

## MINUTES

### GARDEN GROVE Sanitary District Advisory Commission

#### Regular Meeting

OCTOBER 19, 2011

Community Meeting Center  
11300 Stanford Avenue

A Regular Meeting of the Sanitary District Advisory Commission of the City of Garden Grove was called to order in the Heritage Room of the Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Avenue, Garden Grove, on Thursday October 19, 2011, at 4:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: (4) Commissioners: Begg, Constantino, Mitchell and Pearce

ABSENT: (1) Commissioners: Nguyen

OTHERS PRESENT: A.J. Holmon, Liaison, Monica Neely, Finance, Hershel Skidmore, Finance, Brent Hayes, Sanitation, and Raquel Manson, Recording Secretary

#### Minutes

It was moved and carried unanimously to receive and file the minutes for July 20, 2011.

#### Discussion Items

- Mr. Brent Hayes, Sanitation Supervisor, presented an update on the Sanitary Sewer System Maintenance Program. An updated map of completed sewer projects was displayed, along with a video of a closed circuit television (CCTV) of a sewer line on Josephine Street. Mr. Hayes explained how CCTV inspections are routinely performed to assess capacity assurance within the sewer lines. A hotspot list of deficient sewer lines is generated based on these CCTV inspection findings and the list is prioritized as part of the District's Capacity Assurance Plan. The Capacity Assurance Plan assists the District in scheduling and prioritizing capital improvement projects. The CCTV inspection results for Josephine Street had identified capacity deficiencies that will be addressed in the Twintree Street and Haster Lane sewer project. Capacity deficiencies are reached when a CCTV inspection

determines that the sewer flow has reached over 62% capacity within the sewer line under dry weather conditions. Commissioner Pearce inquired on the method for cleaning sewer lines. Mr. Hayes responded that a vactor truck is used for cleaning sewer lines. Chair Mitchell commented on the bypass sewer line around Acacia Parkway having helped businesses on Main Street have a sufficient sewer line capacity. Mr. Hayes noted that the District's Information Technology Department is working on a map that will display all sewer line cleaning and hot spots. Other system updates include the following: 500,000 linear feet have been cleaned, 58 of the 1 month hotspots have been addressed, 2,200 manholes were sprayed for roaches and 76 pipe segments were treated with foaming root control. Mr. Hayes also noted that the public is being educated on sewer overflow prevention through Sanitation Staff and Environment Compliance Staff either in person or through distributed informational brochures.

Mr. Holmon noted that the background of sewer spill prevention began over 10 years ago with a Grand Jury Investigation that resulted in the development of Waste Discharge Requirements for Sanitary Sewer Agencies. These requirements have enhanced the overall efforts of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit program, that was enacted in 1990.

- Ms. Raquel Manson presented an update on the history of sewer bonds and the bond issuance process. Chair Mitchell inquired if water rates were involved with development of sewer rates. Mr. Hershall Skidmore responded that no water rates were involved in the development of sewer rates. Chair Mitchell inquired if we had reserves. Mr. Skidmore responded that while bond proceeds were being spent on the capital projects, revenue was being reserved to help fund future capital projects. Chair Mitchell asked if we would ever have enough revenue to avoid issuing bonds in the future. Mr. Skidmore said that there is the possibility if the District generates sufficient revenue to fund all scheduled capital projects. Chair Mitchell inquired when all the capital projects would be completed. Mr. Hayes explained that once a project is completed, the map is updated and continuous CCTV inspections identify other capacity deficient areas throughout the City, which is then added to the hot spot list. Therefore, resulting in a constant evolving list of capital projects that need be addressed in the future.

Matters from the Commission: NONE

Matters from Staff: NONE

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

The next meeting of the Garden Grove Sanitary District Advisory Commission will meet on January 18, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. in the Heritage Room at the Community Meeting Center – 11300 Stanford Avenue.