

**MINUTES OF MEETING
SALINAS VALLEY SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
January 9, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER

Vice President De La Rosa called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Gloria De La Rosa Vice Presiden
Chris Lopez Alternate Vice President

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

Robert Cullen President

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Patrick Mathews, *General Manager/CAO*
Cesar Zuniga, *Assistant General
Manager/Operations Manager*
Ray Hendricks, *Finance and Administration
Manager*
Mandy Brooks, *Resource Recovery Maager*

Brian Kennedy, *Engineering and
Enviornmental Compliance Manager*
Monica Ambriz, *Human Resource Supervisor*
Erika J. Trujillo, *Clerk of the Board*
Roy C. Santos, *General Counsel*
(Via Telephone)

GENERAL MANAGER AND DEPARTMENT MANAGER COMMENTS

(4:01) General Manager/CAO Mathews commented on two articles provide to the Committee from WasteDive, "House plans to take up sweeping new PFAS bill with waste implications" published on January 7, 2020, and Disposal capacity crunch paves way for more industry consolidation and price increases, per report" published on January 8, 2020. Key takeaway is there is only an estimated 18 years of [collective] landfill capacity remaining in the U.S. according to the Waste Business Journal.

Assistant General Manager Zuñiga commented on the status of the Gloria-Iverson-Johnson Canyon Road Improvement Project indicating the request for bids is projected to be released in February.

Resource Recovery Manager Brooks commented on the collaboration between the Authority and Republic Services in assisting the City of Salinas with their monitoring plan for compliance with Assembly Bill 1826.

COMMITTEE COMMENTS

(4:06) None

PUBLIC COMMENT

(4:06) None

CONSIDERATION ITEMS

1. Minutes of December 5, 2019 Meeting

(4:06)

Committee Discussion: None

Public Comment: None

Committee Action: Alternate Vice President Lopez made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Vice President De La Rosa seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously: 2-0.

2. November 2019 Claims and Financial Reports

(4:07) Finance and Administration Manager Hendricks provided a report on the Agency's finances, indicating that revenues are ahead of schedule and expenses are trending comparable to last year.

Committee Discussion: None

Public Comment: None

Committee Action: Alternate Vice President Lopez made a motion to forward to the Board recommending approval. Vice President De La Rosa seconded the motion. The motion passed; 2-0

3. A Resolution Approving an Adjustment to the Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2019-20

(4:08) Finance and Administration Manager Hendricks provided a report based on the fiscal years previous six month of the financial activity. He reviewed the cost of the positions previously approved by the Board, the proposals received for the SB 1383 Program Planning services, and the projected increase in tonnage that require an adjustment to the operating budget.

Committee Discussion: The Committee discussed the report.

Public Comment: None

Committee Action: Alternate Vice President Lopez made a motion to forward to the Board recommending approval. Vice President De La Rosa seconded the motion. The motion passed; 2-0

4. 2019 Employee Survey Results

(4:17) Human Resources Supervisor Ambriz explained the categories that the survey measures are job satisfaction, morale of our organization, engagement, and benefits. She indicated survey is anonymous and the data received helps the agency collect input from staff and identify areas with potential improvement opportunities. This year the survey reflected an increase in morale, communication, and in general attitude compared to the previous two years.

Committee Discussion: The Committee discussed the report.

Public Comment: None

Committee Action: None; Informational Only

5. Update on the city of Salinas' One Year Notice of Intent to Withdrawal from the Joint Powers Agreement with the Salinas Valley Solid Waste Authority

(4:27) General Manager/CAO reported there was no new information. The City of Salinas has not released the report or indicated when it would be released.

Committee Discussion: The Committee discussed the report. Vice President De La Rosa indicated she was advised that there was a meeting scheduled for January 16 to review the report but had no further information.

Public Comment: None

Committee Action: None; Informational Only

6. Request for Fiscal Year 2020-21 Preliminary Budget Direction

(4:30) Finance and Administration Manager Hendricks presented a status quo preliminary budget for all services indicated there are no new program changes. He detailed the payroll budget increases and the cost of two additional positions being requested by staff, Equipment Maintenance Technician (Mechanic) position, and a Loader Operator for the Woodwaste, Construction and Demolition material. Mr. Hendricks reviewed the rate changes being proposed for both residential and commercial customers.

Committee Discussion: The Committee discussed the report. Alternate Vice President Lopez commented on his desire to consider reserving funds for the repair and maintenance of the Gloria-Iverson-Johnson Canyon roads.

Public Comment: None

Committee Action: Alternate Vice President Lopez made a motion to forward to the Board recommending approval. Vice President De La Rosa seconded the motion. The motion passed; 2-0

7. A Resolution Approving an Agreement between the County of Monterey and the Salinas Valley Solid Waste Authority for the Fair Share Funding of the Gloria-Iverson-Johnson Canyon Road Improvements Project

(5:06) General Manager Mathews provided a report on the draft agreement between the Authority and the County of Monterey for the fair share funding of the Gloria-Iverson-Johnson Canyon Road improvement project. He indicated the Authority General Counsel had reviewed and submitted its edits to the County for their review. Mr. Mathews informed the Committee the Authority does not anticipate the edits requested by the Authority General Counsel to be an issue and is expecting to take the final agreement to the Board at the February meeting.

Committee Discussion: The Committee discussed the report.

Public Comment: None

Committee Action: Alternate Vice President Lopez made a motion to forward to the Board recommending approval. Vice President De La Rosa seconded the motion. The motion passed; 2-0

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

8. Future Agenda Items

(5:10) The Committee reviewed the view ahead.

CLOSED SESSION

(5:12) President Cullen invited public comment related to Item Nos. 9 and 10.

9. Pursuant to **Government Code Section 54956.8** to confer with legal counsel and real property negotiators General Manager/CAO Patrick Mathews, Asst. GM/Ops Manager Cesar Zuñiga, Finance and Administration Manager Ray Hendricks, and General Counsel Roy C. Santos, concerning the possible terms and conditions of acquisition, lease, exchange or sale of **1)** Salinas Valley Solid Waste Authority Property, APNs 003-051-086 and 003-051-087, located at 135-139 Sun Street, Salinas, CA: **2)** APN 002-021-005, located at 356 W. Market St., Salinas, CA: **3)** APN 002-021-006, located at 346 W. Market St., Salinas, CA: **4)** 5APN 002-021-007, located at 330 W. Market St., Salinas, CA: and **5)** APN 002-021-008, located at 320 W. Market St., Salinas, CA **5)** APN 002-021-008, located at 320 W. Market

St., Salinas, CA **6)** APN 003-211-022-000, located at 195 Sherwood Dr. and 416 Main St., Salinas, CA

10. Pursuant to **Government Code Section 54957 (b)** to consider the Performance Evaluation of the General Manager/Chief Administrative Officer Patrick Mathews for 2019.

Public Comment: None

(5:13) Vice President De La Rosa adjourned the meeting into closed session to discuss Item Nos. 9 and 10.

RECONVENE

(5:32) Vice President De La Rosa reconvened the meeting to open session with no reportable actions taken in closed session.

ADJOURNMENT

(5:33) President Cullen adjourned the meeting.

ATTEST: 
Erika J. Trujillo, Clerk of the Board

APPROVED: 
Robert Cullen, President