

EAST BAY DISCHARGERS AUTHORITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

May 20, 2021

1. Call to Order

Chair Johnson called the telephonic meeting to order pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order N-25-20 at 9:35 A.M. on Thursday, May 20, 2021. Dial-in information for the meeting was provided in the agenda for public attendees.

2. Pledge of Allegiance – Deferred

3. Roll Call

Present:	Jennifer Toy	Union Sanitary District
	Rita Duncan	Oro Loma Sanitary District
	Pauline Russo Cutter	City of San Leandro
	Sara Lamnin	City of Hayward
	Ralph Johnson	Castro Valley Sanitary District

Absent: None

Attendees:	Jacqueline Zipkin	East Bay Dischargers Authority
	Howard Cin	East Bay Dischargers Authority
	Juanita Villasenor	East Bay Dischargers Authority
	Eric Casher	Legal Counsel East Bay Dischargers Authority
	Anjali Lathi	Union Sanitary District
	Paul Eldredge	Union Sanitary District
	Jason Warner	Oro Loma Sanitary District
	Justin Jenson	City of San Leandro
	Angela Andrews	City of Hayward
	Alex Ameri	City of Hayward
	David Donovan	City of Hayward
	Roland Williams	Castro Valley Sanitary District
	Charles Weir	Livermore-Amador Valley Water Management Agency
	Alexandra Barnhill	Livermore-Amador Valley Water Management Agency
	Steve Aguiar	City of Livermore

4. Public Forum

No members of the public requested to address the Commission.

CONSENT CALENDAR

5. Commission Meeting Minutes of April 15, 2021

6. List of Disbursements for April 2021

7. Treasurer's Report for April 2021

8. Third Quarter Expense Summary, Fiscal Year 2020/2021

Commissioner Toy moved to approve the consent calendar. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Duncan and carried unanimously 5-0, by roll call vote.

Ayes:	Commissioners Toy, Duncan, Cutter, Lamnin, Chair Johnson
Noes:	None
Absent:	None
Abstain:	None

REGULAR CALENDAR

9. General Manager's Report

The General Manager (GM) reported on a recent support letter for the City of San Leandro to appeal for federal funding of stormwater trash capture devices. The GM expressed EBDA's willingness to collaborate with member agencies and provide support where appropriate. The GM advised of statewide efforts for proposed funding in water and climate adaptation in the state budget. The GM then advised that the State is moving forward with its climate goal of transitioning to zero-emission vehicles. The GM noted that, while the electrification of vehicles is beneficial for the environment, it is impractical for heavy duty fleet vehicles. Wastewater associations including CASA are raising this issue to the attention of California Air Resources Board staff. Lastly, the GM suggested that the Commission discuss the FY 2021/2022 Calendar and in-person meetings under Item 20.

10. Report from the Managers Advisory Committee (MAC)

The GM reported that the MAC continued the discussion on biosolids management with a focus on land acquisition.

11. Report from the LAVWMA Ad Hoc Committee

The GM reported that the LAVWMA Board unanimously approved the Amended and Restated Master Agreement on May 18. Staff noted a correction to the last paragraph of Exhibit B of the Agreement. The word "quarterly" will be removed from the final sentence.

12. Resolution to Approve the Amended and Restated Master Agreement to Provide Sewer System Discharge Services Between East Bay Dischargers Authority and Livermore-Amador Valley Water Management Agency

Commissioner Lamnin moved to adopt the resolution with the noted edit to the last paragraph of Exhibit B. The resolution was seconded by Commissioner Cutter and carried unanimously, 5-0 by roll call vote.

Ayes: Commissioners Toy, Duncan, Cutter, Lamnin, Chair Johnson
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

13. Resolution to Approve the Agreement Between EBDA and the Dublin San Ramon Services District Regarding the Discharge of Brine from the Zone 7 Water Agency

Commissioner Cutter moved to adopt the resolution. The resolution was seconded by Commissioner Toy and carried unanimously, 5-0 by roll call vote.

Ayes: Commissioners Toy, Duncan, Cutter, Lamnin, Chair Johnson
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

14. Report from the Financial Management Committee

The GM reported on the Financial Management Committee, which met on May 18, 2021, noting the Committee's review of the List of Disbursements, Treasurer's Report, and Third Quarter Expense report. The Committee discussed reserve policy options and recommends a hybrid approach. Staff will develop policy language for the Commission to review. The Committee reviewed the proposed recycled water rate and the Fiscal Year 2021/2022 Budget and recommended approval.

15. Motion Authorizing the General Manager to Bill the City of Hayward \$9000 per Quarter for Recycled Water Use from October 2020 through June 2021 and Setting the City of Hayward Recycled Water Fee for FY 2021/2022 at \$9000 per Quarter

Commissioner Toy moved to approve the item. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cutter and carried unanimously 5-0, by roll call vote.

Ayes: Commissioners Toy, Duncan, Cutter, Lamnin, Chair Johnson
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

16. Resolution Adopting the East Bay Dischargers Authority's Fiscal Year 2021/2022 Budget

Commissioner Cutter moved to adopt the resolution. The resolution was seconded by Commissioner Duncan and carried unanimously, 5-0 by roll call vote.

Ayes: Commissioners Toy, Duncan, Cutter, Lamnin, Chair Johnson
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

17. Report from the Operations and Maintenance Committee

The O&M Manager reported on the Operations and Maintenance Committee, which met on May 18, 2021, and discussed the status of EBDA facilities. The O&M Manager reviewed NPDES compliance data and provided an overview of current projects. A PG&E shutdown is scheduled for the OLEPS Electrical System Upgrade Project on June 3. The O&M Manager thanked the City of Hayward Utilities Division for their work on a Skywest pond valve and USD staff for facilitating a shutdown for the Cargill project.

The GM provided updates on COVID-19 operations, including growing interest in wastewater-based epidemiology for public health beyond COVID-19, and on the Advanced Quantitative Precipitation Information (AQPI) Project, which will begin construction on the East Bay radar in July. The GM then provided updates on the Cargill brine project, including the recent core sampling inspection and the corrosion mitigation alternatives evaluation. The O&M Manager reviewed the draft list of Renewal and Replacement Fund projects for FY 2021/2022.

18. Report from the Regulatory Affairs Committee

The GM reported on the Regulatory Affairs Committee, which met on May 19, 2021, and discussed the reporting checklist and Nutrients Watershed Permit.

19. Resolution Adopting the Authority's Fiscal Year 2021/2022 Compensation Plan

Commissioner Cutter moved to adopt the resolution. The resolution was seconded by Commissioner Duncan and carried unanimously, 5-0 by roll call vote.

Ayes: Commissioners Toy, Duncan, Cutter, Lamnin, Chair Johnson
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

20. Committee Preference Form for Fiscal Year 2021/2022

The GM asked Commissioners to complete the Committee Preference form for the upcoming fiscal year. The Commission will be on hiatus for the month of August. Additionally, the Commission agreed to resume in-person meetings in September. If permissible, the Committees will continue to meet via video-conference.

21. Memorial for Bruce Wolfe

The GM advised the Commission that Mr. Bruce Wolfe supported advancing females in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics), and his family suggested a memorial related to that cause. The Commission discussed funding a scholarship in his name that stipulates the recipient must be a female resident of the EBDA service area. Staff was directed to explore funding opportunities of the following programs: CASA Education Fund, Housing Authority of Alameda County, and American Association of University Women.

22. Items from Commission and Staff

Commissioner Duncan thanked staff for their work. Commissioner Lamnin asked that EBDA collaborate with regional agencies when considering land acquisition.

23. Adjournment

Chair Johnson adjourned the meeting at 11:21 A.M.



Jacqueline Zipkin
General Manager