



**FORT ORD REUSE AUTHORITY
WATER/WASTEWATER OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, April 30, 2014 | FORA Conference Room
920 2nd Avenue, Suite A, Marina CA 93933

1. CALL TO ORDER

Co-Chair Dawson called the meeting to order at 8:24 a.m. The following were present:

Committee Members:

Daniel Dawson, City of DRO
Mike Lerch, CSUMB
Rick Reidl, City of Seaside
Graham Bice, UCMBEST
Tim O'Halloran, City of Seaside
Dirk Medema, Monterey County

Others Present:

Brian Lee, MCWD
Patrick Breen, MCWD
Kelly Cadiente, MCWD
Bob Schaffer
Wendy Elliot, MCP
Pierce Rossum, Carollo
Doug Yount, ADE
Jim Fletcher, East Garrison

FORA Staff:

Steve Endsley
Crissy Maras
Jonathan Garcia

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE

None.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

None.

4. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

a. April 2, 2014 Joint Administrative/WWOC Meeting Minutes

The April 2, 2014 Joint Administrative/WWOC meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

5. OLD BUSINESS

a. FY 2014/15 Ord Community Budget – Recommendation to FORA Board

Marina Coast Water District (MCWD) Interim General Manager Brian Lee noted that some adjustments had been made to the budget to address committee member concerns, a MCWD Board request to add information explaining how costs are split among the various cost centers and updated water services numbers and revenue to reflect the 14/15 proposed rates.

The committee discussed flat rates and unmetered accounts, existing surcharges and proposed capacity charges, and the FORA “voluntary contribution.” FORA Assistant Executive Officer Steve Endsley suggested a slide explaining the relationship of the MCWD capacity charge to the FORA “voluntary contribution.” He noted that FORA staff will work with MCWD staff to ensure that the capital improvement programs are calibrated with each other and that the FORA development fee and MCWD budget are properly timed for Board approval so that there are no double-charges in either fee.

Committee members suggested explaining the history of past proposed rate increases with what was actually approved and outlining what capital (or other) projects could not be completed due to any denied rate increases. The Committee also noted they would like MCWD staff and consultants to provide clear justification for any proposed rate increases.

Mr. Lee noted that the District's Prop 218 hearing would be held May 19th. The Prop 218 process covers a five year period of rate increases.

The Committee suggested that joint FORA/MCWD Board meetings be held to receive presentations on the Carollo rate study, by Carollo staff, and the Ord Community budget, by MCWD staff. These meetings would likely occur in May and June to allow budget adoption by July 1st. Several ideas to gain Board approval were discussed. Pierce Rossum, Carollo Engineers, requested that any additional questions or concerns be clearly stated so they could be addressed. One additional question regarding how rate study line items correlate to budget line items was raised.

Mike Lerch, CSUMB, made a motion to recommend approval of the Ord Community budget to the FORA Board but with a limited revenue increase of \$150,000 for water and \$45,000 for wastewater. He distributed a memo outlining his motion. The motion did not receive a second, and failed.

Tim O'Halloran, City of Seaside, made a motion to bring back the CSUMB concept for future consideration, that the draft Carollo, MCWD and FORA presentations be provided for a May 7th WWOC meeting, and that the Ord Community budget be updated to reflect comments made and return for recommendation on May 7th. Graham Bice, UCMBEST, seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously.

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. MCWD Quarterly Report

The Quarterly Report was not reviewed and will be provided at a future meeting.

b. Schedule Water Augmentation Alternatives Presentation to FORA Board

A draft presentation will be made at the May 7th meeting. The presentation can be made to the FORA Board after the FORA Capital Improvement Program and budget process has been completed.

7. NEXT MEETING – May 14, 2014 (If necessary)

The next WWOC meeting was scheduled for May 7, 2014, immediately following the Administrative Committee meeting.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Co-Chair Dawson adjourned the meeting at 11:05 a.m.

Minutes prepared by Crissy Maras, Grants and Contracts Coordinator