

To be held at the A.K. WARREN WATER RESOURCE FACILITY  
 24501 South Figueroa Street, Carson, California

THE DISTRICT MAY TAKE ACTION ON ANY AGENDA ITEM LISTED BELOW

WEDNESDAY	November 20, 2024	At 11:00 A.M.
Governing Body	Director	Alternate
CULVER CITY	MC MORRIN	O'BRIEN
EL SEGUNDO	BOYLES	PIMENTEL
GARDENA	CERDA (Chairperson)	HENDERSON
HAWTHORNE	VARGAS	MONTEIRO
INGLEWOOD	BUTTS	-----
LAWNDALE	PULLEN-MILES	KEARNEY
LOMITA	UPHOFF	GAZELEY
LOS ANGELES CITY	KREKORIAN	MC OSKER
MANHATTAN BEACH	FRANKLIN	HOWORTH
PALOS VERDES ESTATES	MURDOCK	LOZZI
RANCHO PALOS VERDES	CRUIKSHANK	ALEGRIA
REDONDO BEACH	LIGHT	LOEWENSTEIN
ROLLING HILLS	WILSON	-----
ROLLING HILLS ESTATES	SCHMITZ	-----
TORRANCE	CHEN	KAJI
LOS ANGELES COUNTY	HORVATH	HAHN

1. Abbreviated Director Tour of A.K. Warren Water Resource Facility (Warren Facility) at 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Summary: On the October 16, 2024, the meeting was adjourned to Wednesday, November 20, 2024, at 11:00 a.m., for the purpose of receiving a report by the Chief Engineer and General Manager on the current status of operations at the Warren Facility. The presentation and Director tour are anticipated to take approximately two hours. The regular business for the Board’s consideration will begin promptly at the regular meeting time of 1:30 p.m.

2. Public Comment
3. Approve Minutes of Regular Meeting Held September 18, 2024
4. Approve July and August 2024 Expenses in Amount of \$5,561

Summary: Local District expenses represent costs that are the sole responsibility of the individual District. Allocated expenses, which are generally distributed twice per year in conjunction with the receipt of the District’s service charge revenue, represent the District’s proportionate share of expenses made by the Joint Outfall System pursuant to the Joint Outfall Agreement. The Agreement provides for the joint administration, technical support and management of the operations, maintenance, and capital costs associated with all the shared facilities 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 [lacs.org/financial-documents](https://lacs.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	\$5,561
Total Expenses	<u>\$5,561</u>

5. Authorize Settlement of Industrial Wastewater Connection Fee Obligations of Luxurious Properties LLC, in Principal Sum of \$59,395.97, plus Penalty, Interest and Returned Check Fee, and Authorize Chief Engineer and General Manager and District Counsel to Take All Appropriate Steps to Secure Collection of All Past Due Amounts Including Authority to Institute Litigation, Stipulate to Judgment, and Execute Settlement Agreement that Provides for Payment of Indebtedness on Periodic Basis

Summary: This company provided a check to pay their connection fee in order to receive a Certificate of Occupancy from the City of Los Angeles, then intentionally stopped payment on the check in order to avoid paying the connection fee. The company refuses to pay the connection fee due. The issue was discussed with staff at the City of Los Angeles, but they will not revoke the occupancy permit. This authorization includes any amounts otherwise due, and any additional amounts that become due prior to institution of litigation or settlement. This item is consistent with the Districts’ Guiding Principle of commitment to fiscal responsibility and prudent financial stewardship.

6. Introduce Director Compensation Ordinance (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.

7. Re: Joint Outfall System Financial Review for Fiscal Year 2023-24

Summary: The Chief Engineer and General Manager will review the Fiscal Year 2023-24 financial performance for the Joint Outfall System. 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 COUNTY SANITATION  
DISTRICT NO. 5 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY

**SECTION 1.0            AUTHORITY**

Pursuant to Section 4733 of the California Health and Safety Code, the Board of Directors of County Sanitation District No. 5 (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. 5 of Los Angeles County”, the current rate of compensation is \$125 for each Board meeting attended (or \$93.75 for each meeting if the Director is also a member of the South Bay Cities Sanitation District of Los Angeles County and attends of both Boards of Directors on the same date and at the same time), 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. 5 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:

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Clerk, Board of Directors  
County Sanitation District No. 5  
of Los Angeles County

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Chairperson, Board of Directors  
County Sanitation District No. 5  
of Los Angeles County

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of County Sanitation District No. 5  
of Los Angeles County on \_\_\_\_\_ by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

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Secretary of the Board of Directors  
County Sanitation District No. 5  
of Los Angeles County