

To be held in person and via teleconference per Brown Act, Section 54953(b)&(c), at the:

SANTA CLARITA CITY HALL
23920 Valencia Boulevard
Santa Clarita, CA 91355

and

**KENNETH HAHN HALL OF
ADMINISTRATION***
500 West Temple Street, Room 864
Los Angeles, CA 90012

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THE DISTRICT MAY TAKE ACTION ON ANY AGENDA ITEM LISTED BELOW

THURSDAY	November 14, 2024	At 2:00 P.M.
Governing Body	Director	Alternate
SANTA CLARITA	SMYTH	MC LEAN
SANTA CLARITA	WESTE (Chairperson)	MC LEAN
LOS ANGELES COUNTY	HORVATH	BARGER*

At the call of the Chairperson, a special meeting of the Board of Directors of Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County will be held at the above time and place for the purpose of:

1. Public Comment
2. Approve Minutes of Regular Meeting Held October 21, 2024
3. Approve August 2024 Expenses in Amount of \$5,065,698

Summary: Local District expenses represent costs that are the sole responsibility of the individual District. Allocated expenses represent the District’s proportionate share of expenses made by District No. 2, the administrative District, on its behalf pursuant to the Joint Administration Agreement. This Agreement provides for the joint administration and technical support for all of the signatory Districts along with the methodology for determining the proportionate costs for each District. A listing of Districts’ payments and previously approved budgets can be found on the Districts’ website at lacsd.org/financial-documents. This item is consistent with the Districts’ Guiding Principle of commitment to fiscal responsibility and prudent financial stewardship.

Local District Expenses:	
Operations & Maintenance	\$3,490,620
Capital	902,488
Allocated Expenses:	
Joint Administration	291,163
Technical Support	381,427
Total Expenses	<u>\$5,065,698</u>

4. Authorize Extension of Purchase Orders as Follows:

- (a) To Univar Solutions USA, LLC, (Univar) in Amount of Approximately \$741,200 to Furnish and Deliver Sulfuric Acid for Advanced Water Treatment (AWT) at Valencia Water Reclamation Plant (WRP) for One Year Period

Summary: In September 2023, subsequent to competitive bids, the Board authorized the issuance of a purchase order to Univar to furnish and deliver sulfuric acid to the Valencia WRP. The AWT Facility at the Valencia WRP uses sulfuric acid to maintain process chemistry and pH control for compliant membrane operations. The agreement allows for three 1-year extensions upon mutual agreement. Univar has offered to extend the agreement with a price increase of 10 percent from \$198.00/ton to \$218.00/ton; this is the first one-year extension. This price increase is consistent with the supplier’s documented increase due to increased costs of raw materials and remains below what other nearby agencies are paying for sulfuric acid. This item is consistent with the Districts’ Guiding Principle of commitment to operational excellence (protection of public health and the environment, regulatory compliance, and cost effectiveness).

4. Contd.

- (b) To Ancon Services (Ancon) in Amount of Approximately \$6,627,140 to Perform Brine Hauling for Advanced Water Treatment Facility (AWTF) at Valencia Water Reclamation Plant (WRP) for One Year Period

Summary: In September 2023, subsequent to competitive bids, the Board authorized the issuance of a purchase order to Ancon to perform brine hauling services from the Valencia WRP to the A.K. Warren Water Resource Facility (Warren Facility). Brine hauling is the only way to dispose of brine waste high in chlorides and is critical to the AWTF operation. The agreement allows for three 1-year extensions upon mutual agreement. Ancon has offered to extend the agreement with a price increase of 18 percent from \$0.300/gallon to \$0.355/gallon; this is the first one-year extension. This price increase includes the Warren Facility Liquid Waste Disposal Station disposal fees previously not included on the original bid and remains the lowest competitive bid. This item is consistent with the Districts' Guiding Principle of commitment to operational excellence (protection of public health and the environment, regulatory compliance, and cost effectiveness).

5. Approve Change Order No. 6 to Contract No. 5447 with Blois Construction, Inc., for Construction of *Soledad Canyon Relief Trunk Sewer Section 4* (Project); Resulting in Payment of \$700,000 for Extra Work

Summary: As part of the Project, the contractor was required to construct approximately 310 feet of 27-inch-diameter vitrified clay pipe sewer and appurtenant structures adjacent to the Santa Clara River. During the design phase of the Project, the riverbed was dry due to drought conditions, and the groundwater table was below the elevation of the proposed sewer. As a result of heavy rainstorms that occurred in 2023 and 2024, the groundwater table had risen to approximately 30 feet above what was presented in the contract documents. This changed site condition interfered with the contractor's ability to complete the construction of the proposed sewer as originally planned. The contractor was therefore directed to furnish, install, and operate dewatering equipment to manage the high groundwater conditions and complete construction of the proposed sewer. This item is consistent with the Districts' Guiding Principles to protect financial and facility assets through prudent investment and maintenance programs; and commitment to operational excellence (protection of public health and the environment, regulatory compliance, and cost effectiveness).

6. Introduce Director Compensation Ordinance

Summary: In May 2024, the Personnel Committee provided direction to draft a new Director Compensation Ordinance as the stipend has not changed since 2001. The proposed Ordinance, which is attached, would increase compensation to \$175 per meeting, which is equivalent to a 1.7 percent annual increase since the last compensation increase. For Directors attending multiple meetings on the same day, they would be compensated at \$125 per meeting, which is unchanged from the existing stipend. Additionally, the proposed Ordinance institutes an annual increase in the stipend based on inflation, not to exceed 5 percent per year. This item is consistent with the Districts' Guiding Principle of commitment to fiscal responsibility and prudent financial stewardship.

Adjourn

Status Report: Prior to or during the meeting session, the Chief Engineer and General Manager may update the Directors on various matters concerning the Districts that may be of current interest to the Directors.

Public Comment: Members of the public may address the Board of Directors on any item shown on the agenda or matter under the Board's authority. A "Request to Address Board of Directors" form is available. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you require special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the Secretary to the Boards' Office (562) 908-4288, extension 1100. Notification of 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable staff to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting. (28CFR 35.101 et seq. ADA Title II).

Document Requests: Links to supporting documents are available online at the time of posting. Agendas and supporting documents or other writings that will be distributed to Board members in connection with matters subject to discussion or consideration at this meeting that are not exempt from disclosure under the Public Records Act are available for inspection following the posting of this agenda at the office of the Secretary to the Boards of Directors located at the Districts' Joint Administration Building, 1955 Workman Mill Road, Whittier, California, 90601, or at the time of the meeting at the address posted on this agenda.

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING COMPENSATION FOR MEMBERS
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF SANTA CLARITA VALLEY
SANITATION DISTRICT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY

SECTION 1.0 AUTHORITY

Pursuant to Section 4733 of the California Health and Safety Code, the Board of Directors of Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District (the “Board”) of the Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts (the “Districts”) may, by ordinance, fix the amount of compensation paid to each Board member for each Board meeting attended or for each day’s service rendered as a Board member, together with any incidental expenses incurred as a result of Board duties (the “Incidental Expenses”). Pursuant to Districts Ordinance titled “An Ordinance Providing Compensation for Members of the Board of Directors for County Sanitation District No. 32 of Los Angeles County”, the current rate of compensation is \$125 for each Board meeting attended or for each day’s services rendered, together with any Incidental Expenses.

Pursuant to Section 4733 of the California Health and Safety Code, the Board may, by ordinance adopted pursuant to Water Code Section 20200-20207, increase the amount of compensation to be paid to Board Members for each day’s service.

Pursuant to Water Code Section 20200-20207, the Board may, after holding a public hearing, adopt an ordinance increasing Board Member compensation for each day’s service in an amount not to exceed five percent (5%) for each calendar year following the operative date of the last adjustment.

SECTION 2.0 REPEAL OF ORDINANCE

Districts Ordinance titled “An Ordinance Providing Compensation for Members of the Board of Directors for County Sanitation District No. 32 of Los Angeles County” is hereby repealed in its entirety and shall immediately become ineffective upon the effective date of this Ordinance.

SECTION 3.0 COMPENSATION

- A. A member of the Board of this District shall be compensated at the rate of \$175 plus incidental expenses for:
1. Each meeting of the Board attended by that member.
 2. Each Service Event, in which a member of the Board renders service on behalf of the Districts either individually or in conjunction with other Districts by request of the Board including, but no limited to:
 - (a) Attending scheduled tours of Districts facilities.
 - (b) Attending meetings, other than Board meetings, including meetings of the Personnel and/or Collective Committees, as those same are defined in the Amended Joint Administration Agreement dated September 10, 2014, as that Agreement may be amended from time to time.
 - (c) Rendering service at the request of the Chief Engineer and General Manager of the Districts on matters the Board has previously delegated authority to the Chief Engineer and General Manager of the Districts and the Board has previously

determined are compensable to the Board member and in accordance with the requirements of Sections 53232 *et. seq.* of the California Government Code.

(d) Rendering service on any matter the Board has authorized a member of the Board to act and which the Board has previously determined are compensable to the Board member and in accordance with the requirements of Sections 53232 *et. seq.* of the California Government Code.

3. In the event that the member attends more than one meeting or Service Event on the same day, the rate of compensation is \$125 per meeting or Service Event.

B. Pursuant to Section 4733 of the California Health and Safety Code, compensation payable to a member of the Board shall be limited to a maximum of six (6) days in any calendar month, together with any Incidental Expenses.

C. If any of the services rendered by a member of the Board of Directors of this District or incidental expenses are common to more than one County Sanitation District of Los Angeles County which has provided for the payment of compensation to Board members, the compensation to be paid by this District shall be equal to the rate provided in Section 2.0 (A) divided by the number of such County Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County being represented by the member.

D. On July 1 of each year, beginning with July 1, 2026, the amount of compensation, as laid out in Section 3A above, shall increase by the increase in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) for Los Angeles-Long Beach for the 12-month period ending in the preceding March, rounded to the nearest whole dollar, not to exceed five percent (5%) unless said increase is waived by the Board.

SECTION 4.0 SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this Ordinance is adjudged by a Court of proper jurisdiction to be invalid, or unenforceable, it is the intention of the Board adopting this Ordinance that all other provisions of this Ordinance shall remain valid and fully enforceable.

SECTION 5.0 EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall become effective January 1, 2025, or sixty (60) days following its adoption, whichever is later. The Clerk of the Board shall certify the adoption of this Ordinance and shall cause a summary to be published in a newspaper of general circulation as required by law.

ATTEST:

Clerk, Board of Directors
Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District
of Los Angeles County

Chairperson, Board of Directors
Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District
of Los Angeles County

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District of Los Angeles County on _____ by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

Secretary of the Board of Directors
Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District
of Los Angeles County