

Suzanne Cole – May 29, 2025 Questions

Here are my additional comments and questions to the BOD packet:

Item No. 12, page 67: Reso. 2025-25: Collaborative Strategies:

-p. 68: Good analogy on page 68 of the staff report to "infrastructure."

Yes, we think so too.

-p. 70: Often see in resolutions the "Whereas" boilerplate "this proposal has merit". Not sure every meritorious matter should be adopted, unless it also furthers the mission of the district. Would prefer to see the recital add "and furthers the mission of the Carmel Area Wastewater District". It may be implicit, but someday someone is going to ask how an otherwise meritorious matter furthered the mission of the district. Think we always have to look through the lens of whether an item furthers the mission of the district.

I think you have brought up an excellent suggestion and I will try to implement it going forward, along with pressing it on management staff.

Item No. 24, page 145: Capital and Non-Capital Project Summaries:

-p. 163: 22-01 Project Name: Long-Term Sea Level Rise Planning:

References a completed May 2025 study: Can we see a copy of that?

Yes, we will send that to you.

Link to the document:

<https://www.cawd.org/2025-cawd-five-year-hazards-and-local-projects-update>

Item No. 28, page 206: Reso. 2025-27: Procedure for Setting Board Meeting Agenda:

-Might this item also include a reference to when the GM has discretion to include an item in the meeting agenda or special report outside the framework of a regular meeting?

The general manager has four best practices that may be part of any agenda:

1. Keep the Board apprised of district operations and the status of district goals.
2. Recommendations on actions requiring board approval, including policies, resolutions, ordinances, and other matters.
3. Maintain/advance the operations of the district and implement board's policies, strategies and directives.
4. Move the district forward in serving its mission, carrying out its strategic plan and attaining its vision.

Any discretion the GM has to include an item on the agenda or a special report would likely fit into one of these four best practices.

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41. ADJOURNMENT

The Next Regular Board Meeting will be held at 9:00 a.m., Thursday, June 26, 2025, or at an alternate acceptable date. NOTE: The meeting will have a teleconference option hosted through Zoom. You can access the Zoom link by visiting our website, www.cawd.org. If you need assistance, please call the District office at 831-624-1248 or send an email to downstream@cawd.org. After staff reports have been distributed, if additional documents are produced by the District and provided to the Board regarding any item on the agenda, they will be made available on the District website.