AGENDA
MESA WATER DISTRICT
SPECIAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2015 AT 12:00 PM
PANIAN CONFERENCE ROOM

Committee Members: President Shawn Dewane, Chair
Ethan Temianka, Vice President
Paul E. Shoenberger, P.E., General Manager
Coleen L. Monteleone, Administrative Services Manager
Denise Garcia, Executive Assistant to the General Manager

PUBLIC COMMENTS

**Non-Agendized Matters:** Members of the public are invited to address the Board on matters which are not on the Agenda. Each speaker is limited to three (3) minutes. The Board will set aside thirty (30) minutes for public comments.

**Agendized Matters:** Members of the public may comment on Agenda items before action is taken, or after the Board has discussed the item. Each speaker is limited to five (5) minutes.

PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:
*Items recommended for approval at this meeting may be agendized for approval at a future Board meeting.*

1. Conservation Update
2. Huntington Beach Project Update
3. Shared Services Update
4. Water Legislation Update
5. City/Districts Liaison Committee Meeting Topics

ACTION ITEMS:

6. Retirement Health Plan

REPORTS:

7. Future Agenda Topics and Conference Schedule
9. Directors’ Reports and Comments
INFORMATION ITEMS:

10. Other (no enclosure)

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ADJOURNMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO: Executive Committee
FROM: Paul E. Shoenberger, P.E., General Manager
DATE: June 2, 2015
SUBJECT: Conservation Update

RECOMMENDATION

This item is for discussion only.

STRATEGIC PLAN

Goal #1: Provide a safe, abundant, and reliable water supply.
Goal #2: Practice perpetual infrastructure renewal and improvement.
Goal #3: Be financially responsible and transparent.
Goal #4: Increase public awareness about Mesa Water® and about water.
Goal #6: Provide outstanding customer service.

PRIOR BOARD ACTION/DISCUSSION

None.

DISCUSSION

Staff will provide an update at the Executive Committee meeting.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact.

ATTACHMENTS

None.
MEMORANDUM

TO: Executive Committee  
FROM: Paul E. Shoenberger, P.E., General Manager  
DATE: June 2, 2015  
SUBJECT: Huntington Beach Project Update

RECOMMENDATION
This item is provided for discussion only.

STRATEGIC PLAN
Goal #1: Provide a safe, abundant, and reliable water supply.
Goal #2: Practice perpetual infrastructure renewal and improvement.
Goal #3: Be financially responsible and transparent.
Goal #4: Increase public awareness about Mesa Water® and about water.
Goal #5: Attract and retain skilled employees.
Goal #6: Provide outstanding customer service.
Goal #7: Actively participate in regional water issues.

PRIOR BOARD ACTION/DISCUSSION
None.

DISCUSSION
Staff will provide an update at the Executive Committee meeting.

FINANCIAL IMPACT
There is no financial impact.

ATTACHMENTS
None.
RECOMMENDATION

This item is provided for discussion only.

STRATEGIC PLAN

Goal #1: Provide a safe, abundant, and reliable water supply.
Goal #2: Practice perpetual infrastructure renewal and improvement.
Goal #3: Be financially responsible and transparent.
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Goal #6: Provide outstanding customer service.
Goal #7: Actively participate in regional water issues.

PRIOR BOARD ACTION/DISCUSSION

None.

DISCUSSION

Staff will provide an update at the Executive Committee meeting.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact.

ATTACHMENTS

None.
RECOMMENDATION

This item is for discussion only.

STRATEGIC PLAN

Goal #4: Increase public awareness about Mesa Water® and about water.
Goal #7: Actively participate in regional water issues.

PRIOR BOARD ACTION/DISCUSSION

None.

DISCUSSION

Staff will provide an update at the Executive Committee Meeting.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact for this presentation.

ATTACHMENTS

None.
MEMORANDUM

TO: Executive Committee
FROM: Coleen L. Monteleone, Administrative Services Manager
DATE: June 2, 2015
SUBJECT: City/Districts Liaison Committee Meeting Topics

RECOMMENDATION

Provide guidance to staff on topics for the June 12, 2015 City/Districts Liaison Committee meeting agenda.

STRATEGIC PLAN

Goal #4: Increase public awareness about Mesa Water® and about water.
Goal #7: Actively participate in regional water issues.

DISCUSSION

The next City/Districts Liaison Committee meeting is scheduled for Friday, June 12, 2015 at 8:00 a.m. and is being hosted by the Costa Mesa Sanitary District. Staff is requesting guidance from the Committee for agenda topics.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact.

ATTACHMENTS

None.
MEMORANDUM

TO: Executive Committee
FROM: Coleen L. Monteleone, Administrative Services Manager
DATE: June 2, 2015
SUBJECT: Retirement Health Plan – Federal Recognition of Marriage between Same-Sex spouses.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommend the Board of Directors approve a Resolution for changes to the Retirement Health Plan (RHS) to reflect the federal recognition of marriage between same-sex spouses.

STRATEGIC PLAN

Goal #5: Attract and retain skilled employees.

PRIOR BOARD ACTION/DISCUSSION

The Board of Directors previously adopted Resolution No. 1356, which established and maintains a retiree health savings plan, effective January 4, 2008.

DISCUSSION

On January 4, 2008, the Board of Directors approved a retiree health savings plan in the form of the ICMA Retirement Corporation’s VantageCare Retirement Health Savings program.

In 2013, the U.S Supreme Court ruled the Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA) definition of “marriage” as the legal union between one man and one woman, was unconstitutional. Federal law now recognizes same-sex marriages, and the state the marriage takes place, determines whether a same-sex spouse is entitled to the same benefits as an opposite-sex spouse under federal law.

RHS plans must provide same-sex spouses whose marriages are valid as of September 16, 2013 with the same rights available to spouses of the opposite sex.

- Eligible Expenses – Participants may use RHS plan assets for tax-free reimbursements of qualifying medical expenses attributable to their spouses.
- Survivor Benefits – In the event of a participant’s death, his or her spouse is entitled to use any remaining funds in the RHS plan account for qualifying medical expenses.

The resolution was modeled after ICMA’s sample.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: Resolution No. XXXX
RESOLUTION NO. XXXX

RESOLUTION OF THE
MESA WATER DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS
AMENDING THE RETIREMENT HEALTH SAVINGS PLAN
DEFINING DEFINITION OF SPOUSE

WHEREAS, the Mesa Water District (Mesa Water®) is a county water district organized and operating according to California law; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of Mesa Water District has previously adopted Resolution No. 1356, which established and maintains a retiree health savings plan in the form of the ICMA Retirement Corporation’s VantageCare Retirement Health Savings program (Plan Number 801625), effective January 4, 2008), as amended (Plan); and

WHEREAS, the assets of the Plan are held in trust for the exclusive benefit of Plan Participants and their spouses and dependents, and shall not be diverted to any other purpose prior to the satisfaction of all liabilities of the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Plan has operated in accordance with federal recognition of same-sex spouses; and

WHEREAS, an amendment to Mesa Water’s Plan in accordance with federal recognition of same-sex spouses is adopted to comply with Internal Revenue Service guidance issued in response to the Supreme Court’s decision in United States v. Windsor.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MESA WATER DISTRICT DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DETERMINE, AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Board of Directors of Mesa Water® hereby amends the Plan to define the term “Spouse” as the Participant’s lawful spouse as determined under the laws of the jurisdiction in which the Participant was married.

Section 2. Mesa Water’s Declaration of Trust of the Integral Part Trust and Retiree Welfare Benefit documents are amended, as applicable, to include the federal recognition of same-sex spouses. The Plan allows same-sex spouses to receive tax-free reimbursements for all same sex marriages that are valid as of September 16, 2013.

ADOPTED, SIGNED, and APPROVED this <DATE> day of <MONTH> <YEAR> by a roll call vote.

AYES: DIRECTORS:
NOES: DIRECTORS:
ABSENT: DIRECTORS:
ABSTAIN: DIRECTORS:

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Shawn Dewane
President, Board of Directors

Coleen L. Monteleone
District Secretary
State of California
County of Orange

I, Coleen L. Monteleone, District Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Mesa Water District, do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. ____________ was duly passed and adopted by the Board of Directors of the Mesa Water District at its Board meeting held on ______________, 2015 by the following vote:

AYES: DIRECTORS:
NOES: DIRECTORS:
ABSENT: DIRECTORS:
ABSTAIN: DIRECTORS:

________________________________________
Coleen L. Monteleone
District Secretary
RESOLUTION NO. XXXX

ATTACHMENT A

RESOLUTION OF THE
MESA WATER DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS
AMENDING THE RETIREMENT HEALTH SAVINGS PLAN
DEFINING DEFINITION OF SPOUSE

Mesa Water District
Retirement Health Savings Plan
Amendment Defining Definition of Spouse
(Plan Number 801625)
Mesa Water District, as Plan Sponsor, hereby amends its VantageCare Retirement Health Savings Plan by adopting the following revisions to the Plan documents.

DECLARATION OF TRUST OF MESA WATER DISTRICT INTEGRAL PART TRUST

ARTICLE 1.1(h)
DEFINITION OF “SPOUSE”

1.1.(h) “Spouse” means the Participant’s lawful spouse as determined under the laws of the jurisdiction in which the Participant was married.

MESA WATER DISTRICT RETIREE WELFARE BENEFITS PLAN

ARTICLE 2.11
DEFINITION OF “SPOUSE”

2.11 “Spouse” means the Participant’s lawful spouse as determined under the laws of the jurisdiction in which the Participant was married. All other defined terms in this Plan shall have the same meanings specified in the various Articles of the Plan in which they appear.
MEMORANDUM

TO: Executive Committee
FROM: Paul E. Shoenberger, P.E., General Manager
DATE June 2, 2015
SUBJECT: Future Agenda Topics and Conference Schedule

RECOMMENDATION

Review future agenda topics and conference schedule.

STRATEGIC PLAN

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PRIOR BOARD ACTION/DISCUSSION

None.

DISCUSSION

Staff will provide an updated future agenda topics and conference schedule at the Executive Committee meeting.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact.

ATTACHMENTS

None.
REPORTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS:

8. REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER:
REPORTS AND INFORMATION ITEMS:

9. DIRECTORS' REPORTS AND COMMENTS:
There are no support materials for this item.