



**BEAUMONT-CHERRY VALLEY WATER DISTRICT  
560 Magnolia Avenue, Beaumont, CA 92223**

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING – ENGINEERING WORKSHOP  
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
Thursday, April 28, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.**

*Meeting held in person and via teleconference pursuant to California Government Code Section 54950 et. seq. and under the provisions of Assembly Bill 361 and BCVWD Resolution 2022-09*

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**Call to Order: President Williams**

*President Williams began the meeting at 6:06 p.m.*

*Pledge of Allegiance was led by Director Hoffman.*

*Invocation was given by President Williams.*

**Announcement of Teleconference Participation**

General Manager Dan Jagers advised that this meeting is conducted pursuant to BCVWD Resolution.

The teleconference capabilities of this meeting have been identified in the Notice and Agenda. The teleconference locations are not publicly accessible. The public's right to comment and participate in the meeting is being assured via teleconference capabilities and at the BCVWD Administrative Office Board Room.

Directors attended in person at the meeting location and via teleconference.

**Roll Call:**

Directors present:	Covington, Hoffman, Ramirez, Slawson, Williams
Directors absent:	None
Staff present:	General Manager Dan Jagers Director of Finance and Administrative Services Kirene Manini, PhD Director of Engineering Mark Swanson Director of Information Technology Robert Rasha Civil Engineering Assistant Evan Ward Civil Engineering Assistant Daniel Baguyo Administrative Assistant Cenica Smith Accounting Technician Erica Gonzales Senior Accountant Sylvia Molina Human Resources Coordinator Sabrina Foley Transmission and Distribution Supervisor Julian Herrera
Legal Counsel	James Markman

Members of the public who registered their attendance: Kevin Walton of the San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency, Hamid Roknian, and Spencer Anderson with Richmond American, and Sharnay Gardner.

**Public Comment:**

Kevin Walton of the San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency introduced himself.

**1. Adjustments to the Agenda:**

Mr. Jagers pointed out a misstatement in the staff report for Item 6 – The applicant is not Daniel Haskins from Land Engineering Consultants, but is, as shown on page 79, Mozafar Behzad, and Hamid and Rozita Roknian.

**2. Approval of the 2022-2026 Memorandum of Understanding with the Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District Employee Association**

General Manager Jagers advised this information is posted on the website. He reviewed the redline draft document and explained changes.

Directors Slawson and Hoffman expressed appreciation for the work done. Director Covington noted much work including the holding of late night and special meetings to get the document completed. He acknowledged the good faith negotiations, and said he appreciated the professionalism of the Employees Association throughout the process. He said he hoped the employees are happy with the outcome. President Williams concurred and thanked staff for their dedication.

*The Board approved the 2022-2026 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the BCVWD Employee Association by the following roll-call vote:*

MOVED: Slawson	SECONDED: Hoffman	APPROVED 5-0
AYES:	Covington, Hoffman, Ramirez, Slawson, Williams	
NOES:	None	
ABSTAIN:	None	
ABSENT:	None	

**3. Resolution 2022-11: Revising the District’s Organization Chart and Salary Schedule Effective Retroactively to January 2, 2022**

General Manager Jagers introduced the reorganization based on the Classification Study and Compensation Study prepared by Koff and Associates, which has been discussed with the Board at length. He pointed to the attachments of the Resolution with Organization Chart and Salary Schedule. It represents the moving forward of the District’s staffing and compensation.

Jagers highlighted some areas of the report. He described an increase of the Water Utility Worker range by 3 percent, an adjustment from the Range 17

presented in the Koff study to address the desire of the Board and management to provide a competitive salary to entry level Water Utility I workers, which is commensurate with the local area. The total estimated FY 2022 budget adjustment to the District is not to exceed \$156,000, and will come to the Board later in the year. A more accurate figure will be calculated with the budget forecast for 2023, he said.

Jaggers pointed out that approval of the resolution will make the organization chart and salary schedule retroactive to January 2, 2022.

Director Ramirez said he appreciated the back and forth and moving forward the requests of the Board. Director Covington said he looks forward to the budget adjustment returning to the Board for discussion.

*The Board adopted Resolution 2022-11 Revising the District's Organization Chart and Salary Schedule Effective Retroactively to January 2, 2022 and a budget adjustment not to exceed \$156,000 by the following roll-call vote:*

MOVED: Covington	SECONDED: Hoffman	APPROVED 5-0
AYES:	Covington, Hoffman, Ramirez, Slawson, Williams	
NOES:	None	
ABSTAIN:	None	
ABSENT:	None	

**4. Feasibility of the Construction of a Replacement Pipeline within Grand Avenue identified as P-3040-0027 in the 2016 Potable Water Master Plan**

General Manager Jaggers reminded the Board about the recent need for quick action to address facilities that were in the way of construction of the Master Drainage Plan (MDP) Line 16 project. Staff has examined potential opportunities for the District to save money by getting ahead of new pavement, as requested by Director Covington.

There are potential impacts to facilities located near the larger lines on the west end of the project, Jaggers explained. He advised that one service lines has been broken three times by the contractor, and a meeting was held with Flood Control to identify that the District is tracking costs and will submit for reimbursement.

Staff examined the feasibility of obtaining replacement of parts for the pipelines identified in the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) for replacement, and whether it can be done before the end of the MDP project, Jaggers explained.

Director of Engineering Mark Swanson refreshed the memory of the Board on the MDP Line 16 project and noted that the Grand Avenue replacement pipeline relocation project has been completed along with the sixth pipeline which was approved at a recent special meeting of the Board.

Project P-3040-0027 is identified in the Potable Master Plan as a 2,650-foot length of pipe along Grand Avenue from Jonathan to Bellflower, with a small portion entering the Highland Springs Village mobile home community, which would not be included. Of this, 332 feet was included in the recently competed realignment project.

Director Covington recalled approval of the pipeline replacements along with the section that had been unanticipated, and asked if all segments were along Grand Avenue and were completed. Mr. Swanson noted that all but one were on Grand, and Mr. Jagers reviewed the locations. Swanson detailed the segments completed and segments remaining to be addressed to get the Grand Avenue area finished.

General Manager Jagers pointed out that paving activity by Riverside County Flood Control on Jonathan was not coordinated with the District, but a remedy has been discussed and a letter is being prepared to establish coordination and assure facilities are not lost.

The projects in the CIP are programmed in the budget, Jagers continued, and there is opportunity to get under new pavement. He also commented on the condition of pavement and potential for re-paving. The objective of this discussion is to identify what can be done at this time.

Mr. Swanson responded to a question from Director Slawson, identifying a portion of the proposed project and explaining procedures for stubbing intersections. Jagers redirected discussion to the feasibility of project completion considering parts acquisition, design completion, California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exposure, and physical completion of the work within the window of opportunity between the installation of the storm drain and the potential paving.

Swanson detailed the window between the middle of August and end of October to address the project, which is not a lot of time when it comes to procurement of materials, the Request for Proposal (RFP), CEQA Notice of Intent, and Notice Inviting Bids. He presented two schedule options for the Board based on CEQA constraints.

Jagers emphasized the procurement challenges balanced with the CEQA components. Swanson reiterated that all three project components are in the CIP budget and are in the Master Plan to be upsized.

Materials only for the Jonathan pipeline are estimated at \$250,000, Swanson continued, depending on the project length decided. For the component to the west, he estimated \$40,000 for materials (P-3040-0019). These two projects would tie out Grand Avenue and the street would be buttoned up, he concluded.

Jagers added that the City of Beaumont has a proposed paving project along 5th Street between California and Michigan, and the District has old lines under that street. There is also an old line ready for replacement located under Michigan, he added. The District has just found out about this paving project and the City is moving forward quickly. The District would either need a relaxation of the moratorium or decide next what to do about that section, he cautioned. In addition, there are old services on 6th Street between Pennsylvania and Highland Springs that may need a service retrofit project at the same time to get under new pavement, Jagers noted. This would involve pre-purchasing of materials in this economic climate to get ahead and hiring an installation contractor to do the work. It is shifting of gears for staff to handle all these things, but they are worth doing to eliminate exposures, he stated.

Jagers advised that two applications have been made through the County of Riverside for American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding that, if approved, could net up to \$2 million for a two-pipeline project from the Noble Tank and the B line in the Canyon (which was broken by a bulldozer during the El Dorado Fire). Application for

\$4 million in federal funding has also been made for Wells 1A and 2A, he added. Mr. Swanson also pointed to a leaky line under 11th Street.

If a decision is made that materials are to be ordered for this project, action will be taken tomorrow to order and the designs will be wrapped up ASAP to be able to get proposals, Swanson noted. Director Covington noted that procurement of materials would need to be added to the next agenda for approval.

In response to Director Covington, Mr. Swanson noted that the pipeline is approximately 30 to 40 years old and in pretty good shape for its 100-year service life. Covington recommended looking at replacing this line also as part of this project, to avoid band-aids along Grand Avenue. He also pointed out that with the contractor's use of heavy equipment on the storm drain project, it is likely the District will end up with leaks in the area. Procurement of materials is a current struggle for all in the water business, Covington pointed out. He said he understood the nuances and supported moving forward with the proposed project before the paving of Grand Avenue.

Director Hoffman asked about the service life of the pipelines within the proposed project; Swanson said they were in the range of 80 years old. Hoffman asked if all proposed materials were standard sizes, and Swanson confirmed. Hoffman stated he saw no reason not to purchase the materials and move forward, but acknowledged the CEQA considerations. Jagers assured Hoffman that the funds are budgeted for the older pipelines but replacement of some of the fairly new pipeline may or may not have been programmed.

Director Hoffman agreed with Covington on procurement of the material and supported moving forward as quickly as possible with planning so as not to have to do things over again.

Covington pointed to the sections designated fairly new and their related budget impact, and asked if it was feasible to go back and amend the CIP to cover the costs. Jagers indicated that it would be a matter of reprogramming funds and he estimated \$250,000 in materials costs and installation.

Director Covington acknowledged that this is a lot of activity and suggested that if outside resources were needed the Board would be supportive to ensure that the Engineering team has the staff to move through a project like this at the last minute. Jagers agreed that staff is stretched and assured that staff is trying to pick up the pace and aggressive schedules have been set. Consultants will be chosen to assist in the places where help can be used at the highest level, and a team needs to be built to do certain things such as the booster stations, he said.

Director Hoffman suggested a special meeting for approval of needed funding, and in the meantime, determining the availability of materials.

General Manager Jagers indicated that staff will begin moving forward on the design phase. Next week, staff will have a recommendation for contracting with an environmental specialist for the CEQA assessment and for the materials purchase, he stated.

Vice President Ramirez concurred with procurement of materials sooner than later and supported proceeding with the project.

Director Slawson said he appreciated the forward-thinking of staff and indicated support for the project.

Based on consensus, President Williams directed staff to move forward.

President Williams invited public comment. There was none.

**5. Resolution 2022-12: Authorizing the Implementation of Water Use Restrictions and Rescinding Resolution 2016-15**

Mr. Jagers drew attention to serious restrictions on supply in the Metropolitan Water District (MWD) area. On the positive side, although it does not help with the current drought restriction, the San Geronio Pass Water Agency (SGPWA) Board took action on a 20-year agreement with the City of Ventura to access 10,000 acre-feet (af) of their State Water Project (SWP) entitlement, he said.

There is a drought emergency, Jagers continued. He reminded the Board that the Governor has issued Executive Order N-7-22 and required the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) to take action by May 25, 2022 to preserve the state's surface and groundwater supplies and better prepare for the potential of continuing dry conditions for 2022 and 2023. The emergency regulations are expected to go into effect May 25 or June 1, he noted, and he detailed the requirements.

Staff has met with the SGPWA, and they have provided a consultant to address the situation as a region, Jagers advised. Local agencies are working together to come up with the best approach to achieving the per capita conservation goals, he said. Each urban water supplier is required to implement, at a minimum, the Water Shortage Contingency Plan (WSCP) section for a shortage Level 2 for demand reduction of up to 20 percent, Jagers explained.

BCVWD's WSCP has six steps, and to get to a 20 percent reduction requires Step 3, Jagers continued. Calls for voluntary conservation have not achieved the desired conservation level, and the SWRCB issued emergency regulations on January 4, 2022. State Water Contractors have been advised that it is a 5 percent allocation year for the SWP so there will not be much water coming in; and BCVWD relies on imported water to supply 65 to 70 percent of annual demand. For delivery in 2022, BCVWD ordered 10,300 af from the SGPWA but has extracted water from the Beaumont Basin storage account over the last year or two. It is time for action, Jagers emphasized.

The minimum action would be to bring the District to a position to ratify the current regulations and move into a WSCP Level 3 and begin messaging, Jagers advised. He said he expects more activity to come forward in May, but right now the proposal is to ratify the regulations from the SWRCB and prepare to take more radical action over the next month or so as the State continues to activate their response.

Swanson reminded that this situation has been on the agenda for the past couple of months and said the time is now to do something. The restrictions instituted by MWD were mentioned and Jagers noted that the District is currently running on its water supply storage account and has a three-year supply with no additional water coming in. If restrictions begin now as required by the State, supply will last longer.

Jaggers recommended entering the WSCP Level 3 water shortage, and cautioned that depending on the State's activities, be prepared to be more aggressive. The key is to get moving and begin messaging in real earnest to ratepayers, he said.

The SGPWA has also initiated a contract with public outreach consultant CV Strategies to assist with regional messaging, Jaggers explained.

Director Ramirez said he appreciated the fact that there is three years' worth of storage available and asked when the State would make an announcement. Swanson reiterated that the SWRCB is tasked with promulgating the rules by May 25 and said if no action was taken and current water demand continues, there is a minimum of three years of supply remaining in storage at consumption of 10,000 af per year. With conservation of 20 percent or more, that is stretched to a longer period of time, he said. Jaggers noted that a quarter of the storage supply has been used to get through the first year.

Ramirez asked how long it takes to recapture the water used and indicated he is leaning toward wait-and-see rather than being reactive. General Manager Jaggers reiterated the recommendation for declaration of Stage 3, and added that there is effort not to be punitive. Some things have been added that can be tightened as the State comes up with the rules, he said. Not yet understood are the fines if 20 percent conservation is not achieved, so staff is not yet recommending implementation of drought surcharges, Jaggers noted. He explained the Beaumont Basin storage and Watermaster policies and emphasized that does not mean the District wants its storage account drawn down to zero.

Jaggers presented a PowerPoint. He reviewed the Governor's drought proclamations and executive order and the requirements for submittal of a water supply and demand assessment by June 1, 2022, for implementation of a minimum 20 percent water shortage (equating to a BCVWD WSCP Shortage Level 3), and for adoption of the shortage response actions established by the SWRCB.

Director Covington asked if this would be a broad brush across the state again. Mr. Swanson referred to the WSCP. Jaggers added that since 2015, there have been approximately 2,500 homes added to the area, all of which are efficient, reducing the per capita use.

Jaggers and Swanson discussed non-functional turf, and advised that the District has a lot to prepare for and a community to serve.

Mr. Swanson reviewed water deliveries, storage account balance and production, and identified 37,217 af in total available water supply. The accounted-for water produced in 2021 was 13,295 af, Swanson reported. Jaggers explained the need to replenish the Beaumont Basin with an average of 10,500 af annually. From 2007 to 2021, the running average of SWP allocation has been 42 to 45 percent, Jaggers noted.

Related to a question from Director Ramirez, Jaggers explained that the way to get caught up with replenishment is via recycled water, and the water transfer deal with Ventura, he said. He discussed regional needs and solutions, and opportunities for imported water, noting the significance of the SGPWA's recent action. He also noted this demonstrates the need for the Sites Reservoir.

If this drought is two years long, Jaggers advised, there would be 15,000 to 20,000 af of supply remaining in storage, but if the drought continues for five years, the supply

in storage would dwindle to zero, and the rest of the State will also be in horrible condition.

Jaggers reiterated that in 2021, 8,116 af was pumped from the District's Beaumont Basin storage account. Swanson added that when imported water is again available, BCVWD will be one of the agencies wanting to put additional water away, as has been done in the past, but 8,000 af is a large amount to make up. Jaggers explained the hydraulic constraints related to importing water and the expectation of refilling all the reservoirs prior to water being available.

Jaggers returned to the proposed resolution and said it meets the requirements of the State's request and prepares the District for amendment for what comes next. Mr. Swanson reviewed past years' BCVWD actions. Jaggers reported that District legal counsel recommended doing what is necessary to meet the requirements from the SWRCB but holding off on the more stringent measures until the State reacts and there is more clarity.

Director Hoffman pointed out that as water sales are reduced, revenues will go down, but District expenses and budget will stay the same. It is difficult for people to recognize that while saving water, but will be charged more for the water used, he noted, and said the District will need to communicate and provide understanding. Mr. Swanson explained the drought surcharges component of the District's Rules and Regulations but noted they are not a part of the action at this time and would be forthcoming later.

*The Board recessed from 8:38 p.m. to 8:48 p.m.*

Mr. Swanson reviewed the State's conservation measures. He explained that the most effective conservation measure would be curtailment of irrigation. Director Covington pointed out that if watering days are limited, lawn owners may increase the amount of watering time on their allowable days, but it is hoped that in the spirit of conservation, that will not happen. Director Hoffman pointed out that cooperation of other public agencies could be sought, such as the school districts and parks. Swanson agreed, and said that conservation education is on paper, but it takes labor to initiate it and there must be a plan for how to execute.

Director Covington asked if letters would go out to inform about the regulations when adopted. Jaggers directed attention to the Resolution and Attachment A. Covington noted that the prohibitions on water waste enumerated in Section 1 have already been mandated by the State and the District should be enforcing them. Jaggers explained Section 1 correlates with the SWRCB January regulations, Section 2 adds elements from Resolution 2016-05 and will be needed to meet the State's final mandate, and Section 3 with fees and penalties adds enforcement. Swanson noted that Resolution 2016-05 provides for water shutoff after the third violation; Section 3 makes it a five-step process with consideration by the Board after a fifth violation.

Director Covington posited that without curtailing outside watering, he did not see how conservation would get to 20 or 30 percent; it is not realistic, as outdoor watering is the major consumption of domestic water. The only option is to limit the amount of drinking water that is used for irrigation purposes, he stated. He expressed support for the measures in Attachment A.



Director Ramirez pointed out that there are some people who have large properties and are being as efficient as possible. He said he understands, sees water waste in his division, and agreed that it needs to be limited and the District needs to work with its partners, but expressed concern about families with houses and backyards. He said a balance needs to be found. He stated that he is against penalizing residents with larger homes, and believes there is more achievable in working with the school district, the City, and other entities while communicating no water on driveways or sidewalks.

President Williams supported moving forward with the resolution as written. She said she did not think this was penalizing larger homes, it is more about unnecessary watering five days a week. She acknowledged that the State is not messaging the drought as well as previously. The District needs to be a step ahead, so it is not caught when the regulations come out, and messaging needs to begin. The Communications Committee needs to know what messaging to begin, she added.

Williams said she supported the five steps of enforcement and a slow process. People can be told not to water their driveways and sidewalks, but they will still do it unless there is a reason they shouldn't. The Board needs to set the example for conservation, she noted.

Director Ramirez asked about enforcement. Mr. Jagers pointed out that if this is passed today, it will take a month for the messaging to get out; the important point is to be able to start messaging. President Williams posited that the State could set the conservation target at 50 percent or any number, and the District is already behind.

In response to Director Ramirez, Jagers explained that Section 1 includes the mandates in the Governor's Executive Order, Section 2 includes the conservation measures that staff believes may achieve the required 20 percent reduction, and Section 3 provides the enforcement mechanisms.

Director Slawson said he appreciated the five-step enforcement process; it offers numerous chances to figure out any overwatering issues and to make changes. He indicated support for the resolution and agreed with President Williams that the situation could soon worsen. He said that he wished Stage 1 and Stage 2 would have been done a couple of months ago. Now it is going directly to Stage 3 which is urgent and needs to be done. Three months from now it may go to Stage 4, he noted.

Jagers pointed out that the Governor's prior declarations were voluntary conservation; this is the first mandatory reduction. Swanson reminded the Board of prior reports on the agenda and the changing weather and reservoir conditions. Director Ramirez said he had heard from General Manager Jagers that there were good numbers for imported water, supplies in storage, and recharge.

Director Ramirez requested the enforcement Section 3 allow for first and second violation without penalty, or lightening the penalties. President Williams pointed out that the first violation is not a penalty, it is a written notice. Director Slawson acknowledged Ramirez' suggestion but said the second violation is only 10 percent of the customer's water bill and is not much of a penalty.

President Williams asked whether the availability of the newly obtained water supply could preclude the need for the mandatory 20 percent reduction. Jagers explained that conservation measures will be necessary this year.

Jaggers discussed the implementation of the measures. There will need to be a grace period as communication gets out, and the activities are not without cost and effort. Director Covington acknowledged the District does not have the staff for enforcement and said the hope is for collaboration with the ratepayers. These are tools to promote conservation, he continued, and the most important thing is to get the message out. At the end of the day, there must be some consequences for those who don't care, he stated. Messaging through the Communications Committee, via billing, and working with the cities, HOAs and others is a heavy lift for staff, and this is the best that can be done on short notice, Covington noted.

Director Hoffman concurred and recommended moving forward immediately.

President Williams invited public comment. There was none.

*The Board adopted Resolution 2022-12 Authorizing the Implementation of a Stage 3 Water Shortage, adopting water use restrictions to protect the water system and the ratepayers of the District by the following roll-call vote:*

MOVED: Covington	SECONDED: Hoffman	APPROVED 4-0-1
AYES:	Covington, Hoffman, Slawson, Williams	
NOES:	None	
ABSTAIN:	Ramirez	
ABSENT:	None	

**6. Request for Extension of Water Service *Will Serve Letter* for Previously Approved Development (Tract 32850), located on the west side of Manzanita Park Road, northwest of the intersection of Seneca Springs Boulevard in the City of Beaumont**

Director of Engineering Mark Swanson reiterated the applicants are Mozafar Behzad, and Hamid and Rozita Roknian.

This project was brought back last in 2020 and consists of 95 homes on a 30-acre parcel, Swanson explained. He detailed the project history and indicated that the final map has been extended to March 2023. Richmond American Homes has provided a letter of interest in purchasing the property, he added. Mr. Spencer Anderson with Richmond American Homes and Mr. Roknian were present at the meeting, Swanson noted.

Mr. Swanson presented options for the Board including a 12-month extension of the Will-Serve Letter (WSL). After March 2023, the map expires and the project becomes defunct, Swanson explained. Potable and non-potable water plans have been submitted and are ready for construction, Swanson advised.

Mr. Jaggers acknowledged the Board's expressed concern about the SWRCB conservation mandates and reminded that four WSLs were tabled at the April 13 regular meeting in consideration of actions at the State level. He noted that those WSLs pertained to projects actively grading. This WSL is for a project reaching the end of its life, Jaggers pointed out. From a District perspective, there needs to be support of all activities, but also need to see what is going to happen at the State level.

All should be treated the same, Jagers posited, and suggested consultation with legal counsel.

Ms. Sharnay Gardner advised the Board that she has been hired by the applicant to bring the map to a position so that it is recordable, and work has been ongoing over the past several months with Richmond and the City to clear all conditions, and it is at 99 percent. All that is needed now is for the WSL to be extended. The City will not approve the map for recordation unless there is a WSL, she noted, and requested approval. She assured the Board that, in the past, those items that delayed the map process were not the fault of the owners but were things required by the City.

Richmond American has a construction schedule that begins in August and wants to move forward quickly. It is vitally important for approval tonight; if it is delayed it is very detrimental to the tract, Ms. Gardner noted.

Mr. Roknian reiterated the commitment to begin the project as quickly as possible to be able to present 95 new homes to the City and the people of Beaumont. He explained hindrance of progress and inefficiencies by environmental agencies and the City, and the impact of COVID-19. Plan check is 99 percent complete and only the WSL is remaining for city approval and recording the map, he said. He said groundbreaking would be started in August and construction on the first tract beginning in October.

Mr. Spencer Anderson of Richmond Homes reiterated the efforts to prepare the map for recordation and added that the project is fully prepared to begin work, with development complete by March 2023 and first home closings in October 2023.

Director Covington pointed out that with construction start in August, the existing SWRCB mandates may not allow use of construction water. It is unknown what the State will tell the District must be done, and at the April 13 meeting encountered a stalemate on other WSL extensions. He noted that BCVWD has always worked with developers and indicated understanding that it is not a large tract, but said he is nervous about extending WSLs until after SWRCB decisions expected on May 25, and recommended tabling the item.

Ms. Gardner reiterated that the WSL would allow the map to move forward with City approval. It has been moving through the process for 10 to 15 years and the map is set to expire in March, she said. It is crucial to get the WSL, she stated.

No one knows what will happen between now and August, Gardner continued, hopefully there will be rain, or perhaps the contractor can bring in water from other areas. She reminded that this WSL has previously been issued and this is an extension. Mr. Jagers asked for clarification on the status of the map still being in plan check. Ms. Gardner stated the plans have been approved with a couple of minor exceptions including a storm drain to be moved, and engineering is being done then will need to go back one more time for that change.

President Williams said she understood the desire to move forward but there are still minor things with plan check before map recordation. She supported tabling the item and revisiting all WSLs at the same time after finding out what is happening with the State.

Ms. Gardner asked about the next meeting date. Mr. Jaggars noted an Engineering Workshop on May 26 where the State's action will be discussed, and a regular meeting on June 8.

*Due to technical difficulties, the meeting was stopped at 9:54 p.m. and resumed at 10:02 p.m.*

Ms. Gardner requested a statement that the District is not objectionable to issuing the WSL extension. Director Covington indicated that the history of BCVWD with the development community has indicated working hand-in-hand and in his tenure, a WSL has never been declined. This is just a bad spot right now, he opined. The District has to hold the same position and must remain fair across the board. President Williams added there is no opposition.

Director Slawson referred to the WSCP and pointed out that consideration of construction water does not cease until Stage 5. At that time, the Board should consider whether water is to be imported from somewhere else using trucks. The WSCP also includes not considering WSLs until Stage 6. He reminded that he disagreed with the continuation of the WSL item on April 13 and stated the Board should continue to give WSLs until Stage 6.

*The Board tabled the item by the following roll-call vote:*

MOVED: Covington	SECONDED: Hoffman	APPROVED 4-1
AYES:	Covington, Hoffman, Ramirez, Williams	
NOES:	Slawson	
ABSTAIN:	None	
ABSENT:	None	

**7. Status of Local Emergency regarding the Impact of the Respiratory Illness Pandemic COVID-19 pursuant to Resolution 2020-07**

General Manager Jaggars said he was pleased with the reduction of case numbers, but they are increasing again. Over the past couple of months, no staff members have had exposure.

**8. Status of Local Emergencies related to Fires**  
**a. Impact of the Apple Fire pursuant to Resolution 2020-17**  
**b. Impact of the El Dorado Fire pursuant to Resolution 2020-20**

General Manager Jaggars stated there was nothing to report.

**9. Reports for Discussion**

**a. Directors' Reports:**

Tabled to the next meeting.

b. Director General Comments:

Director Covington requested an update on the Master Drainage Line 16 project at the next meeting. He noted that when there are problems on the jobsite, customers are coming to the District.

Covington also requested discussion of prioritization of projects in the CIP and potential for use of an outside consultant in order to move projects forward.

c. General Manager's Report

Mr. Jagers reported that the City of Beaumont has invited the District and others to the Council meeting on Tuesday at 6 p.m. for a report and update on recycled water.

Work is progressing on MDP Line 16, he added.

d. Legal Counsel Report: None.

## 10. Announcements


*President Williams read the following announcements:*

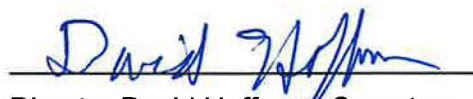
- Finance and Audit Committee Meeting: Thursday, May 5, 2022 at 3 p.m.
- Ad Hoc Communications Committee: Monday, May 9 at 6 p.m.
- Regular Board Meeting: Wednesday, May 11, 2022 at 6 p.m.
- Personnel Committee Meeting: Tuesday, May 17, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.
- Bay-Delta Water Tour on May 18, 19 and 20
- Engineering Workshop: Thursday, May 26, 2022 at 6 p.m.
- San Gorgonio Pass Regional Water Alliance: Wednesday, May 25, 2022 at 5 p.m.
- Beaumont Basin Watermaster Committee: Wednesday, Jun. 1, 2022 at 11 a.m.
- Finance and Audit Committee Meeting: Thursday, June 2, 2022 at 3 p.m.

## 11. Adjournment

*President Williams adjourned the meeting at 10:15 p.m.*

ATTEST:

  
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Director Lona Williams, President  
to the Board of Directors of the  
Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District

  
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Director David Hoffman, Secretary  
to the Board of Directors of the  
Beaumont-Cherry Valley Water District