

MINUTES

Tuesday, March 24, 2026
East Bay Municipal Utility District
Board of Directors
375 Eleventh Street
Oakland, California

Regular Closed Session Meeting

President Luz Gómez called to order the Regular Closed Session Meeting of the Board of Directors at 11:21 a.m. in the Administration Building Boardroom. President Gómez announced that Director April Chan notified the General Manager and the Secretary of the District of the need to participate in the meeting from a remote location for just cause due to an illness pursuant to Government Code section 54953.8.3(c)(2). Director Chan was advised of the need to keep the audio open and camera on at all times while appearing remotely. Director Chan confirmed that no one over the age of 18 was present in the room.

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Staff participants included General Manager Clifford C. Chan and General Counsel Derek T. McDonald.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION AGENDA

President Gómez announced the closed session agenda, and the Board convened to Administration Building Conference Room 8 for discussion.

Regular Business Meeting

President Luz Gómez called to order the Regular Business Meeting of the Board of Directors at 1:19 p.m. in the Administration Building Boardroom. President Gómez announced that Director April Chan notified the General Manager and the Secretary of the District of the need to participate in the meeting from a remote location for just cause due to an illness pursuant to Government Code section 54953.8.3(c)(2). Director Chan was advised of the need to keep the audio open and camera on at all times while appearing remotely. Director Chan confirmed that no one over the age of 18 was present in the room.

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President Gómez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATION

EBMUD Art Committee Artist Exhibit – Sudie Wentling’s “Returning to Architecture and Light”

President Gómez announced the District’s Art Committee was established in 1993 and hosts six to seven exhibitions per year, featuring works by local emerging to mid-career artists. EBMUD showcases works by artists in the 2nd floor art gallery. She introduced Sudie Wentling to highlight the current exhibit Returning to Architecture and Light which is on display through April 30. Sudie Wentling provided an overview about the inspiration for this body of work which was inspired by her career in architecture and the drive to capture by photography how we experience and inhabit the spaces that surround us. An artist reception will be held on Friday, March 27 in the 2nd floor lobby starting at 5pm.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Addressing the Board was Mary Boblet who expressed concern about a proposed two-year pilot program to allow mountain bikes on a 2.4-mile segment of the Mokelumne Coast Crest Trail in the South Camanche area on EBMUD land and requested the Board look into this. Manager of Natural Resources Michelle Workman provided background and said staff is working on the communication plan regarding the pilot. The Board requested an update to the Planning Committee on this item.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Filed with the Board were the Minutes for the March 10, 2026 Planning Committee Meeting.
- President Gómez announced the Board participated in the Customer Assistance Program (CAP) workshop earlier today where staff reviewed CAP activities, updates on key initiatives, highlights and accomplishments, strategies to meet growing customer demand for financial assistance; and an update on the Arrearage Management Plan for single family residential accounts.
- Director Lewis reported the Planning Committee met on March 10 and received updates on the Wet Weather Consent Decree Implementation; Regulatory Compliance Semi-Annual Report – July 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025; and Proposed Changes to Board Meeting Frequency.
- Director Young reported the Planning and Sustainability Committees convened for a Special Meeting on March 23 to tour the Pinole Creek Tomato Stand Fish Passage Project.
- Director Oddie reported the Finance/Administration Committee met this morning and received updates on the February 2026 Monthly Investment Transaction Reports; EBMUD Series 2026 Water System and Wastewater System Bonds; and Follow up from the March 10 Board Retreat.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- Motion by Director Oddie, seconded by Director Smith to approve Items 1-7 on the Consent Calendar carried (7-0) by the following roll call vote: AYES (Chan, Katz, Lewis, Oddie, Smith, Young, and Gómez); NOES (None); ABSTAIN (None); ABSENT (None).
1. **Motion No. 047-26** – Approved the Regular and Special Meeting Minutes of March 10, 2026.
 2. The following correspondence was filed with the Board: 1) Presentation entitled, “Water System Revenue Bonds, Series 2026; Wastewater System Revenue Bonds, Series 2026,” dated March 24, 2026; 2) Presentation entitled, “Water Supply Update,” dated March 24, 2026; and 3) Speakers’ Bureau and Outreach Record CY26, dated March 24, 2026.
 3. **Motion No. 048-26** – Authorized an agreement beginning on or after March 24, 2026 with Branco Construction, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$815,704 for materials and labor for water tank replacement services.
 4. **Motion No. 049-26** – Authorized the General Manager or his designee to enter into reimbursement agreements beginning on or after March 24, 2026 with local public agencies, in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$4,000,000 for five years for gate valve pot upgrades performed in conjunction with local agency paving projects.
 5. **Motion No. 050-26** – Approved the assignment of the agreement originally authorized under Board Motion No. 159-25 from Subtronic Corporation to Ground Penetrating Radar Systems, LLC for inflow and infiltration investigations of the regional wastewater collection system.
 - 6.1. – **Motion No. 051-26** – Authorized amendments to the agreements originally authorized under Board Motion No.121-22 with ALB, Inc.; American Asphalt Repair & Resurfacing Co., Inc.; Carone & Company, Inc.; Lucas Paving, Inc.; MCK Services, Inc.; and Public Agencies to increase the aggregate amount of the agreements by \$5,200,000 to a total aggregate amount not to exceed \$25,400,000 and extend the agreements’ term to March 24, 2027 for paving and other related services; and authorized additional agreements for paving and other related services, on an as-needed basis and subject to the total aggregate amount authorized by the Board for such services on March 24, 2026, with service providers that meet District standards and offer pricing at or below the range in the proposed agreements with the service providers above to increase flexibility and ensure service provider availability. The Board of Directors will be notified of additional qualified service providers by means of the General Manager’s monthly report.
 - 6.2.
 7. **Motion No. 052-26** – Approved the February 2026 Monthly Investment Transactions Report.

DETERMINATION AND DISCUSSION

8. **Appoint the Senior Public Information Representative.**

General Manager Clifford C. Chan announced Tracie D. Morales as the candidate for appointment to the position of Senior Public Information Representative and highlighted Ms. Morales’ background, education and experience.

- Motion by Director Young, seconded by Director Oddie to approve Item 8 carried (7-0) by the following roll call vote: AYES (Chan, Katz, Lewis, Oddie, Smith, Young, and Gómez); NOES (None); ABSTAIN (None); ABSENT (None).

Ms. Morales thanked the Board for the opportunity and acknowledged the General Manager and The Public Affairs team for their support.

Resolution No. 35478-26 – Appointing Tracie D. Morales As Senior Public Information Representative (*effective April 6, 2026*).

9. **Appoint an Ad Hoc Committee to coordinate the renaming of the Administration Building Boardroom in honor of former Director William “Bill” Patterson.**

General Manager Clifford C. Chan stated staff has planned an event to acknowledge renaming the Boardroom in honor of former Director Patterson during the May 12 Regular Board meeting and has requested the Board appoint an Ad Hoc committee to provide input on planning the event. President Gómez called for volunteers. Directors Lewis, Oddie, and Smith agreed to serve.

- Motion by Director Young, seconded by Director Chan to appoint Directors Valerie D. Lewis, Jim Oddie and Joey D. Smith to serve on the Ad Hoc Committee carried (7-0) by the following roll call vote: AYES (Chan, Katz, Lewis, Oddie, Smith, Young, and Gómez); NOES (None); ABSTAIN (None); ABSENT (None).

Motion No. 053-26 – Appointed an Ad Hoc Committee consisting of Directors Valerie D. Lewis, Jim Oddie and Joey D. Smith to coordinate the renaming of the Administration Building Boardroom in honor of former Director William “Bill” Patterson.

10.1. – **EBMUD Series 2026 Water System Revenue Bonds; EBMUD Series 2026 Wastewater**
10.2. **System Revenue Bonds.**

Treasury Manager Robert L. Hannay provided the presentation. The proposed issuance of Water System and Wastewater System Revenue Bonds in an amount not to exceed \$800 million would fund the District’s capital improvement projects and refund callable Build America Bonds (BABs) for de-risking. The financing plan is structured under two series. The proposed Water and Wastewater 2026A Bonds will be issued as “Green Bonds” based on the Board approved Guidance for Issuing Green Bonds, to provide approximately \$355 million for Water System and \$40 million for Wastewater System “new money” Capital Improvement Program (CIP) funding. The proposed Water and Wastewater 2026B Bonds will be issued to refund up to \$400 million in outstanding Water System and up to \$150 million in outstanding Wastewater System 2010B BABs. The original final maturity date for the Water and Wastewater BABs is June 1, 2040. The proposed issuance is consistent with the Board adopted budget for Fiscal Years 2026 and 2027 and the approved financing plan for Fiscal Year 2026. Mr. Hannay noted that the District’s BABs include an extraordinary optional redemption feature that can be used if federal law changes or subsidy payments are reduced. Refunding the District’s BABs would reduce risk from potential federal subsidy reductions. To use this option, the District’s proposed resolutions make a determination that an “extraordinary event” has occurred. Refunding the BABs would proceed only if it achieves at least cost-neutral savings, with projected net present value savings exceeding the District threshold, subject to market conditions at pricing. He noted that the refunding the BABs did not

proceed last year due to market conditions. Staff is recommending the Board approve the bond issuance.

- Motion by Director Smith, seconded by Director Lewis, to approve the actions for Items 10.1. – 10.2. carried (7-0) by the following roll call vote: AYES (Chan, Katz, Lewis, Oddie, Smith, Young, and Gómez); NOES (None); ABSTAIN (None); ABSENT (None).

Resolution No. 35479-26 – Authorize And Approve The Issuance Of Not To Exceed \$800 Million Aggregate Principal Amount of East Bay Municipal Utility District Water System Revenue Bonds, Series 2026 In One Or More Series; Approve The Form, And Authorize the Execution, Of Certain Documents In Connection With The Issuance, Securing And Sale Of Such Bonds; And Approve Certain Actions Relating Thereto.

Resolution No. 35480-26 – Authorize And Approve The Issuance Of Not To Exceed \$200 Million Aggregate Principal Amount Of East Bay Municipal Utility District Wastewater System Revenue Bonds, Series 2026 In One Or More Series; Approve The Form, And Authorize The Execution, Of Certain Documents In Connection With The Issuance, Securing And Sale Of Such Bonds; And Approve Certain Actions Relating Thereto.

11. **General Manager’s Report.**

Water Supply Update

Manager of Water Operations Roberto C. Cortez presented the update and the following data as of March 18, 2026: gross water production; current reservoir storage levels; the District’s total system storage (639,370 acre-feet, representing 83% of system capacity); precipitation in the East Bay (16.4 inches or 74% of average) and in the Mokelumne (34.4 inches or 90% of average); and snow conditions at Caples Lake, including snow depth (23 inches) and snow water content (7 inches). He reviewed snowpack levels and snow water equivalent in the Sierra Nevada as of March 19, the seasonal precipitation outlook for April 2026, projected Mokelumne precipitation for Rainfall Year 2026, and 2026 end-of-season total system storage projections. He noted that March has been exceptionally dry, and is projected to be the driest month of March on record for the District.

General Manager’s Monthly Report

General Manager Clifford C. Chan announced the Speakers’ Bureau and Outreach Record CY26 had also been provided at Board places.

DIRECTOR COMMENTS

12. **Other Items for Future Consideration.**

- None.

13. **Director Comments.**


- Director Chan reported attending the Fairview Municipal Advisory Council on March 3; the District’s emergency bypass hose exercise in Hayward on March 17; and plans to attend the Ward 7 briefing event in San Ramon on April 7.

- Director Oddie reported participating in the Oakland Chinatown Chamber meeting on March 10 and March 17 to discuss the Administration Building roof rehabilitation project; and attending the Alameda County Special Districts Association 2026 Annual Dinner in Castro Valley on March 19.
- Director Smith reported attending a Family STEM event at Nystrom Elementary in Richmond on March 10; State of Cities in Hercules on March 12; and the Pinole Creek Tomato Stand Fish Passage Project on March 23.
- Director Young reported participating in the Retirement Board meeting along with Director Oddie on March 19; Pinole Creek Tomato Stand Fish Passage Project on March 23; and plans to attend an upcoming Siesta Valley Board meeting.
- President Gómez reported attending Leadership San Ramon Valley on March 12; Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors meeting in Martinez for the First International Women's Day Celebration along with Director Smith on March 17; and the Pinole Creek Tomato Stand Fish Passage Project on March 23.
- Directors Katz and Lewis had no reports.

ADJOURNMENT

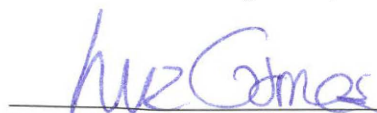
President Gómez adjourned the Regular Meeting at 2:04 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:



Rischa S. Cole, Secretary of the District

APPROVED: April 14, 2026



Luz Gómez, President of the Board