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DENNIS P. CAFFERTY,
Secretary of the El Toro Water District and the Board of Directors thereof

AGENDA

EL TORO WATER DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
FINANCE AND INSURANCE COMMITTEE MEETING,
ENGINEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

November 23, 2026
7:30 a.m.

BOARDROOM, DISTRICT OFFICE
24251 LOS ALISOS BLVD., LAKE FOREST, CA 92630

This meeting will be held in person. As a convenience for the public, the meeting may also be accessed by Zoom and will be available by either computer or telephone audio as indicated below. Because this is an in-person meeting and the virtual component is not required, but rather is being offered as a convenience, if there are any technical issues during the meeting, this meeting will continue and will not be suspended.

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CALL TO ORDER – President Freshley

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Director Monin

ROLL CALL (Determination of a Quorum)

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS/PUBLIC COMMENTS

Members of the public may address the Board at this time or they may reserve this opportunity with regard to an item on the agenda until said item is discussed by the Board. Comments on other items will be heard at the times set aside for "COMMENTS REGARDING NON-AGENDA ENGINEERING COMMITTEE ITEMS" or for "COMMENTS REGARDING NON-AGENDA FIC ITEMS." The public may identify themselves when called on and limit their comments to three minutes.

ITEMS RECEIVED TOO LATE TO BE AGENDIZED

Determine need and take action to agendize item(s) which arose subsequent to the posting of the Agenda. (ROLL CALL VOTE: Adoption of this recommendation requires a two-thirds vote of the Board members present, or, if less than two-thirds of the Board members are present, a unanimous vote of those members present.)

1. Consider Board Member's Request for Remote Participation (AB 2449)

FINANCE AND INSURANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

CALL MEETING TO ORDER – Director Monin

2. Consent Calendar

(All matters under the Consent Calendar will be approved by one motion unless a Board member or a member of the public requests separate action or discussion on a specific item)

a. Consider approving the minutes of the October 19, 2026 Finance and Insurance Committee meeting. (Minutes Included).

Recommended Action: Staff recommend that the Board of Directors approve the above consent calendar.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION ITEMS

3. Quarterly Review of the District's 401 (k) Retirement Savings Plan
(Reference Material Included)

Keith Stribling will review and comment on the investment performance of the District's 401 (k) Retirement Savings Plan.

4. **Deferred Compensation Plan (457 Plan) Quarterly Performance Report** (Reference Material Included)

Staff will provide an update on the performance of the investment options in the District's Deferred Compensation Plan (457 Plan)

5. **Financial Statements and Report** (Reference Material Included)

Staff will review and comment on the Financial Statements and Report for the month ending October 31, 2026.

FINANCIAL ACTION ITEMS

6. **Financial Package - Authorization to Approve Payment of Bills for the Month Ending October 31, 2026** (Reference Material Included)

The Board will consider approving Bills for Consideration dated October 31, 2026.

Recommended Action: Staff recommend that the Board approve, ratify and confirm payment of those bills as set forth in the Payment Summary for the month ending October 31, 2026.

COMMENTS REGARDING NON-AGENDA FIC ITEMS

CLOSE FINANCE AND INSURANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

ENGINEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

CALL MEETING TO ORDER – Director McClean

7. **Consent Calendar**

(All matters under the Consent Calendar will be approved by one motion unless a Board member or a member of the public requests separate action or discussion on a specific item)

a. Consider approving the minutes of the October 19, 2026 Engineering Committee meeting. (Minutes Included).

Recommended Action: Staff recommend that the Board of Directors approve the above consent calendar.

ENGINEERING ACTION ITEMS

8. **Headworks and Secondary Clarifier No. 1 Rehabilitation Engineering Services during Construction Amendment** (Reference Material Included)

Staff will review and comment on the contract amendment Engineering Services During Construction for the Headworks and Secondary Clarifier No. 1 Rehabilitation Project.

Recommended Action: Staff recommend that the Board of Directors authorize the General Manager to amend the existing contract with Carollo Engineers, Inc. for Engineering Services During Construction for the Headworks and Secondary Clarifier No. 1 Rehabilitation Project in the amount of $121,073, increasing the contract value from $546,328 to $667,401. Staff further recommend that the Board authorize the General Manager to fund the project costs from the District's Capital Reserves in accordance with the District's adopted Capital Reserve Policy.

ENGINEERING INFORMATION ITEMS

9. **Amendment to Energy Management Services Agreement** (Reference Material Included)

Staff will review and comment on the ongoing agreement negotiations to extend the existing 10-year contract for the WRP Battery Energy Storage System.

10. **Recycled Water Project Opportunities** (Reference Material Included)

Staff will provide an update on potential recycled water expansion project opportunities.

11. **El Toro Water District Operations Report** (Reference Material Included)

Staff will review and comment on the El Toro Water District Operations Report.

12. **El Toro Water District Capital Project Status Report** (Reference Material Included)

Staff will review and comment on the El Toro Water District Capital Project Status Report.

13. **Engineering Items Discussed at Various Conferences and Meetings**

The Committee will discuss any pertinent Engineering items discussed at Conferences.

COMMENTS REGARDING NON-AGENDA ENGINEERING COMMITTEE ITEMS

CLOSE ENGINEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

REGULAR SESSION

14. <u>Strategic Plan Status Report</u> (Reference Material Included)

Staff will review and comment on the Strategic Plan Status Report.

ATTORNEY REPORT

CLOSED SESSION

At this time the Board will go into Closed Session as follows:

1. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (d) (4) to consult with legal counsel and staff - Potential Initiation of Litigation. (one matter)

2. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8 to consult with the District's Designated Negotiator (Dennis P. Cafferty), regarding the price, terms & conditions pertaining to the District's proposed purchase of an easement from the Golden Rain Foundation of Laguna Woods. Said easement would be located on the Laguna Woods Golf Course and is in conjunction with the District's Project of relocating and repairing existing public service facilities (Effluent Transmission Main) therein.

3. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 (b)(1) to conduct the General Manager's annual performance evaluation.

REGULAR SESSION

REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION (Legal Counsel)

Mr. Granito will provide an oral report on the Closed Session.

15. <u>General Manager Compensation</u>

Board Action: The District's Board of Directors will discuss and consider granting the District's General Manager a compensation increase in the amount and form as determined by the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

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