

MOTION

RULES, ELECTIONS, INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

The Metropolitan Water District (MWD) is the largest wholesaler of water to the city of Los Angeles and all of Southern California, bringing water to 19 million people across six counties. The City of Los Angeles is the largest of 26 member agencies of MWD, and has five directors on the board. The City’s directors are appointed by the Mayor and approved by the City Council for terms held until successors are appointed.

According to Section 8.132 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code, City directors on the MWD Board are entitled to an attendance fee of \$50 for each Board meeting attended, not to exceed \$250 per Director in any calendar month. This section is amendable by an ordinance.

According to the state’s Fair Political Practices Commission, while MWD Board members appointed by the City have waived the attendance fee from the City, they are still required to disclose the attendance fee to participate in certain decisions impacting the City. Most recently, this has led to conflict-of-interest concerns and confusion at MWD Board meetings.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council request the City Attorney to prepare and present an ordinance that rescinds section 8.132 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code for its inapplicability and to remove conflict of interest concerns relating to the attendance fee for City-appointed directors on the MWD Board.

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