



CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

# MINUTES

## REGULAR MEETING

**MONDAY, March 16, 2026**

**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 11:00 a.m.

#### 1.1 Roll Call.

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

Staff members in attendance were: Emmanuel Aryee, Aaron Baker, Erin Baker, Lisa Bankosh, Sarah Berning, James Bohan, Barton Ching, Jen Codianne, Jessica Collins, Enrique De Anda, Andrew Garcia, Samantha Greene, Chris Hakes, Wendy Ho, Cody Houston, Candice Kwok-Smith, Cecil Lawson, Dave Leon, Ryan McCarter, Carmen Narayanan, Tony Ndah, Julianne O'Brien, Carlos Orellana, Luz Penilla, Alison Phagan, Amandeep Saini, Miguel Silva, Darin Taylor, Bhavani Yerrapotu, and Tina Yoke.

Public in attendance were: Director Richard Santos, District 3.

## **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 January 26, 2026 Capital Improvement Program Committee Meeting Minutes.

Recommendation: Approve the minutes.

Public Comments: None.

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

## **4. REGULAR AGENDA:**

- 4.1. Receive an update on the Water Treatment Plant Master Plan Implementation Project (Project No. 93044001).

Recommendation: Receive an update on the Water Treatment Plant Master Plan Implementation Project (Project No. 93044001).

James Bohan, Barton Ching, and Miguel Silva reviewed the information on this item, per the attached Committee Agenda Memo, and the corresponding presentation materials contained in Attachment 1, and were available to answer questions.

Public Comments: None.

Discussion ensued relating to funding sources including water rates and grants, and the number of solutions included in the Santa Teresa Water Treatment Plant Project.

The Committee received the information, took no formal action, and requested that staff provide a presentation to the Committee relating to financing strategies for water treatment plant projects.

- 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, Andrew Garcia, 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, Andrew Garcia reviewed rows marked AG, 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, Andrew Garcia, Ryan McCarter, Bhavani Yerrapotu, Lisa Bankosh, and Tony Ndah were available to answer questions.

Discussion ensued relating to a Building Trades Council tour of the Anderson Dam Project site, and the amount of railroad track affected by the Alviso Slough to Coyote Creek Project.

The Committee received the information and took no formal action.

4.3. Receive and Discuss Information Regarding the Status of Capital Projects in the Construction Phase.

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

Emmanuel Aryee, Ryan McCarter, Bhavani Yerrapotu, Cecil Lawson, 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, Cecil Lawson reviewed rows marked CL, and Tony Ndah reviewed rows marked TN. Emmanuel Aryee, Ryan McCarter, Bhavani Yerrapotu, Cecil Lawson, and Tony Ndah were 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 McCarter 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. Receive Information on Upcoming Consultant Agreement Amendments for Capital Projects.

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

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

Discussion ensued relating to time-only extended amendments on construction contracts and annual renewals to monitor the performance of contracted vendors.

The Committee received the information and took no formal action.

4.6. Review 2026 Capital Improvement Program Committee Work Plan.

Recommendation:

Review and approve the 2026 Capital Improvement Program Committee Work Plan and make adjustments as necessary.

The Committee considered this item without a staff presentation.

Public Comments: None.

Chairperson Hsueh requested an edit to the language of the Coyote Creek Chillers Project item and further requested that staff schedule the Upper Guadalupe River implementation strategies item for the April Committee meeting. She then noted that she will collaborate with staff relating to scheduling the Ogier Ponds Planning Study Report and the Calabazas/San Tomas Aquino Creek Staff Recommended Alternative item.

**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 12:15 p.m.

Dave Leon  
Assistant Deputy Clerk II

Date Approved:

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