

**VALLEY SANITARY DISTRICT
MINUTES OF SPECIAL BOARD MEETING**
April 19, 2022

A special Board Meeting of the Governing Board of Valley Sanitary District (VSD) was held on Tuesday, April 19, 2022, at 45-500 Van Buren St., Indio, CA 92201.

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Sear called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

1.1 Roll Call

Directors Present:

Debra Canero, Dennis Coleman, Mike Duran, Scott Sear, William Teague

Staff Present:

Beverli Marshall, Jeanette Juarez, Dave Commons, Ron Buchwald, and Branden Rodriguez

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

This is the time for public comment on any item not appearing on the agenda. Please notify the Secretary in advance of the meeting if you wish to speak on a non-hearing item.

None.

3. NON-HEARING ITEM

3.1 Budget Workshop to Discuss Draft Operations & Maintenance (O&M) and Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2022/23 and Provide Direction to Staff

Jeanette Juarez, Business Services Manager, presented the Draft FY23 Operating & Maintenance (O&M) and Capital Budget to the Board. The proposed operating and capital budget for the fiscal year 2022/23 is \$16,189,077 and \$33,195,633 respectively. The operating budget encompasses such costs as personnel, California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS) Unfunded Accrued Liability (UAL), debt service, insurance premiums, and other overhead costs to run day-to-day operations. The capital budget incorporates key projects to further advance the District's Capital Improvement Program (CIP). There are 18 capital projects requested in the fiscal year 2022/23. The CIP for the fiscal year 2022/23 includes the Recycled Water Project Phase I Design Build, the Influent Pump Station Rehabilitation Project and the Collection System Sewer Main Rehabilitation and Replacement Program.

Ron Buchwald, Engineering Services Manager, presented the 20-year CIP and proposed capital budget for fiscal year 2022/23. He also reviewed the capital prioritization ranking process.

Ms. Juarez presented the draft operating budget and reviewed the variances budget department by department. Ms. Juarez informed the Board that she would bring the draft budget to the May 24th Board meeting for follow up discussion before it is brought for final approval to the June 14, 2022, Board meeting. The Board discussed updating the Master Plan and the potential of a rate increase. The Board thanked staff for the hard work they put into the budget preparation.

4. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 3:35 p.m. The next regular Board meeting will be on April 26, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

Holly Gould, Clerk of the Board
Valley Sanitary District