

**WESTERN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE
ENGINEERING, OPERATIONS, AND WATER RESOURCES
COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE WHOLE
JANUARY 5, 2026**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Director Director Gracie Torres called the Engineering, Operations, and Water Resources Committee Meeting of the Whole to order at 10:30 a.m. on Monday, January 5, 2026, in the Western Municipal Water District Training Room, 14205 Meridian Parkway, Riverside, California.

2. ROLL CALL

Roll call of the Board of Directors was taken by Board Secretary Tammi Ford. The following board members were in attendance:

Directors Present

Laura Roughton
Fauzia Rizvi
Brenda Dennstedt
Gracie Torres
Mike Gardner

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Members of the public may address the Committee regarding any item within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Committee; however, no action may be taken on off-agenda items unless authorized by law. Comments shall be limited to matters not listed on the agenda. Members of the public may comment on any matter listed on the agenda at the time that the Committee considers that matter. Each individual's comment is limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes; however, the Presiding Officer reserves the right to reduce the amount of time each individual can speak to ensure all members of the public have an opportunity to comment.

None.



4. CONSENT CALENDAR

Consent Calendar items are expected to be routine and non-controversial and are to be acted upon by the Committee by one motion, without discussion. If any Committee member, staff member, or interested person requests that an item be removed from the Consent Calendar for further discussion, it will be moved to the first item on the Action Agenda.

- A. Approve the Minutes of the December 1, 2025, Engineering, Operations, and Water Resources Committee Meeting of the Whole

Committee members approved the minutes of the December 1, 2025 Engineering, Operations, and Water Resources Committee Meeting, with no changes.

5. ITEMS TO BE ADDED TO THE AGENDA

(If any) In accordance with Section 54954.2 of the Government Code, upon determination by a two-thirds vote of the legislative body, or, if less than two-thirds of the members are present, a unanimous vote of those members present that there is a need to take action, and the need to take action arose after the agenda was posted.

None.

6. UPCOMING BOARD ITEMS/RECOMMENDATIONS TO BE MADE TO THE FULL BOARD

The following items on the Agenda call for discussion and action by the Committee. All items are placed on the Agenda so that the Committee may discuss and take action on the item, if the Committee is so inclined.

- A. Authorize Execution of Memorandum of Understanding with Jurupa Community Services District for Temporary Assignment and Purchase of Water Produced from the Chino Basin Desalter Authority

This item was presented by: Josh Aguilar, Deputy Director of Water Resources

Committee Recommendation: Forward Item 6A to the full Board of Directors for consideration.

- B. Award a Professional Services Contract to Water Systems Consulting, Inc. for the Feasibility Study for Recharging Recycled Water and Groundwater Desalter Expansion Project

This item was presented by: Mallory O’Conor, Water Resources Manager

Committee Recommendation: Forward Item 6B to the full Board of Directors for consideration.

C. Approve Quitclaims of Western Municipal Water District's Interest in Water Easements

This item was presented by: Ginger Han, Principal Engineer

Committee recommendation: Forward Item 6C to the full Board of Directors for consideration.

7. REPORTS

The following agenda items are reports. They are placed on the Agenda to provide information to the Board and the public. There is no action called for in these items.

A. GENERAL MANAGER REPORT

General Manager Craig Miller provided brief remarks noting that the water year has started off very good. He stated that staff will bring a water supply report to a board meeting in February.

B. ENGINEERING REPORT

1. Report on Increased Project Budget and Award of Professional Services Contract for the Markham Street Waterline Relocations

Derek Kawaii, Director of Engineering, announced that the request made at the last committee meeting regarding the Markham Street Waterline Relocations will have a slight revision at the next Board meeting to accommodate an opportunity to complete additional work during this existing project.

2. 2025 Development Services Update

Ginger Han, Principal Engineer, provided an update on development services projects in the past year, noting that development projects were exceptionally active. She stated that developer paid deposits received had increased in 2025, which equates to more active proposals entering the system. She reviewed water and sewer connections, as well as capacity fees. She briefly discussed notable projects that occurred in 2025, and assured the Committee that staff is preparing for continued growth and demand.

C. OPERATIONS REPORT

None.

D. WATER RESOURCES REPORT

None.

E. DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS AND REQUESTS

None.

8. NEXT MEETING

A. Monday, February 2, 2026, 10:30 a.m.

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Committee, Director Torres adjourned the meeting at 11:27 a.m.