



CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

# MINUTES

## REGULAR MEETING

**MONDAY, August 18, 2025**  
**11:00 AM**

(Paragraph numbers coincide with agenda item numbers)

### 1. CALL TO ORDER:

A regular meeting of the Santa Clara Valley Water District (Valley Water) Capital Improvement Committee (Committee) was called to order in the Valley Water Headquarters Building Boardroom at 5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, California, and by Zoom teleconference, at 11:01 a.m.

#### 1.1 Roll Call.

Committee members in attendance were District 4 Director Jim Beall, District 6 Director Tony Estremera, Vice Chairperson, and District 5 Director Nai Hsueh, Chairperson presiding, constituting a quorum of the Committee.

Staff members in attendance were: Gina Adriano, Huggen Angeles, Jessica Ariani, Aaron Baker, Erin Baker, Lisa Bankosh, Audrey Beaman, Sarah Berning, Mark Bilski, James Bohan, John Bourgeois, Rita Chan, Barton Ching, Theresa Chinte, Jen Codianne, Jessica Collins, Jiana Escobar, Bal Ganjoo, Andrew Garcia, Rachael Gibson, Vince Gin, Samantha Greene, Lori Gregory, Jaeho Hahn, Chris Hakes, Linh Hoang, Cody Houston, Candice Kwok-Smith, Linn Latt, Cecil Lawson, Dave Leon, Jennifer Martin, Ryan McCarter, Katie Muller, Isabella Munoz, Tony Ndah, Karl Neuman, Julianne O'Brien, Carlos Orellana, Max Overland, Samantha Pe-Wong, Luz Penilla, Alison Phagan, Don Rocha, Amandeep Saini, Arthur Saye, Stephanie Simunic, Kirsten Struve, Darin Taylor, Odilia Teixeira, Dorothy Tsou, Jose Villarreal, Bhavani Yerrapotu,

and Tina Yoke.

Public in attendance were: XXX-XXX-5815, Rebecca Eisenberg, Rick, and SJ.

## **2. TIME OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY ITEM NOT ON THE AGENDA:**

Chairperson Hsueh declared time open for public comment on any item not on the agenda. There was no one who wished to speak.

## **3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

3.1. Approval of July 31, 2025 Capital Improvement Program Committee Meeting Minutes.

Recommendation: Approve the minutes.

Public Comments: None.

It was moved by Vice Chairperson Estremera and seconded by Director Beall, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes as submitted.

## **Regular Agenda:**

4.1. Receive and Discuss Information Regarding the Status of Capital Projects in the Feasibility and Planning Phase.

Recommendation:

Receive and discuss information regarding the status of capital projects in the feasibility and planning phase.

Ryan McCarter, Kirsten Struve, Luz Penilla, Emmanuel Aryee, Bhavani Yerrapotu, Lisa Bankosh, and Tony Ndah reviewed the information on this item, per the attached Committee Agenda Memo, and the corresponding presentation materials contained in Attachment 1 were reviewed by staff per the row and Deputy's initials as follows: Ryan McCarter reviewed rows marked RM, Kirsten Struve reviewed rows marked KS, Luz Penilla reviewed rows marked LP, Emmanuel Aryee reviewed rows marked EA, Bhavani Yerrapotu reviewed rows marked BY and CH, Lisa Bankosh reviewed rows marked LB, and Tony Ndah reviewed rows marked TN. Ryan McCarter, Kirsten Struve, Luz Penilla, Emmanuel Aryee, Bhavani Yerrapotu, Lisa Bankosh, Tony Ndah, and Aaron Baker were available to answer questions.

Public Comments: None.

The Committee received the information, took no formal action, and requested that staff provide a report separate from the seismic stability evaluations relating to drainage and the capacity to increase water

retention. Chairperson Hsueh further noted that she will work with staff to agendaize additional discussion of projects in the Feasibility and Planning phase.

4.2. Receive and Discuss Information Regarding the Status of Capital Projects in the Design and Permitting Phase.

Recommendation: Receive and discuss information regarding the status of capital projects in the design and permitting phase.

Emmanuel Aryee, Ryan McCarter, Bhavani Yerrapotu, Lisa Bankosh, and Tony Ndah reviewed the information on this item, per the attached Committee Agenda Memo, and the corresponding presentation materials contained in Attachment 1 were reviewed by staff per the row and Deputy's initials as follows: Emmanuel Aryee reviewed rows marked EA, Ryan McCarter reviewed rows marked RM, Bhavani Yerrapotu reviewed rows marked BY, Lisa Bankosh reviewed rows marked LB, and Tony Ndah reviewed rows marked TN. Emmanuel Aryee, Ryan McCarter, Bhavani Yerrapotu, Lisa Bankosh, Tony Ndah, and Aaron Baker were available to answer questions.

Public Comments: None.

Discussion ensued relating to resuming the work and modifications to the spillway on the Almaden Dam Improvement Project, whether the City of San Jose has any interest in constructing a bridge as part of the Julian Street erosion repair project, and possible disposal of and jurisdiction of the Los Alamitos Canal.

The Committee received the information and took no formal action.

4.3. Receive Information on Upcoming Consultant Agreement Amendments for Capital Projects.

Recommendation: Receive information on upcoming consultant agreement amendments for capital projects.

Bhavani Yerrapotu reviewed the information on this item, per the attached Committee Agenda Memo, and was available to answer questions.

Public comments: None.

Without discussion, the Committee received the information and took no formal action.

4.4. Receive Information on Change Orders to Anderson Dam Tunnel Project Construction Contract.

Recommendation: Receive information on Change Orders to Anderson Dam Tunnel Project Construction Contract.

Ryan MacCarter reviewed the information on this item, per the attached Committee Agenda Memo, and the corresponding presentation materials contained in Attachments 1 and 2 and was available to answer questions.

Public Comments: None.

Without discussion, the Committee received the information and took no formal action.

4.5. Review 2025 Capital Improvement Program Committee Work Plan.

Recommendation: Review the 2025 Capital Improvement Program Committee Work Plan and make adjustments as necessary.

The Committee considered this item without a staff presentation.

Public Comments: None.

Without discussion, the Committee received the information and took no formal action.

**5. CLERK REVIEW AND CLARIFICATION OF COMMITTEE REQUESTS:**

*This is an opportunity for the Clerk to review and obtain clarification on any formally moved, seconded, and approved requests and recommendations made by the Committee during the meeting.*

The Committee took no action.

**6. ADJOURN:**

6.1. Adjourn.

Chairperson Hsueh adjourned the meeting at 12:01 p.m.

Dave Leon  
Assistant Deputy Clerk II

Date Approved: September 29, 2025