



Southeast Water Coalition

A joint powers authority to protect the Central Groundwater Basin

Meeting Agenda Announcement

Assembly Bill (“AB”) 361, signed into law on September 16, 2021, amends Government Code section 54953 to provide authority and specific requirements for public agencies to hold virtual meetings during a proclaimed state of emergency and remain in compliance with the Brown Act (Gov. Code §§ 54950 et seq.).

Consistent with mandates of AB 361, some, or all, SEWC Board Members may attend this meeting virtually. A physical location from which members of the public may observe the meeting or offer public comment will not be made available. Commerce City Hall will not be open to the public for this meeting; however viewing and public comment options are provided below.

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Meeting ID: 948 8314 4982

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Public Comment/Question options:

- Email: kjservicesenviro@gmail.com
- Voicemail: (323) 722-4805 ext. 2812

Please submit email and voicemail public comments by at least 2:30 p.m. on the date of the meeting to ensure SEWC Members receive and have time to review them. All email and voicemails received by 2:30 p.m. are forwarded to SEWC Members. Email and voicemails received after 2:30 p.m. but before the conclusion of the public comment portion will be entered into the record.

AGENDA

SOUTHEAST WATER COALITION

REGULAR MEETING OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE ENTITY

THURSDAY, JANUARY 20, 2022

3:00 PM

1. ROLL CALL

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

*****Consent Calendar items will be considered and approved in one motion unless removed by an Administrative Entity Member for discussion.*****

**a. SEWC ADMINISTRATIVE ENTITY MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 18, 2021
REGULAR MEETING**

Recommendation: Approve minutes as submitted.

**b. MAKE FINDINGS PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION
54953(e)(3) ESTABLISHED BY ASSEMBLY BILL 361 - NEW
LEGISLATION REGARDING PUBLIC MEETINGS AND
TELECONFERENCING**

Recommendation: That the Administrative Entity take the following actions:

1) Make the following findings pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)(3):

a) the Board has reconsidered the circumstances of the COVID-19 state of emergency; and

b) state and local officials continue to recommend measures to promote social distancing.

*****End of Consent Calendar*****

4. MWD WATER CONSERVATION PROGRAMS

Gina Nila, AE Chair, City of Commerce
Kevin Sales, KJServices Environmental Consulting

Recommendation: That the Administrative Entity take the following action:

Receive and file an update on the Metropolitan Water District's Water Conservation Programs.

5. PFAS UPDATES: IMPACTS OF A POTENTIAL CERCLA LISTING, PFAS LITIGATION – CITIES OF DOWNEY AND WHITTIER

Gina Nila, AE Chair, City of Commerce
Nick Ghirelli, Richards, Watson & Gershon

Recommendation: That the Administrative Entity take the following action:

Receive and file an update on the possible listing of PFAS chemicals on the Federal CERCLA listing, and the litigation by the cities of Downey and Whittier against the manufacturers of products containing PFAS chemical, and other potential responsible parties.

6. CBMWD – POTENTIAL WATER LEGISLATION, CBMWD REDISTRICTING UPDATE

Gina Nila, AE Chair, City of Commerce
Nick Ghirelli, Richards, Watson & Gershon

Recommendation: That the Administrative Entity take the following action:

Receive and file an update on the latest from the Central Basin Municipal Water District.

7. SEWC PROGRAM MANAGEMENT EXTENSION

Gina Nila, AE Chair, City of Commerce
Kevin Sales, KJServices Environmental Consulting

Recommendation: That the Administrative Entity take the following actions:

Discussion and possible action on the extension of SEWC's Program Management Contract with KJServices Environmental Consulting.

8. RICHARDS, WATSON, AND GERSHON BUDGET REVIEW AND POTENTIAL ADJUSTMENT

Gina Nila, AE Chair, City of Commerce
Kevin Sales, KJServices Environmental Consulting
Recommendation: That the Administrative Entity take the following action:

Discussion and potential action to increase the current annual budget allocated to legal services.

9. DECEMBER 2, 2021 BOARD OF DIRECTORS AGENDA

Kevin Sales, KJServices Environmental Consulting
Recommendation: Consider Draft SEWC JPA Board of Directors Agenda

10. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

11. ADMINISTRATIVE ENTITY MEMBER COMMENTS

Disability-related services are available to enable persons with a disability to participate in this meeting, consistent with the Federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Spanish interpreters are also available. For information or to request services, please contact the City of Commerce Public Works Department at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting at (323) 722-4805 ext. 2812.

The next meeting of the Southeast Water Coalition Administrative Entity will be on Thursday, March 17, 2022, 3:00pm, at Commerce City Hall, 2535 Commerce Way, Commerce, CA, 90040.

I, Michelle Keshishian, City of Commerce, do hereby certify, under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing notice was posted pursuant to Government Code Section 54950 Et. Seq. and City of Commerce Ordinance at the following locations: Commerce City Hall, Rosewood Neighborhood Library, and the Commerce Senior Center.

Dated: January 13, 2022

Michelle Keshishian
Environmental Coordinator
City of Commerce