meetings.

Action Calendar

The public shall have an opportunity to comment on any action item as each item is considered by the Board. This opportunity is non-transferable, and speakers are limited to one two-minute (2) comment.

Information Items

Written Communications to District/Board of Directors

Attorney Report

Reports of Committees

- **Engineering Committee**
- **Finance Committee**
- **Employee Relations Committee**
- **Policy Committee**
- **Community Relations/Water Conservation Committee**
- **Emergency Planning Committee**
- **Technology Committee**

Directors' Oral Reports – Reports on issues, meetings, or activities attended by Directors.

Board Members' Request for Future Agenda Items

Closed Session - PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Title: General Manager

Adjournment

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CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING, BOARD OF DIRECTORS
October 11, 2022

Pursuant to the order of the Board of Directors of the Crescenta Valley Water District made at the Adjourned Regular Meeting on September 27, 2022, a Regular Meeting was held on October 13, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. through audio and video conference. A call-in number was clearly noted on the meeting Agenda, posted in accordance with the Brown Act, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, with President James D. Bodnar presiding.

At roll call, the following Directors and staff members were online:

Directors:	**James D. Bodnar** **Kerry D. Erickson** **Ken R. Putnam** **Sharon S. Raghavachary** **Judy L. Tejeda (absent)**
Attorney:	**Elsa Sham**
General Manager:	**Nem Ochoa**
Director of Finance & Administration:	**James Lee**
Director of Engineering & Operations:	**David Gould**
Staff Members:	**Arturo Montes, Finance & Administration Manager** **Brook Yared, Engineering Manager** **Christy Colby, Regulatory & Public Affairs Manager** **Kellen Boyce, System Operations Manager** **Darlene Telles, Operations & Maintenance Manager** **Tessa Allmon, Customer Service Lead** **Adam Sutphin, Analyst** **Pam Leddy, Administrative Assistant**
Guests:	**Nina Jazmadarian, FMWD** **Rich Atwater, FMWD**
Public Participation:	**Frank Colcord**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Raghavachary opened the meeting by leading the Directors and staff in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA
It was moved by Director Erickson, seconded by Director Raghavachary, and carried by a 4-0 roll call vote that the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of October 11, 2022, be adopted as presented.

AYES:	**Director Bodnar** **Director Erickson** **Director Putnam** **Director Raghavachary**
NOES:	**None**
ABSENT:	**Director Tejeda**

PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

FOOTHILL MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT REPORT – No report

CONSENT CALENDAR
It was moved by Director Raghavachary, seconded by Director Putnam, and carried by a 4-0 roll call vote to approve the Minutes of the Adjourned Regular Board Meeting held on September 27, 2022, through audio and video conference, and to reaffirm Resolution No. 772 to find that (1) Los Angeles County officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing; and (2) meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health and safety of attendees.

AYES:	**Director Bodnar** **Director Erickson** **Director Putnam** **Director Raghavachary**
NOES:	**None**
ABSENT:	**Director Tejeda**

ACTION CALENDAR

Drought Conditions and Impact on Water Supply – Ms. Jazmadarian and Director Atwater of Foothill Municipal Water District (FMWD) provided a presentation explaining the severity of the drought and its impact on the District's and regional water supply. Ms. Jazmadarian indicated that the declining groundwater levels, decreased precipitation, and increase in average temperatures would reduce the water supplies even further unless there were above-normal rainfall. In addition, reservoir levels falling below critical levels would jeopardize the prospect of continued hydroelectric generation. Ms. Jazmadarian provided information on several proposed projects to increase the availability of water to the impacted areas in the state of California. These range from Statewide projects such as the Delta Conveyance Project for the State Water Project to a focus on local water supply development such as for recycled water or recycled water. Ms. Jazmadarian concluded with a summary of water supply planning/development proposals being considered as part of a collaborative planning effort amongst the Foothill and other neighboring agencies.

<u>LAFCO's Special District Voting Member Ballot</u> – Mr. Ochoa stated that at the August 23, 2022 Board meeting, the Board supported Director Raghavachary's nomination as a candidate for the LAFCO Special District Voting Member.

Following discussion:

It was moved by Director Bodnar, seconded by Director Erickson, and carried by a 4-0 roll call vote to cast the District's ballot for Sharon S. Raghavachary for the LAFCO's Special District Voting Member.

AYES:	**Director Bodnar**
	Director Erickson
	Director Putnam
	Director Raghavachary
NOES:	**None**
ABSENT:	**Director Tejeda**

<u>Steel Reservoir Rehabilitation at Goss Canyon No. 1 Reservoir, Project E-1053</u> – Mr. Yared requested consideration and motion to authorize the General Manager to advertise for bids for the steel reservoir rehabilitation at Goss Canyon No. 1 Reservoir. Mr. Yared provided several pictures showing advanced corrosion on the interior surface of the reservoir, and specifications for the rehabilitation of the reservoir. Mr. Yared said the project's expected completion date is April 2023.

Following discussion:

It was moved by Director Putnam, seconded by Director Erickson, and carried by a 4-0 roll call vote to authorize the General Manager to advertise for bids for steel reservoir rehabilitation at Goss Canyon No. 1 Reservoir with an engineer's construction estimate of $524,200 and to find said project exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

AYES:	**Director Bodnar**
	Director Erickson
	Director Putnam
	Director Raghavachary
NOES:	**None**
ABSENT:	**Director Tejeda**

<u>INFORMATION ITEMS</u> – CV Weekly article dated September 29, 2022 "Thank You Crescenta Valley Water District Customers!"

<u>WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS TO DISTRICT</u> – None

<u>REPORTS OF PERSONNEL</u> – No report

GENERAL MANAGER – Mr. Ochoa announced that the Annual Halloween/Chili Cook-off Luncheon Event will be held on Thursday, October 27, 2022 at the Glenwood Plant. Ms. Colby stated that CVWD will donate water conservation buckets to the Crescenta Valley Sheriff's Department for their Halloween celebration event and provided highlights of the Water Conservation and Public Outreach Report. Ms. Telles presented highlights of the Operations and Maintenance Report. Mr. Yared stated that 103.8 MG of water was produced during the month of September 2022, representing a 55%/45% split, and provided highlights of the Engineering Report.

ATTORNEY REPORT – No report

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Engineering Committee – Director Erickson reported that the Committee had met on October 5, 2022. An audio/video conference meeting will be scheduled as needed.

Finance Committee – Director Bodnar reported that the Committee had not met; however, an audio/video conference meeting will be scheduled as needed.

Employee Relations Committee – Director Tejeda reported that the Committee had not met; however, an audio/video conference meeting will be scheduled as needed.

Policy Committee – Director Bodnar reported that the Committee had not met; however, an audio/video conference meeting will be scheduled as needed.

Community Relations/Water Conservation Committee – Director Tejeda reported that the Committee had not met; however, an audio/video conference meeting will be scheduled as needed.

Emergency Planning Committee – Director Putnam reported that the Committee had not met; however, an audio/video conference meeting will be scheduled as needed.

Executive Committee – Director Bodnar reported that the Committee had not met. An audio/video conference meeting will be scheduled on October 14, 2022.

Technology Committee – Director Raghavachary reported that the Committee had not met; however, an audio/video conference will be scheduled as needed.

DIRECTORS' ORAL REPORTS

Director Erickson – Attended the "Carved" Halloween Event at Descanso Gardens.

Director Bodnar – No report

Director Tejeda – No report

Director Putnam – No report

Director Raghavachary – Reported that the doll "Donna the Dead" has returned to the Crescenta Valley area for the Halloween season.

BOARD MEMBERS REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – Director Erickson requested further discussion of modifications that may be needed to the Board Room in preparation for the recommencement of in person Board Meetings.

CLOSED SESSION – None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the Board, at 8:11 p.m., the meeting was adjourned to October 25, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

APPROVED

James D. Bodnar	James Lee
President	Director of Finance & Administration

CRESCENTA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS – STAFF REPORT

To: Honorable President and Members of the Board of Directors

From: Thomas Bunn – General Counsel

Subject: **Approve continuation of remote meetings as described in AB 361 and make required findings**

<u>DISCUSSION</u> :

At the September 28, 2021 Board meeting, pursuant to AB 361, the Board of Directors adopted Resolution No. 772, which authorized the Board to continue to have remote meetings based upon the continued state of emergency for COVID-19, and made findings that (1) Los Angeles County officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing; and (2) meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health and safety of attendees. In order to continue to have remote meetings, AB 361 requires that the Board reaffirm one or both of those findings within 30 days after the first remote meeting, and every 30 days thereafter, provided that a state of emergency continues to be in place.

At the time this report was prepared, there is a continued state of emergency for COVID-19. This item is on the agenda for the Board to consider whether to reaffirm the resolution and make the required findings to continue to have remote meetings for an additional 30 days. The resolution authorizes the Board to extend the resolution by motion.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

None.

RECOMMENDATION

The Board of Directors reaffirm Resolution No. 772 and find that (1) Los Angeles County officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing; and (2) meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health and safety of attendees.