SAN ELIJO JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING **HELD ON JULY 12. 2016** AT THE **ENCINA WASTEWATER AUTHORITY**

Catherine Blakespear, Chair

Ginger Marshall, Vice Chair

A special meeting of the Board of Directors of the San Elijo Joint Powers Authority (SEJPA) was held Tuesday, July 12, 2016 at 8:30 a.m., at the Encina Wastewater Authority at 6200 Avenida Encinas, Carlsbad, CA 92011.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Blakespear called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Directors Present Catherine Blakespear

> Mark Muir David Zito

Directors Absent: Ginger Marshall

Michael Thornton General Manager

SEJPA Counsel:

Procopio, Cory, Hargreaves & Savitch Greg Moser

City of Encinitas:

Glenn Pruim Director of Engineering and Public Works **Public Works Management Analyst** Bill Wilson

Encina Wastewater Authority:

City of Carlsbad Keith Blackburn, Michael Schumacher

City of Encinitas Kristin Gaspar, Mark Muir City of Vista/Buena Sanitation District Amanda Rigby, Judy Ritter Vallecitos Water District Jim Hernandez, Craig Elitharp Leucadia Wastewater District Allan Juliussen. Elaine Sullivan

Michael F. Steinlicht General Manager

General Counsel Greg Moser **Board Secretary** Paula D. Clowar

Others Present:

City of Carlsbad Wendy Chambers Leucadia Wastewater District Paul Bushee

James Gumpel, Tom Scaglione Vallecitos Water District

City of Vista/Buena Sanitation District Elmer Alex, Patrick Johnson,

Greg Mayer

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

City of Carlsbad Councilman Schumacher led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

6. <u>ENCINA WASTEWATER AUTHORITY (EWA) – SAN ELIJO JOINT POWERS</u> AUTHORITY (SEJPA) INTEGRATION PROPOSAL

General Manager Michael Thornton and General Manager Michael Steinlicht provided an overview of the proposed first phase which is to integrate the management and administration of both organizations into a single, consolidated, team. This would provide the benefits of streamlining administration to both organizations, while allowing each to exist independently. The focus would be on developing organizational efficiencies, improving service, and capturing cost savings associated with optimized executive and administrative staffing; shared engineering, laboratory, and HR staff; and leveraged efficiencies in permitting and system operations. Additionally, staff will continue to examine opportunities to create further savings as institutional knowledge is shared and working relationships are developed. The financial goal of Phase I is a net savings of \$400,000 during the 18-month implementation period.

Approval of the recommendation would authorize the General Manager to work cooperatively with officials at the EWA and General Counsel to draft and enter into an operational agreement for implementing Phase I of the EWA – SEJPA Integration Proposal. As delineated in Section 12.1.3 of the EWA Revised Basic Agreement, unanimous approval by the Joint Advisory Committee is required for operational agreements outside the Joint System.

Moved by Board Member Muir and seconded by Board Member Zito to:

1. Authorize the General Manager to work cooperatively with EWA officials and General Counsel to draft and enter into an operational agreement for Phase I Implementation of the EWA - SEJPA Integration Proposal.

Motion carried with the following vote of approval:

AYES: Blakespear, Muir, Zito

NOES: None ABSENT: Marshall ABSTAIN: None

Due to the requirement for unanimous vote in the Encina Wastewater Authority bylaws, the item did not receive enough votes to move forward.

7. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

The meeting adjourned at 9:58 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael T. Thornton, P.E.

General Manager