



1. **A. CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Soiseth called the meeting to order at 10:17 a.m.  
**PRESENT:** Director Lane, Director DeHart, Vice Chair Vierra, Chair Soiseth  
**ABSENT:** None
  
- B. SALUTE TO THE FLAG**
  
2. **RECOGNITION, APPOINTMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS & PRESENTATIONS:** Chair Soiseth welcomed the Mayor's Youth Conference attendees to the meeting and introduced the Board members. Director Michael Cooke provided the youth with an overview of the Project.
  
3. **A. SPECIAL BRIEFINGS:** None
  
- B. STAFF UPDATES:**
  1. Interim General Manager Michael Brinton provided an update of items discussed at recent Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meetings, including:
    - Prepared September Program Management Status Report Executive Summary for TAC review
    - TAC reviewed draft Project Definition Technical Memorandum
    - Updated master schedule and prepared schedule summary tables
    - Continued finalizing Clean Water Act Section 404 and 401 permit applications on infiltration gallery for submittal to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board
    - Continued preparing Low Effect Habitat Conservation Plan for review by TAC and submittal to U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
    - Board approved IS/MND and MMRP on the Infiltration Gallery Testing Project
    - Filed Notice of Determination with Stanislaus County Clerk and State Clearinghouse
    - Developed additional information/responses to CDFW in response to their comments on the Streambed Alteration Agreement application
    - Provided portions of administrative draft EIR for TAC review
    - TAC reviewed cultural resources technical report
    - Coordinated with Stanislaus County regarding Fox Grove access agreement
    - Coordinated MMRP requirements with wet well contract documents
    - Completed 100% design of Wet Well drawings and specifications
    - Preparing to solicit construction contract bids for Wet Well
    - Prepared for survey flight of finished water pipeline alignments
    - Continued raw water quality sampling and testing
    - Met with Division of Financial Assistance staff to discuss SRF application
    - Prepared level-of-effort cost estimate for Phase 2 work (Horizon)
    - Finalized proposed Phase 2 scope and budget (West Yost)
  
  2. Julie Burke, Acting Finance Director, provided a summary of activity for the current fiscal year through October 17, 2017.

**C. CONSULTANT UPDATES:**

1. Gerry Nakano of West Yost Associates provided a project status update including the following:
  - Finalizing the Wet Well Project contract documents
  - Finalizing Phase 2 Program Management Services Scope of Work and Level of Effort
  - Reviewing ADEIR for the Project
  - Continuing forward on critical path items, such as performing aerial photos of both treated water transmission alignments
  - Governor signed SB 373 allowing SRF funding to be used for projects delivered under a Design-Build contracting method, which is how this Project will be contracted
  - Provided an overview of major Phase 1 accomplishments

**D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** None

**4. DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND DISQUALIFICATIONS:** None

**5. CONSENT CALENDAR:**

**Action:** Motion by Director Lane, second by Director DeHart, adopting the consent calendar and approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 28, 2017. Motion carried by the following vote:

Director Lane	Director DeHart	Vice Chair Vierra	Chair Soiseth
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

**6. PUBLIC HEARINGS:** None

**7. SCHEDULED MATTERS:**

- A. Lindsay Smith of West Yost presented the report requesting concurrence with the recommendation of the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and request to approve Amendment No. 5 to the Agreement for Special Services with West Yost for Phase 2 services.

**Discussion:** Smith described the Project drivers and benefits were to improve water quality, improve supply reliability with a diversified water portfolio, provide in-lieu aquifer recharge to support groundwater sustainability, increase operational flexibility, and provide environmental benefits to Tuolumne River aquatic species. Project components, funding opportunities, and project schedule were also reviewed. The scope outline, tasks through August 2019, was discussed. The proposed Project budget of \$5,667,453 includes sub-consultant expenses. A budget for separately contracted tasks was presented and amounts to \$805,048. Additional consultant expenditures will be incurred in Phase 2 for environmental and legal services and are estimated at \$852,960 and are not part of this request. Construction costs, SRWA board administrative costs, permitting costs and government relations and public affairs consultant services are also not included in this budget.

Vice Chair Vierra asked for clarification on the timeline and role of the design/builder.

Chair Soiseth opened public participation.

Michael Cooke, Director of Municipal Services, and Gerry Nakano, West Yost Associates, responded to questions from the audience as part of the Mayor’s Youth Conference. A youth participant asked about the Project’s impact on farming. Farmers are being asked for property easements, some land leases may be terminated, they will potentially benefit from additional water supplies, and the surrounding river habitat will be improved.

Milt Trieweiler asked about the Parks Bill and its impact on this Project. Chair Soiseth responded that language has been added to the bill which qualifies this Project and allows the SRWA to access \$30 million in funding. Trieweiler restated his desire for the Board to address the impact this Project will have on global climate change/warming. Lindsay Smith responded that this Project will focus on capturing additional water resources to build up ground water levels for use during future drought periods.

There being no further public response, Chair Soiseth closed public participation.

**Action:** Motion by Vice Chair Vierra, second by Director Lane, concurring with the recommendation of the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and approving Amendment No. 5 to the Agreement for Special Services with West Yost for Phase 2 services, as set forth in Attachment A, in an amount not to exceed Five Million Six Hundred Sixty-Seven Thousand Four Hundred Fifty-Three and No/100ths Dollars (\$5,667,453.00) which includes a ten percent (10%) contingency. Motion carried by the following vote:

Director Lane	Director DeHart	Vice Chair Vierra	Chair Soiseth
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

**Action:** **Resolution 2017-013** appropriating \$5,667,453.00 to account 950-53-552.43060\_012 “Contract Services-Program Management Services” to be funded via contributions from SRWA participating agencies was introduced by Vice Chair Vierra, seconded by Director DeHart, and carried by the following vote:

Director Lane	Director DeHart	Vice Chair Vierra	Chair Soiseth
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

B. Interim General Manager Michael Brinton presented the report appointing Allison Martin as the SRWA Board Secretary, effective November 1, 2017. Brinton thanked Ms. Foley for her service to the Board over the past year.

**Discussion:** None

Chair Soiseth opened public participation. There being no public response, Chair Soiseth closed public participation.

**Action:** Motion by Director DeHart, second by Director Lane, appointing Allison Martin as the SRWA Board Secretary, effective November 1, 2017. Motion carried by the following vote:

Director Lane	Director DeHart	Vice Chair Vierra	Chair Soiseth
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

8. MATTERS TOO LATE FOR THE AGENDA: None
9. BOARD ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION: None
10. BOARD COMMENTS:
11. NEXT MEETING DATE: November 23, 2017 - Regular Meeting will be cancelled.
12. CLOSED SESSION: None
13. ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Director Lane, second by Director DeHart, to adjourn at 11:13 a.m. Motion carried 4/0.

*Respectfully submitted,*

  
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Tish Foley, Board Secretary