



Tuesday, December 13, 2022 at 1:00 PM
Valley Sanitary District Board Room
45500 Van Buren Street, Indio, CA 92201

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR SESSION
AGENDA**

Valley Sanitary District is open to the public and board meetings will be conducted in person. In addition to attending in person, members of the public may view and participate in meeting via the following:

Zoom link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84189002424>

Meeting ID: 841 8900 2424

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The Clerk of the Board will facilitate to the extent possible any email requests to provide oral testimony that are sent during the live meeting. Members of the public may provide Oral testimony in person or during the virtual live session and are limited to three minutes each. To address the Board in person please complete speaker request card located at in the Board Room and give it to the Clerk of the Board.

If you are unable to provide comments during the meeting, written public comments on agenda or non-agenda items may be submitted by email to the Clerk of the Board at hgould@valley-sanitary.org. Written comments must be received by the Clerk of the Board no later than 11:00 a.m. on the day of the meeting.

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
4. ADMINISTER OATH OF OFFICE - APPOINTED DIRECTOR
Jacquelyn Barnum - appointed in lieu of election
Scott Sear - appointed in lieu of election

5. EMPLOYEE ANNIVERSARIES - DECEMBER

James Mills, Operations Supervisor – 16 years
Jimmy Garcia, Maintenance Technician I – 16 years
Ron Buchwald, District Engineer – 10 years
Karen Hopper, Accounting Analyst – 9 years
Hector Guzman, Development Services Tech III – 8 years

6. NEW EMPLOYEE INTRODUCTIONS

Mario Luna - Laboratory Technician-in-Training
Rebecca Salas - Laboratory Technician-in-Training

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

8. CONSENT CALENDAR

Consent calendar items are expected to be routine and noncontroversial, to be acted upon by the Board of Directors at one time, without discussion. If any Board member requests that an item be removed from the consent calendar, it will be removed so that it may be acted upon separately.

8.1 [Approve Board Meeting Minutes of November 22, 2022](#)

Recommendation: Approve

8.2 [Approve Warrants for December 13, 2022](#)

Recommendation: Approve

8.3 [Quarterly Investment Report for the Period Ending September 30, 2022](#)

Recommendation: Approve

8.4 [Approve Regular Meeting Schedule and Adopt District Observed Holidays for 2023](#)

Recommendation: Approve

9. PUBLIC HEARING

9.1 [Conduct a Public Hearing Regarding Valley Sanitary District's Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Proposed Westward Ho Drive Sewer Siphon Replacement Project](#)

Recommendation: Approve

10. NON-HEARING ITEMS

10.1 [Adopt Resolution No. 2022-1172 Honoring Director Dennis Coleman for His Dedication and Service to Valley Sanitary District](#)

Recommendation: Approve

10.2 [Election of Board Officers for 2023](#)

Recommendation: Approve

10.3 [Appoint Directors and One Alternate to the East Valley Reclamation Authority Board of Directors for 2023](#)

Recommendation: Approve

10.4 [Appoint Two Directors to Budget & Finance, Operations, and Community Engagement](#)

Committees for 2023

Recommendation: Approve

- 10.5 [Authorize the General Manager to Execute a Contract with Elevation Health to Provide an Employee Health and Wellness Program Services in an Amount Not to Exceed \\$37,750 for a 12-Month Period](#)

Recommendation: Approve

- 10.6 [Authorize a Limited Study with Lystek to Determine the Feasibility of an Onsite Biosolids Solution in an Amount Not to Exceed \\$20,000](#)

Recommendation: Approve

- 10.7 [Authorize the General Manager to Negotiate and Execute a Contract with the Selected Consultant for Communication and Outreach Services in an Amount Approved by the Board for a 12-Month Period with an Option for Two 12-Month Extensions](#)

Recommendation: Approve

11. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

- 11.1 [Monthly General Managers Report - September 2022](#)

Recommendation: Review

12. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 12.1 [Discuss Draft Minutes of the Operations Committee Meeting - December 6, 2022](#)

Recommendation: Discuss

13. DIRECTOR'S ITEMS

14. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

15. PUBLIC COMMENT

This is the time set aside for public comment on any item to be discussed in Closed Session. Please notify the Secretary at the beginning of the meeting if you wish to speak on a Closed Session item.

16. CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION

13.1 Conference with Legal Counsel - Discussion to Consider Initiation of Litigation Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(2) Under existing facts and circumstances, legal counsel believes that there is significant exposure to litigation

13.2 Public Employment Recruitment Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 - Title: General Manager

17. CONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

18. ADJOURNMENT

POSTED December 8, 2022
Holly Gould
Clerk of the Board
Valley Sanitary District

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