



EXHIBIT 1-B

**Draft Minutes
Special Meeting
Workshop on Proposed FY 2023-24 Budget
Board of Directors
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District
Thursday, May 25, 2023**

Meeting Location: District Office, Main Conference Room
5 Harris Court, Building G, Monterey, CA 93940 AND
Conducted Via Teleconferencing Means - Zoom

Chair Adams called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Directors Present

Mary L. Adams, Chair – Monterey County Board of Supervisors Representative
Amy Anderson, Vice Chair – Division 4
Alvin Edwards – Division 1
George T. Riley – Division 2
Marc A. Eisenhart – Division 3
Karen Paull – Division 4
Ian Oglesby – Mayoral Representative

ROLL CALL

Directors Absent: None

District Staff Present:

David J. Stoldt, General Manager
Suresh Prasad, Administrative Services Manager/CFO
Stephanie Locke, Water Demand Manager
Jonathan Lear, Water Resources Manager
Thomas Christensen, Environmental Resources Manager
Maureen Hamilton, District Engineer
Joel G. Pablo, Executive Assistant- Board Clerk
Sara Reyes, Sr. Office Specialist

District Counsel Present: David C. Laredo (*appeared in-person*); Fran Farina (*appeared via Zoom*) with De Lay and Laredo; and Michael D. Laredo (*appeared via Zoom*)

Suresh Prasad, Administrative Services Manager/CFO led the Pledge of Allegiance. The assembly recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

None

ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA

ACTION ITEMS

David J. Stoldt, General Manager provided an overview of

1. Consider Approval of Contract

his Staff Report and answered Board questions.

Chair Adams opened public comment; *no comments were directed to the Board.*

A motion was made by Director Edwards with a second by Director Paull to approve a contract with Rincon Consultants in the amount of \$26,401, plus a contingency of approximately 10% for a total not to exceed \$29,000 for environmental services related to the District Water Allocation Process. The motion passed by voice vote of 7-Ayes (Edwards, Riley, Eisenhart, Paull, Anderson, Adams and Oglesby), 0-Noes and 0-Abstain.

Suresh Prasad, Administrative Services Manager/Chief Financial Officer provided an overview of his Staff Report and answered Board questions.

Chair Adams opened public comment; *no comments were directed to the Board.*

A motion was made by Director Paull with a second by Director Riley to approve an expenditure of funds in the amount of \$2,140,000 to pay-off the Mechanics Bank loan. The motion passed by voice vote of 7-Ayes (Edwards, Riley, Eisenhart, Paull, Anderson, Adams and Oglesby), 0-Noes and 0-Abstain.

Suresh Prasad, Administrative Services Manager/CFO presented via MS PowerPoint presentation entitled, “Discussion Item 3: Review Proposed MPWMD Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget” and answered board questions. *A copy of the presentation is available on the District website and at the District office upon request.* After Board deliberation and by consensus provided general direction to staff to: (1) Increase the Flood/Drought Reserve from \$328,944 to \$500,000; (2) Increase Legal Expenses from \$400,000 to \$600,000; and (3) Revise the Transmittal Letter found in the Draft Budget Book.

Chair Adams opened public comment; *no comments were directed to the Board.*

There being no further business, Chair Adams adjourned the meeting at 7:53 p.m.

with Rincon Consultants for Environmental Consulting Services for Future District Water Allocation Process

- 2. Consider Approval of Expenditure of Funds to Pay-Off the Remaining Balance of the Mechanics Bank Loan**

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 3. Review Proposed MPWMD Fiscal Year 2023-24 Budget and Resolution 2023-07**

ADJOURNMENT

Joel G. Pablo, Deputy District Secretary

Minutes Approved by the MPWMD Board of Directors on Monday, June __, 2023