

June 11, 2024

Honorable Mayor and City Council
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommendation to adopt a Resolution appointing City Engineer Keith Hoey as the authorized Board Member to the Los Angeles Gateway Region Integrated Regional Water Management Joint Powers Authority, and appointing Civil Engineers Tammy Takigawa and Dillon O'Donohue as the authorized Alternate Board Members; and, authorize the City Manager, or designee, to designate, in writing, a representative if neither the Member nor the Alternate Members are available. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

In 2007, the Gateway Council of Governments formed the Los Angeles Gateway Region Integrated Regional Water Management Joint Powers Authority (GWMA) to pursue State and national level grant funding opportunities related to water quality projects. GWMA's bylaws require renewal of all appointments every two years.

In accordance with the GWMA bylaws adopted on October 12, 2015, all non-Legislative Body appointments to the GWMA Board must be by a Resolution adopted by the City Council. Legislative Body appointments may be done by minute order.

GWMA Board Members and Alternate Board Members serve two-year terms beginning October 1st of each odd-numbered year and concluding on September 30th two years later. The Resolution attached to this report would designate a Board Member and Alternate Board Members to serve continuously across successive two-year terms such that the governing body need not re-appoint the same persons to the GWMA Board every two years, unless the governing body desired to change its designated Board Member and/or Alternate Board Members or must otherwise fill a vacancy.

Staff recommend, due to vacancy, appointing Keith Hoey, City Engineer, as the primary GWMA Board Member, and Dillon O'Donohue, Civil Engineer, and Tammy Takigawa, Civil Engineer, as the Alternate Board Members. Due to the recent vacancy of the Stormwater Management Division, Project Management Officer position, Mr. Hoey will be replacing the appointment with the support of Ms. Takigawa and Mr. O'Donohue.

The City of Long Beach (City) has been an active participant since the formation of the GWMA.

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These appointments will replace the former Project Management Officer, in the capacity as the Primary Board Member, and Senior Civil Engineer, designated as the alternate.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Vanessa S. Ibarra on May 2, 2024, and by Budget Management Officer Nader Kaamoush on May 1, 2024.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on June 11, 2024, to ensure the City continues to be represented on the GWMA's Board.

FISCAL IMPACT

This recommendation has no staffing impact beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties and is consistent with existing City Council priorities. There is no fiscal or local job impacts associated with this recommendation.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



Eric Lopez
Director
Public Works

APPROVED:



THOMAS B. MODICA
CITY MANAGER