



**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
**MALAGA COUNTY WATER DISTRICT**  
**3580 SOUTH FRANK AVENUE**  
**FRESNO, CALIFORNIA 93725**  
**Tuesday, February 19, 2026 at 6:00PM**

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1. **Call to Order: 6:02pm.**
2. **Roll Call:** President Charles Garabedian, Jr.; Vice President Salvador Cerrillo; Director Irma Castaneda; Director Frank Cerrillo, Jr.; Director Carlos Tovar, Jr.  
**All present.**  
**Also present: Norma Melendez and Michael Slater.**
3. **Certification:** Certification was made that the Board Meeting Agenda was posted 24 hours in advance of the meeting.
4. **Consent Agenda.** The items listed below in the Consent Agenda are routine in nature and are usually approved by a single vote. Prior to any action by the Board of Directors, any Board member may remove an item from the consent agenda for further discussion. Items removed from the Consent Agenda may be heard immediately following approval of the Consent Agenda or set aside for discussion and action after Regular Business.

- a. Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of February 10, 2026.

Recommended action: To approve the Consent Agenda as presented or amended.

**Motion by Vice President Cerrillo; Second by Director Cerillo, Jr. and by a 5-0 vote to approve the consent agenda as presented.**

5. **Old Business:**
  - a. **Infrastructure Master Plan.** The District directed P&P to update the Infrastructure Master Plan. The Infrastructure Master Plan was provided for review at the board meeting of January 27 and was also made available online at [www.malagacwd.org/infrastructure-master-plan](http://www.malagacwd.org/infrastructure-master-plan).

Recommended action: To consider adoption of the Infrastructure Master Plan.

**Motion by Vice President Cerillo; Second by Director Castaneda and by a 5-0 vote to adopt the Infrastructure Master Plan.**

6. **New Business:**
  - a. **Resolution No. 02-19-2026.** A resolution authorizing the submission of nomination and supporting Charles Garabedian, Jr. for appointment to the Board of Commissioners of the Fresno Economic Opportunities Commission.

Recommended action: to approve resolution No. 02-19-2026 as presented or amended.

**Motion by Vice President Cerrillo; Second by Director Cerrillo, Jr. and by a 4-0 vote to approve Resolution No. 02-19-2026. President Garabediab, Jr. abstained.**

- b. **Resolution No. 02-19-2026A.** A resolution amending the district's medical expense insurance policy, District Policy 2110.10.

Recommended action: To approve resolution 02-19-2026A as presented or amended.

**Motion by Vice President Cerrillo; Second by Director Tovar, Jr. and by a 5-0 vote to approve Resolution No. 02-19-2026A amending policy 2110.10.**

- c. **Bi-annual Water Supply Report.** District staff have prepared the districts bi-annual water supply report for presentation to the board. A notice of the receipt of the report and of the public hearing to be held on the second Tuesday in March in a newspaper of general circulation printed and published within the district, at least 10 days prior to the date at which the public hearing regarding the report shall be held. A draft copy of the report is available online at <https://www.malagacwd.org/2026-water-supply-report>.

Recommended action: to set a public hearing on March 24, 2026 and authorize the District staff to publish notice of the public hearing as required by water code section 31144.75.

**Motion by Vice President Cerrillo; Second by Director Cerrillo, Jr. and by a 5-0 to authorize district staff to publish the public hearing notice and to set the public hearing for March 24, 2026.**

#### **7. Recreation Reports:**

**Vice President Cerrillo reported there was a great turn-out at the Valentines Dance of February 14. He also mentioned that Chicano Spot will be a fundraiser on February 21 at the park.**

**Director Tovar, Jr. reported to the board he will be hosting a fundraiser at the park to gather funds for Easter baskets.**

**Director Castaneda reported the next recreation bingo will be March 4 and that recreation selected to serve enchilada plates.**

#### **8. Engineer Reports:**

- a. District Engineer Report. **None for this meeting.**

- b. CDBG Engineer Report:

- i. The time extension for the WWTP Nitrogen Reduction Project has been uploaded to Agreement #24-702 to reflect new contract expiration date. **Nothing to report.**

#### **9. General Manager's Report:**

**President Garabedian suggests having a workshop on event parking at the park. He also announced that the Lead Water Operator, Robert Herrero, received his certification as a Backflow Prevention Assembly Tester.**

**10. President's Report: Presented during GM Report.**

**11. Vice President's Report:**

Vice President Cerrillo mentioned to the board it is time to make a decision with he security camera that is at Well 3A as the agreement is about to expire. He will have staff obtain quotes to have a more permanent system at the site that will be more cost efficient. He also will be getting quotes for trimming and removal of trees at the WWTP.

**12. Director's Reports: None for this meeting.**

**13. Legal Counsel Report: None for this meeting.**

**14. Communications:**

a. Written Communications: **None for this meeting.**

b. Public Comment: *The Public may address the Malaga County Water District Board on item(s) of interest within the jurisdiction of the Board, not appearing on the agenda. The Board will listen to comments presented; however, in compliance with the Brown Act, the Board cannot take action on items that are not on the agenda. The public should address the Board on agenda items at the time they are addressed by the Board. All speakers are requested to wait until recognized by the Board President. All Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes or less per individual/group per item per meeting, with a fifteen (15) minutes maximum.*  
**None for this meeting.**

**15. Closed Session: None for this meeting.**

**16. Adjournment:**

**Motion by Vice President Cerrillo, Second by Director Castaneda and by a 5-0 vote to adjourn the meeting at 7:13pm.**

#### **Certification of Posting**

I, Norma Melendez, District Clerk of the Malaga County Water District, do hereby certify that the foregoing minutes for the Special Meeting of the Board of Directors of February 19, 2026 was posted for public view on the front window of the MCWD office at 3580 S. Frank Street, Fresno Ca 93725, on 3/11/2026.

**Norma Melendez**, District Clerk