

**VALLEY SANITARY DISTRICT
OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

August 3, 2021

A regular meeting of the Valley Sanitary District (VSD) Operations Committee was held at Valley Sanitary District, 45-500 Van Buren St, Indio, CA, on Tuesday, June 1, 2021.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Ron Buchwald called the meeting to order at 1:06 p.m.

1.1 Roll Call

Committee Members Present:

Ron Buchwald, Chair

Debra Canero, Director

William Teague, Director

Staff Present:

Anna Bell, Facility Operations Manager, and Holly Gould, Clerk of the Board

Guests:

Valerie Houchin, Schneider Electric

Brian Pottenger, Schneider Electric (via telephone)

Ehab Gerges, Harris & Associates

Elizabeth Reyes, Harris & Associates

Mark Nassar, Harris & Associates

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

This is the time set aside 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. DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS

3.1 Project Update: Collection System Rehabilitation & Replacement Project

Ehab Gerges and Elizabeth Reyes, of Harris and Associates, made a presentation to the committee. The current fiscal year impact of this project is \$2,900,000 million for both design and construction as shown in the CIP budget. The total estimated construction cost of this project is \$58,958,000 to be spent over the next ten (10) years. To date, VSD has completed one cured-in-place pipeline (CIPP) project with success. VSD also recently completed the CCTV inspection of large diameters and/or high flow mains along with other difficult to televise mains. The major findings from the CCTV inspections are that VSD's mains are in mostly good shape. Staff wants to include the addition of VSD's four lift stations to the rehabilitation program since they are an integral part of the collection system.

Currently, staff and Harris are working on the downtown City of Indio improvement plans. Staff should have 90% completion plans in the next couple of weeks. Staff will be meeting with the City of Indio Public Works staff to discuss the project, permit, and traffic control requirements by mid to late August. A video of the CCTV inspections was shown.

3.2 Project Update: Reclaimed Water Project – Phase I

Valeria Houchin from Schneider Electric made a presentation to the committee. The current fiscal impact of this project is \$2.2 million which will produce 60% of the design plans. In fiscal year 2021/22, Staff will request the Board to authorize to award the completion of design and construction of the project estimated to be about \$61 million. The Reclaimed Water Project Phase I is the initial project of three phases that will allow VSD to be able to produce reclaimed water. This project will replace and improve some treatment structures and provide redundancy for other treatment structures so that we can eventually decommission the ponds (Phase II) which will provide the needed area to construct additional treatment systems to be able to produce reclaimed water (Phase III). Phase I is expected to be completed by early 2025.

4. **FUTURE MEETING ITEMS**

5. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 2:23 p.m. The next regular committee meeting will be held on October 5, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

Holly Gould, Clerk of the Board
Valley Sanitary District