



JOINT CITY COUNCIL/ SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT BOARD AGENDA

APRIL 28, 2017

**SPECIAL MEETING
9:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.
SANTA CLARA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
BOARD ROOM**

CHAPPIE JONES
SERGIO JIMENEZ
RAUL PERALEZ
LAN DIEP
MAGDALENA CARRASCO
VICE MAYOR

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DISTRICT 3
DISTRICT 4
DISTRICT 5

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JOHNNY KHAMIS

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DISTRICT 10

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- **Call to Order and Roll Call**
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Special Meeting, Board Room, Santa Clara Valley Water District
- **Pledge of Allegiance**

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1. Opening Remarks by Chair of the Board of Directors and Mayor.
2. Overview of Water Issues in San José and Santa Clara County
 - a. Role and Functions of the Santa Clara Valley Water District
 - b. Role and Functions of the City of San José
3. Discussion of Coyote Creek Flooding
 - a. Overview of February 21, 2017 Flood on Coyote Creek
 - b. Paths Forward for Flood Protection Along Coyote Creek
 - i. Goals
 1. Prioritize Coyote Creek for Emergency Response Upgrades
 2. Communication/Public Notification Improvements
 3. Improvements for Storm Monitoring
 - a. Updated Flood Forecasting Tools
 - b. Flood Stage Reporting
 4. Improvements for Flood Protection
 - ii. Short-Term Efforts
 1. Developing After Action Reviews and Reports

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2. Developing a joint Emergency Action Plan (EAP), including but not limited to reviewing: sandbag deployment protocol; developing communications/warning protocol; developing standard operating procedures for creek level/flood stage monitoring and the installation, performance-monitoring, and communication of results of creek-level measurement devices and other monitoring efforts; development of a uniform alert system that ties to weather forecasts, reservoir and stream conditions, and the City's threat matrix; and expanding emergency response capabilities.
3. Developing and implementing short-term flood risk reduction activities
- iii. Intermediate Efforts
 1. Mid-Coyote Flood Protection Project (20-25 yr event)
 - a. Project Update
 - b. Project Funding
 - c. Analysis and implementation of interim flood protection measures at Rock Springs
 - iv. Long-Term Efforts
 1. Mid-Coyote Flood Protection Project (up to 100 yr. event)
- c. Joint Actions (District Board and City Council)
 - i. Adoption of Resolutions by the City Council and by the District Board committing to development of a joint Emergency Action Plan for Coyote Creek by October 2017, to conduct joint Tabletop Exercises prior to adoption of the EAP, to return to a joint City Council and District Board meeting for final adoption kicking off a public education effort.
 - ii. Direction to District and City staff to collaborate on the development of each agency's state-required After Action Report.
- d. Actions for the Board of Directors
 - i. Direction to District staff to analyze potential short-term Coyote Creek flood risk reduction actions by summer 2017 and, under Board direction, work with the City to begin implementation in anticipation of winter 2017-18 storms.
 - ii. Direction to District staff to restart the Mid-Coyote flood protection project immediately and develop interim project alternatives by summer 2018.
 - iii. Direction to District staff to work with the City to develop and produce multi-lingual and culturally appropriate public outreach and education about the risks of flooding and flood safety to at-risk residents along Coyote Creek in advance of the 2017-2018 rain season.
- e. Actions for the City Council
 - i. Direction to City staff to draft for the Mayor's signature a letter of support for the District's requests for federal funding for flood protection projects along Coyote Creek and to join with the District in lobbying and outreach efforts.
4. Discussion of Stream Maintenance Efforts
 - a. Overview of the District's Stream Maintenance Program (SMP)
 - i. What activities does the District's Stream Maintenance Program cover? What doesn't it cover?
 - ii. What regulatory issues affect/apply to the SMP?
 - iii. When is work allowed under the SMP?

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- iv. What assessment takes place during SMP planning to identify and prioritize areas needing stream maintenance, e.g., channel debris/blockages, major trouble spots, etc.
 - v. What stream maintenance work was done under the SMP in advance of the 2016-2017 storm season?
 - vi. What role do private property owners have for stream maintenance on property they own?
 - b. Joint Actions (City Council/District Board)
 - i. Direction to City and District staff to work together to discuss shared roles and responsibilities for storm drain and flood protection maintenance and return at the next joint meeting with a Memorandum Of Understanding outlining these responsibilities.
 - c. Actions for the City Council
 - i. Direction to City staff to support the District's efforts to obtain regulatory permits from state and federal agencies for both maintenance and capital projects in a timely, efficient, and affordable manner.
5. Discussion of Future Flood Protection Efforts: Removing Obstacles to Provide Flood Protection for San José
- a. Community Rating System Overview: How Flood Protection Efforts Reduce Flood Insurance Rates for San José
 - i. District's role in floodplain management
 - ii. City's role in floodplain management
 - b. Overview of completed projects in San José
 - i. Downtown/Lower Guadalupe
 - ii. Lower Coyote
 - c. Overview of projects underway in San José
 - i. Lower Silver Creek
 - ii. South San Francisco Bay Shoreline Project (Pond A-18 issue)
 - iii. Upper Guadalupe River Project (Reach 6 to 12)
 - iv. Lake Cunningham
 - d. Joint Actions (Board of Directors/City Council)
 - i. That the District and City reaffirm their commitment to collaboration on the South San Francisco Bay Shoreline Authorized Project for Economic Impact Area 11 and to continue working together collaboratively regarding Pond A18; and to work collaboratively to address the short- and long-term project staging, construction, operations, maintenance, and recreational needs of the South San Francisco Bay Shoreline Authorized Project for Economic Impact Area 11.
 - ii. That the City and the District affirm their commitment to consider public safety and stewardship of creek corridors as part of future project planning, taking into account the need for proactive enforcement, cleanup efforts, Park Rangers, and other efforts.
 - e. Board of Directors Actions
 - i. Direction to District staff to consider recreational/trail improvements as part of ongoing and future flood protection work, recognizing that the City would be a partner in contributing to this effort.

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- f. City Council Actions
 - i. Direction to City staff to draft for the Mayor's signature a letter of support for the District's requests for federal funding for flood protection projects in the City of San José and to join with the District in related lobbying and outreach efforts.
 - 6. Discussion of the Anderson Dam Seismic Retrofit Project
 - a. Overview and Update on the project
 - b. Board Actions:
 - i. Direction to District staff to identify and provide the City with information about additional actions the City can take to advocate for federal, state or regional funding for Anderson Dam.
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- **Public Comments**
 - **Adjourn**