WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNTY REGIONAL CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES Monday, May 1, 2023

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting of the Executive Committee was called to order by Chair Natasha Johnson at 11:32 a.m., in the March Field Conference Room at the County of Riverside Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon Street, Third Floor, Riverside, California, 92501.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Members/Alternates Present

Natasha Johnson Kevin Bash Karen Spiegel

*Arrived after the meeting was called to order.

Members Absent

Patricia Lock-Dawson James Stewart

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE 3.

Kevin Jeffries *

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair Johnson.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no requests to speak from the public.

5. **ADDITIONS / REVISIONS**

There were no additions or revisions to the agenda.

6. **CONSENT CALENDAR** – All matters on the Consent Calendar will be approved in a single motion unless a Board Member(s) requests separate action on specific item(s).

M/S/C (Ruiz/Bash) to approve the following Consent Calendar items.

- 6A. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES – FEBRUARY 6, 2023**
- 6B. **RECURRING CONTRACTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023/24**
 - 1) Approve the single-year recurring contracts in an amount not to exceed \$3,791,708, for FY 2023/24; and

2) Authorize the Chair or Executive Director, pursuant to legal counsel review, to execute the agreements on behalf of RCA.

6C. QUARTERLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

- 1) Receive and file the Quarterly Financial Statements for the nine months ended March 31, 2023, and
- 2) Approve the Fiscal Year 2022/23 budget adjustment in Attachment 2.

7. ADOPTION OF FISCAL YEAR 2023/24 BUDGET AND APPROVAL OF THE BIOLOGICAL MONITORING PROGRAM WORKPLANS

Jennifer Fuller, Financial Administration Manager, provided a presentation on the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2023/24 Budget and approval of the Biological Monitoring Program Workplans.

Chair Johnson inquired if staff took into consideration that the federal government's financial stability is currently unstable. Aaron Hake, Deputy Executive Director, noted that the grant funding that staff is anticipating from the federal government comes from the water conservation fund and not the general fund.

At this time, Board Member Jefferies arrived.

Board Member Bash inquired about how unexpected property acquisitions are handled as they cannot be accounted for in the budget. Anne Mayer, Executive Director, stated any changes to the budget would require a budget adjustment and would be brought back to the Board for approval.

Board Member Ruiz complimented the budget document, noting it was easy to understand.

M/S/C (Ruiz/Bash) to:

Abstain: Jeffries

- 1) Adopt the FY 2023/24 Budget and related Resolution No. 2023-002 "Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority Adopting the Fiscal Year 2023/24 Operating and Capital Budget Including Budget Policies";
- 2) Approve the Biological Monitoring Program Work Plan and Cost Estimate included as Appendix B in the FY 2023/24 Budget; and
- 3) Approve the Clinton Keith Road Overcrossing Mitigation Monitoring Reimbursable Program Work Plan and Cost Estimate included as Appendix C in the FY 2023/24 Budget.

8. BOARD OF DIRECTORS / EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORTS

Anne Mayer, Executive Director, stated that the Chair, Vice Chair, and a few staff members would be traveling to Washington, D.C. on May 15th to have conversations regarding the need for adequate funding.

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for consideration by the Executive Committee, Chair Johnson adjourned the meeting at 11:51 a.m. The next meeting of the Executive Committee is scheduled to be held on **Monday, June 5, 2023.**

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Mobley

Administrative Services Manager/

Clerk of the Board