MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING – AUGUST 10, 2026

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Irvine Ranch Water District (IRWD) was called to order by President LaMar at 5:00 p.m. on August 10, 2026 at the District offices, 15600 Sand Canyon Avenue, Irvine.

Directors Present: Reinhart, Swan, Ferons and President LaMar.

Directors Absent: None.

Written Communications: An email from Geoff Thomas of Anderson Air Conditioning requesting the Board to pull item ten from the Consent Calendar to the Action Calendar.

Oral Communications: Nikki Nguyen, Irvine resident of 61 Diamante, addressed the Board regarding the District's maintenance of the former Perez Reservoir site.

Items too late to be agendized: None.

Also Present: General Manager Cook, Executive Director of Technical Services Burton, Executive Director of Operations Chambers, Executive Director of Finance and Administration Adly, Executive Director of Water Policy Weghorst, Director of Strategic Communications & Advocacy / Deputy General Counsel Compton, Director of Human Resources Mitcham, Director of Water & Recycling Operations Zepeda, Director of Maintenance Manning, Director of Financial Planning and Data Analytics Smithson, Director of Accounting Lin, Treasury Manager Davis, Director of Water Quality & Regulatory Compliance Colston, Director of Information Technology Kaneshiro, Controller Thompson, General Counsel Collins, Secretary Swan, members of the staff, and public.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Director Swan requested that Item Five be moved to the Action Calendar.

On MOTION by Swan, seconded by Reinhart, unanimously carried, ITEM FIVE WAS MOVED TO THE ACTION CALENDAR, AND CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS FOUR, AND SIX THROUGH TEN WERE APPROVED AS FOLLOWS:

4. BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Recommendation: That the minutes of the July 13, 2026 Regular Board of Directors meeting be approved as presented.

6. GUIDING PRINCIPLES SCORECARD

Recommendation: Receive and file.

7. RADIO TOWER IMPROVEMENTS FINAL ACCEPTANCE

Recommendation: That the Board accept construction of the Radio Tower Improvements, authorize the General Manager to file a Notice of Completion, and authorize the payment of the retention 35 days after the date of recording the Notice of Completion for Projects 11154, 11156, and 11157.

CONSENT CALENDAR (CONTINUED)

8. RENEWAL OF GROUP MEDICAL, DENTAL, VISION, AND ANCILLARY PLAN SERVICES FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2027

Recommendation: That the Board authorize the continuation of IRWD's health insurance coverage with CalPERS with changes in District and employee contribution rates as outlined in Exhibit "A", authorize the continuation of the District's dental insurance coverage with Delta Dental, authorize the continuation of the District's vision insurance coverage with EyeMed, authorize the renewal of the District's Employee Assistance Program with REACH, authorize the Term Life, Accidental Death and Dismemberment, Long-term Disability and Employee Assistance Program coverage with Reliance Standard, and authorize the continuation of the Flexible Spending Account, Lifestyle Savings Account, Health Reimbursement Arrangement, COBRA and Commuter Benefits administrator Inspira Financial.

9. TURTLE ROCK ROCKY KNOLL RECYCLED WATER PIPELINE REPLACEMENT FINAL ACCEPTANCE

Recommendation: That the Board accept construction of Turtle Rock Rocky Knoll Recycled Water Pipeline Replacement, authorize the General Manager to file a Notice of Completion, and authorize the payment of the retention 35 days after the date of recording the Notice of Completion for Project 13162.

10. SAND CANYON HEADQUARTERS AND OPERATIONS CENTER HVAC UPGRADES BID REJECTION

Recommendation: That the Board reject the received bids and authorize staff to re-bid the Sand Canyon Headquarters and Operations Center HVAC upgrades, Project Nos. 12550 and 12551.

ACTION CALENDAR

5. JUNE 2026 TREASURY REPORT

Director Swan expressed his concerns and opinions regarding the District's investments. Following comments from the Board, on MOTION by Ferons, and seconded by Reinhart, and unanimously carried, the BOARD RECEIVED AND FILED THE TREASURER'S INVESTMENT SUMMARY REPORT, THE SUMMARY OF FIXED AND VARIABLE RATE DEBT, AND THE DISCLOSURE REPORT OF REIMBURSEMENTS TO BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF, APPROVED THE JUNE 2026 SUMMARY OF PAYROLL ACH PAYMENTS IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF $2,974,285 AND APPROVED THE JUNE 2026 ACCOUNTS PAYABLE DISBURSEMENT SUMMARY OF WARRANTS 455546 THROUGH 456107, WORKERS' COMPENSATION DISTRIBUTIONS, ACH PAYMENTS, WIRE TRANSFERS, PAYROLL WITHHOLDING DISTRIBUTIONS, AND VOIDED CHECKS IN THE NET TOTAL AMOUNT OF $22,676,818.

11. IRVINE BUSINESS COMPLEX PHASE 3 APPURTENANCE RELOCATIONS BUDGET INCREASE AND CONSTRUCTION AWARD

Executive Director of Technical Services Burton reported to the Board the City of Irvine's intent to construct sidewalks in the Irvine Business Complex, requiring the District's relocation of IRWD meters, fire hydrants, and backflow devices that conflict with the City's project. One bid was initially received in January, and the Board rejected the bid. The project was re-bid to increase the contractor participation. Three bids were received, with the low bidder exceeding the engineer's estimate by 15%.

Following questions from the Board, on MOTION by Reinhart, seconded by Ferons and unanimously carried, the BOARD AUTHORIZED A BUDGET INCREASE IN THE AMOUNT OF $605,500, FROM $1,028,000 TO $1,633,500, FOR PROJECT 12827 AND AUTHORIZED THE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT WITH T.E. ROBERTS, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF $1,249,450 FOR THE IRVINE BUSINESS COMPLEX PHASE 3 APPURTENANCE RELOCATIONS, PROJECT 12827.

12. RELOCATION OF 36-INCH RECYCLED WATER PIPELINE AT I-5 SEGMENT 2 AND CULVER DRIVE CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER AND BUDGET INCREASE

Executive Director of Technical Services Burton stated that a change order and budget increase were needed for the relocation of the 36-inch Recycled Water Pipeline at the Interstate 5 and Culver Drive to accommodate the City of Irvine's encroachment permit changes from eight hours at night to six hours during the day, extending the project by 17 calendar days. This change also would affect the approach for the shutdown and dewatering of the recycled water pipeline. A revised shutdown plan has been established to shorten the duration of the shutdown, reduce the number of customers affected, and minimize the volume of water loss.

Following discussion from staff and the Board, on MOTION by Reinhart, seconded by Ferons and unanimously carried, the BOARD APPROVED CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER NO. 3 TO PROJECT 13204 IN THE AMOUNT OF $475,260 FOR ADDITIONAL WORKING DAYS ASSOCIATED WITH THE CITY OF IRVINE ENCROACHMENT PERMIT ISSUANCE REDUCING WORK HOURS AND THE INSTALLATION OF TEMPORARY LINE STOPS, AND AUTHORIZED A BUDGET INCREASE FOR PROJECT 13204 IN THE AMOUNT OF $480,000, FROM $1,783,835 TO $2,263,835.

13. ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION OF AN IRWD BOARD MEMBER AND DECLARATION OF THE DISTRICT'S INTENT TO FILL THE VACANCY BY APPOINTMENT

General Manager Cook announced that Director Withers tendered his resignation to the Board with an effective date of August 7, 2026. He further outlined the appointment process that District will follow to comply with California Government Code section 1780.

Following questions from the Board, on MOTION by Ferons, seconded by Swan and unanimously carried, the BOARD ACCEPTED THE RESIGNATION OF JOHN WITHERS EFFECTIVE AUGUST 7, 2026, AND DECLARED THAT THE VACANCY IS TO BE FILLED BY APPOINTMENT WITHIN THE STATUTORY DEADLINE FOR AN APPOINTMENT.

OTHER BUSINESS

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager Cook congratulated IRWD's Finance team on the refunding of the 2016 GO Bonds; and invited Director of Accounting Lin to introduce Controller Thompson to the Board.

RECEIVE ORAL UPDATE(S) FROM DISTRICT LIAISON(S) REGARDING COMMUNITIES WITHIN IRWD'S SERVICE AREA AND INTERESTS.

Mr. Newell was absent from the evening's meeting but relayed to General Manager Cook that all is well in the canyons.

DIRECTORS' COMMENTS AND MEETING REPORTS

Director Reinhart reported on his participation in the MWDOC Board of Directors meeting via teleconference; the South Orange County Agencies' Group meeting; the MWDOC Planning and Operations Committee meeting via teleconference; the MWDOC Workshop Board meeting with the MWD Directors via teleconference; the OCWD Communications and Legislative Liaison Committee Meeting via teleconference; and the WACO Monthly meeting via teleconference.

Director Swan reported on his participation in the MWDOC Board of Directors meeting via teleconference; the WACO Planning Committee meeting via teleconference; the MWDOC Planning and Operations Committee meeting via teleconference; the CASA Annual Conference in Napa; the MWDOC Workshop Board meeting with the MWD Directors via teleconference; and the WACO Monthly meeting via teleconference.

Director Ferons reported on his participation in the Southern California Water Coalition Quarterly Luncheon in Northridge; the Community tour presentation walk through with District Staff; and the Community Bat Walk Tour.

President LaMar reported on his Discussion of District Activities with the General Manager; the July WACO Monthly meeting via teleconference; the CCEEB Summer Issues Seminar in Olympic Valley; the NCC Executive Committee Meeting; the COAST Meeting via teleconference; the South Orange County Agencies' Group meeting; the Southern California Water Coalition Quarterly Board meeting in Northridge, followed by the Southern California Water Coalition Quarterly Luncheon in Northridge; the Southern California Water Coalition Legislative Task Force meeting via teleconference; the 13th Annual Forecast Informed Reservoir Operations (FIRO) Workshop in La Jolla; and the August WACO Monthly meeting via teleconference.

OTHER BUSINESS (CONTINUED)

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:34 p.m., President LaMar adjourned the Board meeting.

APPROVED and SIGNED this 24th day of August 2026.

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President, IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT

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District Secretary,
IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Claire Hervey Collins, General Counsel
Hanson Bridgett LLP