

EXHIBIT 34-A

RULE 7: COMMITTEES

A. Standing Committees

The Board of Directors may create such standing committees, as it may deem necessary. The members of said committees and their chair shall be appointed by the Chair of the Board and approved by the Board. A charge for each standing committee shall be attached to the Meeting Rules.

The charges for ~~two~~^{three} standing committees that specify an alternate method for committee membership and selection of the Chair are provided as Attachment 1, Policy Advisory Committee; Attachment 2 ~~and~~; Technical Advisory Committee, ~~and Attachment 3, Carmel River Advisory Committee.~~

B. Finance and Administration~~ve~~ Committee

The Finance and Administration~~ve~~ Committee shall consist of the three Directors appointed by the Chair and approved by the Board. Its purpose shall be to advise the Board on financial and administrative matters. The Board of Directors shall not fix the meeting schedule of this committee. The committee may meet on the call of the chair or as decided by the members. Action taken by the Finance and Administration~~ve~~ Committee shall be subject to final Board approval. The Finance and Administration~~ve~~ Committee meets the definition of a “legislative body” as defined by the Brown Act; therefore, all meetings shall be noticed and open to the public in compliance with the Brown Act. A charge for the Finance and Administration~~ve~~ Committee shall be attached to the Meeting Rules (Attachment ~~34~~).

C. Ad Hoc Committees

The Chair and Vice Chair may meet as an ad hoc committee of the Board when needed to provide guidance to the General Manager on setting agendas and other procedural matters, to review the need for creating or making assignments to ad hoc committees, and to discuss other ways and means of providing service to the Board and staff. The Chair may create such additional ad hoc committees as may be necessary. The members of said committees and their chairs shall be appointed by the Board Chair and approved by the Board. A charge for each ad-hoc committee shall be attached to the Meeting Rules. The charge shall be removed when the committee has completed its task and has been disbanded. Ad hoc committee charges attached are: ~~Attachment 5, Rules and Regulations Review Committee;~~ Attachment ~~46~~, Water Demand Committee; Attachment ~~57~~, Public Outreach Committee; Attachment ~~69~~, Legislative Advocacy Committee; and Attachment ~~740~~, Water Supply Planning Committee.

A Board policy adopted on 1/29/04 determined that notice of ad hoc meetings should ordinarily be given in substantially the same manner as required by the Brown Act for legislative bodies. Despite this policy, ad hoc committees are exempt from the Brown Act by Gov. Code section 54952(b) provided there are no more than three committee members, the members are comprised solely of board members, and further provided the committee does not exercise continuing subject matter jurisdiction over any topic. Due to this exemption, an ad hoc committee may discuss matters not on the agenda, and is not required by law to permit non-committee members to attend.

D. Seaside Groundwater Basin Watermaster

Representation on the Seaside Groundwater Basin Watermaster shall be determined as follows. Beginning in January 2016, the District's representative and alternate on the Seaside Groundwater Basin Watermaster shall be appointed biennially by the Chair of the Board, each for a two-year term, and the appointments approved by the Board.