

RECLAMATION DISTRICT NO. 1000
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
ACTION SUMMARY
October 14, 2016
1633 Garden Hwy
Sacramento, CA 95834

Trustees Present: Avdis, Barandas, Christophel, Gilbert, Harris, Jones and Smith
Trustees Absent: None

Staff in Attendance: General Manager Devereux, Secretary Figueroa, Foreman Del Castillo, Attorney James Day, and PR Consultant Karen Pardieck. Also in attendance were proponents of the North Precinct Proposed development in Sacramento County.

President Christophel Presided at the meeting.

President Christophel stated the Closed Session would be moved to the end of the agenda, and the North Precinct Proposed development presentation would be the first item on the agenda to be addressed.

4A. North Precinct Proposed Development (Sacramento County) Presentation by Owner Group

General Manager Devereux reported the North Precinct Development in Sacramento County is a significant portion of the unincorporated area north of Elkhorn Blvd, south of Elverta Road and east of Highway 99 and will have a significant impact on drainage. He has met with the proponents and they requested and he recommended they present the proposed development plans and drainage improvements to the Board of Trustees.

Mr. Ken Giberson of Mackay & Soms introduced members in the audience involved in the North Precinct development, including the Project Manager, hydrologist, engineer and counsel.

Mr. Giberson made a PowerPoint presentation on the proposed development and outlined their vision for how the interior drainage, including anticipated spills through the Sankey gap will be routed through the area. Their plans include a wide drainage corridor which will include recreational amenities, trails, retention basins and other water features. Levees will be constructed on the fringe of the floodway to contain the design flood. This concept represents a significant change for the current drainage plans which are contained in single use narrow canals with short levees on each side. The policy issue is who would maintain the proposed drainage corridors and how the non-drainage related improvements located within the floodway would be maintained. This plan is still in the planning stages and they are looking to have a drainage master plan for the area in the next 6 to 9 months.

The Trustees asked questions regarding financing, vector control for mosquitos, whether the Sankey Gap would remain open or closed and how the concept plan would integrate with the current drainage system.

General Manager Devereux reported that this proposed concept could be a policy shift for the Board depending on what directions the District wants to take on maintenance of the proposed floodway corridor. He noted there a lot of technical issues that still need to be addressed as the plan evolves.

President Christophel thanked the North Precinct proponents for the presentation.

1. Approval of the Minutes – September 9, 2016

It was moved by Trustee Avdis to adopt the minutes of September 9, 2016 as presented. The Motion was seconded by Trustee Harris, duly put and carried by a unanimous vote.

2. Administrative Items

A. Treasurer’s Report for September 2016

Fund Balances for September 2016 are as follows:

Checking:	\$ 595,209.95
Money Market:	\$ 817,452.88
County Treasurer:	\$ 3, 295,831.27
LAI:	\$ 1,718,942.90
City Pool A:	\$ 1,010,894.68

Secretary Figueroa updated the Board on the status of the 2015-16 Financial Statement preparation and audit.

Motion by Trustee Harris to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. The motion was seconded by Trustee Barandas, duly put and carried by a unanimous vote.

B. Expenditure Report for September 2016

The expenditures for the month of September 2016 were \$281,017.71 Expenditures from the various funds are as follows: Operation and Maintenance - \$210,357.96 Capital – \$70,659.75.

3. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. SAFCA Representatives

Trustee Barandas reported on the SAFCA Executive Committee meeting. The Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) was passed by the Senate on September 28; the WRDA was previously passed by the House, without the favorable credit language included in the Senate passed WRDA. The credit language allows SAFCA to transfer credits earned on the Natomas construction to other projects including the Folsom Dam Raise Project. The House and Senate will meet in conference to reconcile the credit language. No Federal budget was passed and a

Continuing Resolution (CR) was adopted on September 29 to keep the government funded until December 9.

The Corps of Engineers (COE) has sent out the request for bids for Reach I of the Natomas Levee project but there aren't sufficient funds in the CR to fund the contract. Some potential Corps funds have been diverted with the recent hurricane on the east coast, but SAFCA is confident the funds necessary to award the first contract will be available.

General Manager Devereux stated the OMB has just determined the COE may use carryover funds to complete the first contract.

Levee Accreditation funding is moving forward with the State. At the October Board meeting the SAFCA Board will look at early sales of bonds to use to offset the COE lack of funding on the Natomas project

B. Executive Committee

Trustee Christophel reported the Executive Committee met on October 5th to review the Agenda for the October 14 Board meeting. In attendance at the meeting were Trustees Christophel, Barandas and General Manager Devereux, Trustee Harris monitored the meeting via telephone. A copy of the minutes of the Executive Committee was included in the Board packet.

C. Operations Committee

Trustee Barandas reported the Operations Committee met on September 16. The Committee discussed the 2016-17 budget and potential modification to the adopted budget for additional capital projects. The funds for the additional expense will come from the Capital fund and not the Operation and Maintenance Expense Fund. He reported the Operations Committee would like to have oversight for implementing the Capital Improvement Plan. The Committee also discussed the Annual Operations and Maintenance Plan being developed and field operation changes. In attendance at the meeting were Trustees Barandas, and Smith. Trustee Harris participated via telephone. Also in attendance was General Manager Devereux and Superintendent Caldwell. A copy of the minutes of the Operations committee was included in the Board packet.

D. Urbanization Committee

Trustee Avdis reported the Urbanization Committee met on September 21. The Committee discussed the homeless camp issue and the proposed Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with other agencies. District Counsel has drafted an attorney memo regarding potential liability, if any, created by unauthorized camping in the floodway. He reported the Committee also reviewed the District's outreach strategy and reviewed the background of the District's administrative draft System Wide Improvement Framework (SWIF). He noted this will come before the Board for action in early 2017. In attendance at the meeting were Trustees Avdis and Jones. Also in attendance were GM Devereux and PR Consultant Karen Pardieck. A copy of the minutes of the Urbanization Committee was included in the Board packet.

4B. Reclamation District No. 1000 Flood Emergency Action Plan

General Manager Devereux reported the revised District's Flood Emergency Action Plan (EAP) has been included in the Board packet which includes edits from the draft presented to the Board last month. Resolution No. 2016-10-1 to adopt the EAP has been prepared and is included in the Board's packet. In addition to approving the EAP staff is requesting the Board adopt a resolution delegating contracting authority to the General Manager in an emergency pursuant to California Public Contract Code Section 22050 (a)A(a), Resolution No. 2016-10-2.

The EAP will be reviewed annually by the General Manager and updated at least once every five years. President Christophel suggested that the Board receive a copy of it annually, or a reminder to review the EAP annually, so that all Board members, including newly elected or newly appointed will be aware of the plan as well.

After discussion it was moved by Trustee Harris to adopt Resolution 2016-10-1, adopting the District's Flood Emergency Action Plan, and to adopt Resolution 2016-10-2 delegating contracting authority to the General Manager in a flood emergency. The motion was seconded by Trustee Avdis, duly put and carried by a unanimous vote.

Trustee Harris left the meeting.

4C. Approve Joint Use Agreement – RD1000 and Sacramento San Joaquin Drainage District – Central Valley Flood Protection Board for American River Common Features – Natomas Basin – Reach I and H Project

4D. Grant Easement to Sacramento San Joaquin Drainage District – Central Valley Flood Protection Board – American River North Levee for Natomas Basin Project – Reach I

District consultant Steve Yaeger briefed the Board on this item. He reported the Joint Use Agreement provides the State of California (Central Valley Flood Protection Board) with joint use of the District's easements for the portion of the perimeter levee system along Garden Highway from Gateway Oaks to the I-5 northbound on-ramp. The easement deed pertains to property held in fee title by the District in Reach I from I-5 to near Northgate Blvd. Granting the easement and executing the Joint Use agreement will allow the State to certify to the Corps of Engineers (COE) that the real estate rights are in place for the COE to begin the flood control improvements and other works in Reach I of the Natomas Levee Project. The rights are being acquired by the Sacramento San Joaquin Drainage District which is the entity that holds virtually all of the property rights for the Sacramento River Flood Control project by the State.

Motion by Trustee Avdis to authorize the General Manager to execute the Joint Use agreement as provided and to execute the easement deed to the Sacramento San Joaquin Drainage district as provided. The motion was seconded by Trustee Barandas, duly put and carried by a unanimous vote.

4E. Report on Annual Levee Inspection – District and State Department of Water Resources.

General Manager Devereux reported Mead & Hunt have completed the walking pre flood season inspection of the District's levees. He introduced Jeff Kashiwada and Jackie Hader from Mead and Hunt who performed the inspections. Mr. Kashiwada gave the Board a briefing on their findings which included no significant levee safety issues. Superintendent Caldwell reported he completed the semi-annual inspection of the District's levees with the State Department of Water Resources inspector. He noted the District received a good report from DWR.

4F. Unauthorized Floodway Camps

General Manager Devereux reported the District has been dealing with unauthorized camping in our canals and floodways for a number of years. The problem grew significantly in 2013. The District began trying to engage stakeholders on this issues, including the City and County Law enforcement, advocacy groups and other City/County departments. The District made valuable contacts and received insights but little help in managing the growing problem. The Urbanization Committee met recently to discuss this issue and requests full Board involvement in what the next steps the District might take. GM Devereux provided a list of potential action items the District could discuss and investigate. Several options were discussed including increasing signage, engaging off duty police for patrols. SAFCA currently contracts with the Rangers and that might be an avenue for the District to pursue. After much discussion among the Board members, staff was directed to continue working with the Urbanization Committee on possible actions that can be taken.

5. Items Schedule for information and Discussion – General Manager's Report

A Regional Flood Control Issues

GM Devereux noted Trustee Barandas has covered regional flood control issues in his SAFCA report.

B. Flood Season Preparations

GM Devereux reported the District's annual pre-flood season levee inspections have been completed. The last of the seasons mowing is being completed and the crews is preparing the pumping plants for flood season operations. The latest forecast is for a likely ENSO neutral year, which historically has resulted in below normal precipitation.

C. Corps Design Progress Natomas Levee Improvements and Rights of Way Issues (update)

General Manager reported the Corps of Engineers was going to begin design work for the Plant 4 modifications at the Natomas Cross Canal but have indicated they may not have the resources. SAFCA and the District may need to undertake the design for this project.

D. Encroachment Permits

General Manager Devereux reported he has endorsed two permits for existing driveway access across the new levee for landside parcels on the Garden Highway that were constructed as part of the Natomas Levee Improvement Project by SAFCA.

F. Strategic Plan Implementation update

General Manager Devereux reported Grace Consulting is working with staff on desk procedures for the Admin Services Manager and Admin Assistant positions.

G. Update On SWIF Document – Comments from Corps of Engineers

GM Devereux reported he gave a brief update to the Urbanization Committee and he is working with the Central Valley Protection Board and Corps of Engineers. Eventually this will be an actionable item for the Board.

H. Corp Yard – Building Addition Update

General Manager Devereux reported there are a few small things to complete on the addition, and ADA compliance issues that need to be addressed, however, the addition is near completion and sign off.

I. FEMA Draft Guidelines re: Executive Order 13690

General Manager Devereux reported he has reviewed the FEMA draft guidelines related to EO 13690 and does not believe they will affect the District and our FEMA disaster assistance funding. He stated there is no need for the District to comment on the draft guidelines

6) Trustee's Reports

None to report

7) Public Outreach Report – Karen Pardieck

Ms. Pardieck reported on the District's upcoming outreach efforts and noted the Fall Newsletter is at the printers and should be out shortly. The Videographers have spent some time filming the crew and have interviewed Board President Christophel and General Manager Devereux.

8) District Counsel's Report

Attorney Day reported on activity of his firm on behalf of the District for September 2016.

9) Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Caldwell reported the pumping done in September was due to rice water drainage. The copper application on the canals was started on October 10th and finished on the 12th. The lower GGS ditch is being cleaned as requested by SAFCA to remove sediment and cattails that are blocking flows. The crew is cleaning other ditches and preparing the pumping plants for flood season. A copy of the Superintendent's report was provided in the Board packet.

Closed Session

President Christophel recessed the regular meeting and the Board went into Closed Session pursuant to Government Code 54956.9 – Consultation with Counsel regarding threatened litigation. Tree Advocates of Sacramento v. City of Sacramento et al does 1 through 20.

After the Closed Session was adjourned the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees was reconvened. Attorney Day reported that no action was taken in the closed session.

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned.

President

Secretary