

RULES, ELECTIONS, AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the attendance fee for City-appointed directors on the Metropolitan Water District (MWD) Board.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Nazarian – Lee):

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.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

On April 17, 2026, your Rules, Elections, and Intergovernmental Relations Committee considered a February 13, 2026 Motion (Nazarian – Lee) relative to the attendance fee for City-appointed directors on the MWD Board. According to the Motion, 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, in accordance with the state's Fair Political Practices Commission. Most recently, this has led to conflict-of-interest concerns and confusion at MWD Board meetings. After consideration and having provided an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to recommend approval of the Motion recommendation. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rules, Elections, and Intergovernmental Relations Committee

COUNCILMEMBER	VOTE
HARRIS-DAWSON:	YES
RAMAN:	YES
YAROSLAVSKY:	YES
SOTO-MARTINEZ:	YES
LEE:	ABSENT

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