

**Special Meeting of the Board of Directors
12:00pm, Thursday, April 28, 2022
AGENDA**

Pursuant to Assembly Bill 361, this meeting will be conducted via teleconference to minimize the spread of COVID-19. Members of the public may access this meeting telephonically and have the opportunity to provide comment by calling the following number and entering the Conference ID.

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Each item on the agenda, no matter how described, shall be deemed to include any appropriate motion, whether to adopt a minute motion, resolution, payment of any bill, approval of any matter or action, or any other action. Items listed as "For information" or "For discussion" may also be the subject of an "action" taken by the Board or a Committee at the same meeting.

1. DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

2. ANNOUNCEMENT: THIS IS A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AS IT IS NOT OCCURRING ON THE REGULAR MEETING SCHEDULE.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.3

To make a Public Comment, click on the hand symbol on your screen to be placed in the queue, and when recognized and un-muted, please announce your name for the record.

4. ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO THE AGENDA

Determine the need to add items to the agenda. In order for the Board to add an item to the agenda it must make a determination that: (i) The item came to the attention of the Board after the posting of the agenda; (ii) That there is a need for immediate action to be taken by the Board. If these two tests are met, the Board may add the item in question to the agenda for consideration consistent with the provisions of the Brown Act.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

5A. Approve the minutes of March 24, 2022, Special Meeting of Board of Directors

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Board of Directors approve the minutes of the February 24, 2022, Special Board of Directors Meeting as submitted.

6. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION #22-001 TO ALLOW MEETINGS TO BE HELD REMOTELY CONSISTENT WITH THE BROWN ACT AND ASSEMBLY BILL 361

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends that if the Board makes required findings pursuant to law, the Board of Directors approve conducting meetings via teleconference until further notice, pursuant to the Brown Act and Assembly Bill 361. See attached resolution 22-001.

7. CONFIRM MEMBERSHIP OF AGENCIES

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Board of Directors approve the membership of the following agencies of the Board: Cal Mutuals/JPRIMA, Eastern Municipal Water District, Inland Empire Utilities Agency, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District, and West Valley Water District.

8. CONFIRM REPRESENTATIVES OF MEMBER AGENCIES

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Board of Directors approve the following as appointed representatives of member agencies: Susan Allen, CalMutuals/JPRIMA; Jasmin Hall, IEUA; Lisa Dye, IEUA alternate; Phil Paule, EMWD; Pacal Cornejo, EMWD alternate; Naseem Farooqi, WVMD alternate

9. CONFIRM EXISTING EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Board of Directors approve the existing Ex-Officio members, Channing Hawkins and Gracie Torres.

10. APPROVE BYLAWS OF IEWORKS

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Board of Directors approve the Final Draft of the Bylaws of IEWorks, as shared via email on April 12, 2022.

11. IEWORKS MANAGER'S REPORT

Staff Recommendation: For discussion and possible action.

12. IEWORKS REGULAR BOARD MEETING DATES

Thursday, May 19th at 12:00pm
Thursday, June 16th at 12:00pm
Thursday, July 21st at 12:00pm

13. CLOSED SESSION (No Closed Session items to be considered at this meeting.)



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14. ADJOURNMENT

The Board will adjourn to the next special Board of Directors meeting currently scheduled for May 19, 2022, at 12:00 PM.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), if special assistance is needed to participate in the meeting, please contact the IEWorks Manager at (415) 802-5576 for assistance to enable IEWorks to make reasonable accommodations.

All public records relating to an agenda item on this agenda are available for public inspection at the time the record is distributed to all, or a majority of all, members of the Board. Request for such records shall be made available by emailing the IEWorks Manager at sgoodell@jvs.org.

Agendas are available at the IEWorks website, www.ieworks.org.

EXHAUSTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE REMEDIES – If you challenge an IEWorks action in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the IEWorks Manager at, or prior to, the public hearing. Any written correspondence delivered to the IEWorks office before the IEWorks' final action on a matter will become a part of the administrative record.

RESOLUTION NO. 22-001

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF IEWORKS ESTABLISHING THE NEED TO MEET VIA TELECONFERENCING

WHEREAS, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control (CDC), the California Department of Public Health, and the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health, COVID-19 continues to pose a serious public health threat. A surge of COVID-19 infections has occurred largely resulting from the Delta and Omicron variants, both highly transmissible variants, and the unvaccinated remain at the highest risk of serious illness, including hospitalizations and death; and

WHEREAS, IEWorks is committed to preserving and nurturing public access and participation in meetings of its Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, the Brown Act, Government Code section 54953(e), makes provisions for remote teleconferencing participation in meetings by members of a legislative body, without compliance with the requirements of Government Code section 54953(b)(3), subject to the existence of certain conditions; and

WHEREAS, a required condition is that a state of emergency is proclaimed, and state or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing; and

WHEREAS, on March 4, 2020, Governor Newsom declared a State of Emergency as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, the County of Los Angeles put into effect measures requiring social distancing and other public health measures and restrictions to help combat the COVID-19 pandemic; continues to recommend social distancing indoors, especially for those who remain unvaccinated; and

WHEREAS, the State of Emergency and social distancing and other public health measures remain in effect; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 continues to present an imminent threat to the health and lives of individuals notwithstanding vaccination rates; and

WHEREAS, the Delta and Omicron variants are highly transmissible in indoor settings; and

WHEREAS, indoor, in-person meetings provide an increased risk of transmission of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the lack of social distancing still creates a risk of transmission should Board of Directors meetings run their normal length of time.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of IEWorks that:

Section 1: Imminent Risk to Health and Safety. Due to COVID-19, holding Board of Directors, standing committee meetings, and other legislative body meetings in person will present imminent risk to the health and safety of attendees and IEWorks staff and Directors due to the inability to maintain sufficient social distancing, and the high transmissibility rate of COVID-19.

Section 2: Compliance with Government Code Section 54953. The Board of Directors, all standing committees, and all other legislative bodies will continue to meet via teleconferencing in accordance with Cal. Gov't. Code § 54953(e) as modified by Assembly Bill 361.

Section 3: Effective Date of Resolution. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption and shall be effective until the earlier of: (1) thirty days from the adoption of this Resolution; or (2) such time that the Board of Directors adopts a subsequent agenda item by majority vote, to extend the time during which the Board of Directors, standing committees, and all other legislative bodies of IEWorks of California may continue to teleconference without compliance with paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Section 54953 of the California Government Code.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of IEWorks on April 28, 2022, by the following votes:

| | AYES: | NOES: | ABSENT: | ABSTAIN: |
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| Representative of Member Agency CalMutuals/JPRIMA | | | | |
| Representative of Member Agency EMWD | | | | |
| Representative of Member Agency IEUA | | | | |
| Representative of Member Agency SBVMWD | | | | |
| Representative of Member Agency WVWD | | | | |
| Ex-Officio Representative | | | | |
| Ex-Officio Representative | | | | |

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Channing Hawkins
President, Board of Directors

Gracie Torres
Secretary/Treasurer, Board of Directors

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Leal Trejo APC, Attorneys for IEWORKS