

Meeting Date: 3/31/2015

Report Type: Consent

Report ID: 2015-00223

Title: Appointments: Sacramento Groundwater Authority (SGA)

Location: Citywide

Recommendation: Pass a Resolution appointing the following representatives to the Sacramento Groundwater Authority Board of Directors: Robert J. Matteoli (Del Paso Manor Water District), and Neil Schild, Kevin Thomas, and Robert "Bob" Wichert (Sacramento Suburban Water District).

Contact: Jim Peifer, Supervising Engineer, (916) 808-1416; Bill Busath, Interim Director, (916) 808-1434, Department of Utilities

Presenter: None

Department: Department Of Utilities

Division: Office of the Director Admin

Dept ID: 14001011

Attachments:

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2-Background

3-Resolution

City Attorney Review

Approved as to Form

Joe Robinson

3/24/2015 4:37:06 PM

Approvals/Acknowledgements

Department Director or Designee: Bill Busath - 3/11/2015 2:57:33 PM

Description/Analysis

Issue Detail: The City Council appoints specified representatives to the Sacramento Groundwater Authority (SGA) Board of Directors in accordance with the SGA Joint Powers Agreement (JPA). The JPA requires that the City Council appoint the Board of Director representatives from the City, California American Water, Del Paso Manor Water District, Golden State Water Company, Natomas Central Mutual Water Company, Sacramento Suburban Water District, and self-supplied users. Under the JPA, the representatives the City appoints from other entities are recommended by those entities, but the City Council retains discretion to make the appointments.

Vacancies in some of these positions require that new appointments be made. These appointments will be up for renewal on August 11, 2016. The following candidates have been recommended for appointment to the SGA Board of Directors by the agencies in parentheses: Robert J. Matteoli (Del Paso Manor Water District), and Neil Schild, Kevin Thomas, and Robert "Bob" Wichert (Sacramento Suburban Water District). Staff recommends appointment to the SGA Board of Directors of these candidates.

Policy Considerations: The proposed action is consistent with the Joint Powers Agreement approved by the City Council on August 11, 1998.

Economic Impacts: None

Environmental Considerations:

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA):

The Community Development Department, Environmental Planning Services has reviewed the project and has determined that the action of filling vacant positions is not considered a project under the CEQA Guidelines, Section 15378. Filling the vacancies to the Sacramento Groundwater Authority Board of Directors is an organizational administrative activity that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes to the environment.

Sustainability: Not Applicable

Commission/Committee Action: Not Applicable

Rationale for Recommendation: The Joint Powers Agreement that created the Sacramento Groundwater Authority authorized the City Council to appoint specified representatives to the Authority Board of Directors, from adjacent water districts, water companies, and self-supplied pumpers.

Financial Considerations: The proposed action will have no financial impact to the City.

Local Business Enterprise (LBE): No goods or services are being purchased.

Background

On August 11, 1998, the City Council approved a Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) that created the Sacramento North Area Groundwater Management Authority, subsequently renamed the Sacramento Groundwater Authority (SGA).

The boundaries of the SGA are as follows: north of the American River to the Sacramento County line; bounded on the south by the American River; on the west by the Sacramento River; on the north and east by the Sacramento County line; and including the City of Folsom.

The joint powers SGA was established: (a) to maintain the long-term sustainable yield of the North Area Basin; (b) to manage the use of groundwater in the North Area Basin and facilitate implementation of an appropriate conjunctive use program by water purveyors; (c) to coordinate efforts among those entities represented on the governing body of the joint powers authority to devise and implement strategies to safeguard groundwater quality; and (d) to work collaboratively with other entities, including groundwater management authorities that may be formed in other areas of the County of Sacramento and adjacent political jurisdictions, to promote coordination of policies and activities throughout the region.

Signatories to the JPA are the City, the County of Sacramento, and the cities of Citrus Heights and Folsom. The JPA delegates to the SGA the powers to manage the North Area groundwater basin consistent with the Water Forum Agreement, and establishes a 16-member Board of Directors. The JPA requires the City, the County of Sacramento, and the cities of Citrus Heights and Folsom to appoint specified representatives to the Authority Board of Directors.

The JPA requires that the City Council appoint the Board of Director representatives from the City, California American Water, Del Paso Manor Water District, Golden State Water Company, Natomas Central Mutual Water Company, Sacramento Suburban Water District, and self-supplied users. Under the JPA, the representatives the City appoints from other entities are recommended by those entities, but the City Council retains discretion to make the appointments.

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Organization	Representative/Alternate(s)
Del Paso Manor Water District	Robert Matteoli (alternate)
Sacramento Suburban Water District	Neil Schild Kevin Thomas & Bob Wichert (alternates)

Biographical information:

Robert J. Matteoli

Mr. Matteoli, Director, Del Paso Manor Water District, is a Professional Civil Engineer, State of California. Mr. Matteoli attended the University of California, Davis: Chemical Engineering B.S., June 1971, Chemical Engineering M.S., September 1973.

Mr. Matteoli retired from state service in October 2004. His work experience includes forming and supervising the Regional Board's Sacramento Office's Confined Animal Regulatory Unit and major duties applied to the Interagency Dairy Enforcement Task Force. He served as Senior Engineer for the Southern Region of the Sacramento Office for area engineering tasks and was assigned to enforce pollution laws against the Sacramento and San Joaquin dairy industry. He was involved in developing a groundwater monitoring program for toxic substances, and drafting a surface and groundwater sampling manual for toxic substances while learning flood fighting techniques and Incident Command. While working for the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, Sacramento Office he was promoted to Senior Water Resources Control Engineer in charge of the Toxics Unit. His primary projects included the State well drilling program periphery to Aerojet General Corporation (AGC), the groundwater well monitoring rig, and the off-site source identification. He developed the work plan and implemented the State's initial off-site groundwater investigation at McClellan AFB. He has worked preparing, reviewing, issuing, revising, and rescission of state waste discharge requirements, complaint inspections, preparation of Cleanup and Abatement Orders and Cease and Desist Orders, Clean Water Grant administration, and timber harvest inspections. In his position as Project Evaluator his job tasks consisted of Plan of Study approval, project report review, liaison and coordination, and revenue program review.

Neil W. Schild

Mr. Schild was elected as a Board Member for Division 2 of the Sacramento Suburban Water District in 2004, 2008 and 2012. Neil is a Professional Engineer currently employed part-time with MWH, Americas. He is currently managing projects that involve environmental restoration related to the diversion of water from streams throughout CA.

Director Schild is currently the district alternate representative on the Regional Water Authority, ACWA Joint Powers Insurance Authority, Workers' Compensation Program Committee and ACWA Federal Affairs Committee. He continues to serve on the Finance and Audit Committee for SSWD. Director Schild has served in previous years as the President of the SSWD Board of Directors.

Mr. Schild worked for the US Bureau of Reclamation in Denver and Sacramento. He retired from the Bureau in 1993 after 34 years of service. Mr. Schild worked primarily in the water and power operations and maintenance fields during that

tenure. He retired as the Deputy Regional Director for the Mid-Pacific Region of the Bureau.

He holds a BS degree in Agricultural Engineering from Kansas State University. Neil and his wife Arlis moved to Sacramento in 1972, raised four children and have lived in the District since that time.

Kevin Thomas

Mr. Thomas was elected in November 2010 to the Sacramento Suburban Water District Board of Directors. He represents Division 4, which includes Arden Arcade, Carmichael, and Foothill Farms.

Kevin was born and raised in Sacramento, attended El Camino High School and is currently enrolled at CSU Sacramento where he is a senior studying computer science. He works for The People's Advocate, one of the state's largest grass roots taxpayer's organizations, where he engages in all levels of government from neighborhood organizations to federal legislation. Kevin's experience at The People's Advocate ignited a passion for serving his community and making it a better place to live. In his spare time he enjoys reading and yoga.

Bob Wichert

Mr. Wichert graduated from California State University, Sacramento with a degree in Mechanical Engineering and worked for over eighteen years at the Sacramento Municipal Utility District as a mechanical engineer.

While at SMUD Mr. Wichert worked on hydroelectric power projects and was personally responsible for establishment of the SMUD Greenergy © renewable power program. He has lived in Division 3 for almost fifteen years. Up until October of 2014 he ran his own business, Robert P Wichert Professional Engineering, Inc. He now works for RagingWire Data Centers as a Senior Mechanical Engineer.

RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

March 31, 2015

APPOINTING REPRESENTATIVES TO THE SACRAMENTO GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY (SGA)

BACKGROUND

- A. On August 11, 1998, the City Council approved a Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) that created the Sacramento North Area Groundwater Management Authority, subsequently renamed the Sacramento Groundwater Authority (SGA).
- B. The JPA requires that the City Council appoint representatives to the SGA Board of Directors from the City, California American Water, Del Paso Manor Water District, Golden State Water Company, Natomas Central Mutual Water Company, Sacramento Suburban Water District, and self-supplied users.

BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City Council appoints the following representatives to the Sacramento Groundwater Authority Board of Directors:

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