



# Marina Coast Water District

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Regular Board Meeting/Groundwater Sustainability Agency Board Meeting  
July 20, 2026

### Minutes

#### 1. Call to Order:

Vice President Shriner called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. on July 20, 2026 at 920 2nd Avenue, Marina, California; and, via Zoom teleconference.

#### 2. Roll Call:

Board Members Present:

President Morton – arrived at 6:02 p.m., Vice President Shriner, Director Imamura, Director Moore, and, Director Smith.

Board Members Absent:

None.

Staff Members Present:

Remleh Scherzinger, General Manager; David Hobbs, District Counsel; Derek Cray, Operations and Maintenance Manager; Garren Fisher, Controller; Patrick Breen, Water Resources Manager; Jack Gao, Senior Project Manager; Derrell Parker, Customer Service Administrator; Teo Espero, Information Technology Administrator; and, Paula Riso, Executive Assistant/Clerk to the Board.

Members of the Public in Attendance:

Access Media Productions; Vera Nelson; Kaila Kasper; Gonzalo Ortiz; Travis Enzweiler; Warren Foster; Rene Magdaleno; Joe Pineda; Jose Rodriguez; Belen Perez; Mary Lagasca; Travis Martens; Tobias Osborne; Joel Pablo; Andrew Racz; Mayra Magdaleno; Pamela; Audrey Cray; Greg Furey; Edrick Stewart; Jaime Schrabeck; Thomas; and, Andy Sterbenz.

#### 3. Pledge of Allegiance:

Derek Cray led everyone present in the pledge of allegiance.

#### 4. Oral Communications:

No comments were made.

**5. Presentations:**

**A. Adopt Resolution No. 2026-40 to Recognize Kaila Kasper, Customer Service/Billing Technician II, for 5 Years of Service to the Marina Coast Water District:**

Motion by: Director Moore Second by: Director Smith;  
to: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 2026-40 to Recognize Kaila Kasper, Customer Service/Billing Technician II, for 5 Years of Service to the Marina Coast Water District. Motion passed.

Ayes: Imamura, Moore, Smith, Shriner, Morton Noes: None  
Absent: None Abstained: None

**B. Adopt Resolution No. 2026-41 to Recognize Gonzalo Ortiz, System Operator II, for 5 Years of Service to the Marina Coast Water District:**

Motion by: President Morton Second by: Director Moore;  
to: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 2026-41 to Recognize Gonzalo Ortiz, System Operator II, for 5 Years of Service to the Marina Coast Water District. Motion passed.

Ayes: Imamura, Moore, Smith, Shriner, Morton Noes: None  
Absent: None Abstained: None

President Morton recessed the meeting from 6:40 p.m. until 6:52 p.m.

**6. Marina Coast Water District Groundwater Sustainability Agency Matters:**

**A. Action Item:**

**1. Adopt Resolution No. 2026-GSA01 to Approve a Professional Services Agreement with EKI Environment & Water, Inc. for the Monterey Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Plan Implementation for Fiscal Year 2026-2027:**

Motion by: Director Moore Second by: Vice President Shriner;  
to: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 2026-GSA01 to Approve a Professional Services Agreement with EKI Environment & Water, Inc. for the Monterey Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Plan Implementation for Fiscal Year 2026-2027. Motion passed.

Ayes: Imamura, Moore, Smith, Shriner, Morton Noes: None  
Absent: None Abstained: None

**7. Return to Marina Coast Water District Matters:**

**8. Public Comment on Closed Session Items:**

There were no comments.

The Board entered into closed session at 7:09 p.m. to discuss the following items.

**9. Closed Session:**

- A. Pursuant to Government Code 54957  
Public Employee Performance Evaluation  
Title: General Manager
- B. Pursuant to Government Code 54956.9(d)(2)  
Conference with Legal Counsel – Threat of Potential Litigation  
One Potential Case
- C. Pursuant to Government Code 54956.9(d)(2)  
Conference with Legal Counsel – Significant Exposure to Litigation  
Government Claims Act Claim  
Claimant: Angela Morrow

The Board ended closed session at 8:33 p.m.

President Morton reconvened the meeting to open session at 8:39 p.m.

**10. Reportable Actions Taken During Closed Session:**

President Morton stated that there were no reportable actions taken on Item 9-A.

Item 9-B - President Morton stated that the Board voted 5-0 in favor of initiating litigation with the City of Marina and the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District challenging the State Lands Commission's approval of the Cal Am general lease application.

Item 9-C - President Morton stated that the Board voted 5-0 to reject the claim made by Angela Morrow.

**11. Consent Calendar:**

Director Smith requested to pull Items 11-C and 11-K. Director Imamura requested to pull Items 11-F, 11-I, and 11-J from the consent calendar.

Motion by: Director Moore Second by: Vice President Shriner;  
to: 1) approve the Consent Calendar consisting of items: A) Receive and File the Check Register for the Month of June 2026; B) Approve the Draft Minutes of the Regular Joint Board/GSA Meeting of May 18, 2026; D) Receive the 2nd Quarter 2026 MCWD Water Consumption and Wastewater Flow Report; E) Capital Improvement Program – End of Year Engineering Update for FY 2025-2026; G) Adopt Resolution No. 2026-43 to Authorize the Submission of Delinquent Water and Wastewater Charges to the County of Monterey for Collection on the FY 2026-2027 Property Tax Roll; and, H) Adopt Resolution No. 2026-44 to Approve the Purchase of a New Vactor 2100i Combination Cleaner from Owens Equipment for the Operations and Maintenance Department.

Agenda Item 11 (continued):

Motion passed.

Ayes: Imamura, Moore, Smith, Shriner, Morton Noes: None  
Absent: None Abstained: None

**C. Approve the Draft Minutes of the Regular Joint Board/GSA Meeting of June 15, 2026:**

There was discussion on Agenda Item 11-C.

Motion by: Director Imamura Second by: Vice President Shriner;  
to: 1) Approve the Draft Minutes of the Regular Joint Board/GSA Meeting of June 15, 2026 as amended. Motion passed.

Ayes: Imamura, Moore, Smith, Shriner, Morton Noes: None  
Absent: None Abstained: None

**F. Adopt Resolution No. 2026-42 to Approve the Revised Job Description for the Executive Assistant/Clerk to the Board of Directors Position:**

Questions and clarification were given on Agenda Item 11-F.

Motion by: President Morton Second by: Vice President Shriner;  
to: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 2026-42 to Approve the Revised Job Description for the Executive Assistant/Clerk to the Board of Directors Position. Motion passed.

Ayes: Moore, Smith, Shriner, Morton Noes: Imamura  
Absent: None Abstained: None

**I. Adopt Resolution No. 2026-45 to Accept the Infrastructure Improvements Installed Under a Water, Sewer, and Recycled Water Infrastructure Agreement between Marina Coast Water District and Shea Homes LP for the Dunes on Monterey Bay Phase 1B Promenade Development Project:**

**J. Adopt Resolution No. 2026-46 to Accept the Infrastructure Improvements Installed Under a Water, Sewer, and Recycled Water Infrastructure Agreement between Marina Coast Water District and Shea Homes LP for the Dunes on Monterey Bay Phase 2 West Development Project:**

**K. Adopt Resolution No. 2026-47 to Accept the Infrastructure Improvements Installed Under a Water, Sewer, and Recycled Water Infrastructure Agreement between Marina Coast Water District and Shea Homes LP for the Dunes on Monterey Bay Phase 2 North (Stage A) Development Project:**

Agenda Item 11 (continued):

The Board agreed to discuss Items 11-I, 11-J, and 11-K collectively as the questions were the same for all. Clarification was given on Agenda Items 11-I, 11-J, and 11-K.

Motion by: Director Moore Second by: Director Imamura;  
to: 1) adopt Resolution No. 2026-45 to Accept the Infrastructure Improvements Installed Under a Water, Sewer, and Recycled Water Infrastructure Agreement between Marina Coast Water District and Shea Homes LP for the Dunes on Monterey Bay Phase 1B Promenade Development Project; 2) adopt Resolution No. 2026-46 to Accept the Infrastructure Improvements Installed Under a Water, Sewer, and Recycled Water Infrastructure Agreement between Marina Coast Water District and Shea Homes LP for the Dunes on Monterey Bay Phase 2 West Development Project; and, 3) adopt Resolution No. 2026-47 to Accept the Infrastructure Improvements Installed Under a Water, Sewer, and Recycled Water Infrastructure Agreement between Marina Coast Water District and Shea Homes LP for the Dunes on Monterey Bay Phase 2 North (Stage A) Development Project. Motion passed.

Ayes: Imamura, Moore, Smith, Shriner, Morton Noes: None  
Absent: None Abstained: None

**12. Action Items:**

**A. Adopt Resolution No. 2026-48 to Amend the FY 2026-2027 Budget to Fund and Award a Contract to Maggiora Brothers Drilling, Inc. for the Well 34 Rehab and Enhanced Disinfection Project:**

Motion by: Director Smith Second by: Director Moore;  
to: 1) adopt Resolution No. 2026-48 to Amend the FY 2026-2027 Budget to Fund and Award a Contract to Maggiora Brothers Drilling, Inc. for the Well 34 Rehab and Enhanced Disinfection Project. Motion passed.

Ayes: Imamura, Moore, Smith, Shriner, Morton Noes: None  
Absent: None Abstained: None

**B. Review Proposed MCWD Art Policy:**

Motion by: Director Smith Second by: President Morton;  
to: 1) continue refining the policy and bring back a rewritten version. Motion passed.

Ayes: Imamura, Moore, Smith, Morton Noes: Shriner  
Absent: None Abstained: None

Motion by: Director Moore Second by: Vice President Shriner;  
to: 1) to continue the meeting past 10:00 p.m. until all the Action Items are completed. Motion  
passed.

Ayes: Moore, Shriner, Morton Noes: None  
Absent: None Abstained: None

**C. Provide Direction Regarding Election to the Coastal Network, Seat C, of the  
California Special Districts Association Board:**

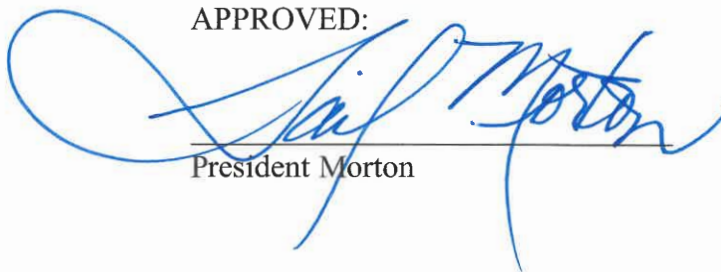
Motion by: Vice President Shriner Second by: Director Moore;  
to: 1) place vote for candidate Vince Ferrante in the Election to the Coastal Network, Seat C, of  
the California Special Districts Association Board. Motion passed.

Ayes: Moore, Shriner, Morton Noes: Imamura  
Absent: None Abstained: Smith

**13. Adjournment:**

President Morton adjourned the meeting at 10:05 p.m.

APPROVED:



President Morton

ATTEST:



Paula Riso, Deputy Secretary