Minutes
Flood Control District Advisory Committee/Public Review
December 15, 2021

Committee Members Present: Galo Golavale, Gus Myers, James MacAdam, John Wallace, Christopher Langham, Mark Murphy, John Spiker, Ann Youberg

Flood Control District Staff Present: Eric Shepp, Deputy Director; Brian Jones, Floodplain Division Manager; Greg Saxe, Environmental Planning Manager; Evan Canfield, Watershed Studies Division Manager; Ann Moynihan, Engineer III; Joseph Cuffari, Program Manager

Others Present: Scott Altherr, CMG Drainage

The meeting was held via Microsoft Teams

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
The Committee approved the November 17, 2021 minutes.

QUERY TO THE AUDIENCE
N/A

NEW BUSINESS

Election of 2022 FCDAC Officers
The Committee voted and elected the following Committee members for 2022:

John Spiker, Chairman
Ann Youberg, 1st Vice Chairman
Gus Myers, 2nd Vice Chairman

Santa Cruz River Management Plan
Evan Canfield provided an overview of the Santa Cruz River Management Plan (SCRMP) and what work products have been completed thus far including proposed projects, outreach, and implementation reports. Gus Myers thanked District project managers for their including the Town of Marana in discussions from the beginning. John Spiker mentioned that he is impressed with the level of outreach to the public and stakeholders from the start. Evan Canfield asked for a motion of support/endorsement for the SCRMP before it goes to the BOS and then eventually to other jurisdiction’s Town Councils. Motion: “The Flood Control District Advisory Committee endorses the SCRMP – Grant Road to Pinal County – and its implementation” (approved).

CONTINUING BUSINESS

Regulatory Updates – State and Federal
Federal Infrastructure Bill Update: Eric Shepp spoke about the Federal Infrastructure Bill and mentioned that there is a committee in Pima County looking at how funds could be used throughout the region. There is not specific flood control money, but projects identified include flood control elements, such as bridges. The District is looking at what projects can be done immediately and are shovel-ready. The District is willing to meet with other jurisdictions to talk about partnering on future projects using funds
from this Bill. John Spiker asked how funds would be distributed and Eric Shepp stated it may be through normal mechanisms such as grants or state funding. Work within the Ruthrauff Basin and infrastructure leading to the Santa Cruz could be a major project that will use these funds.

**Report from Committee Members**
John Spiker stated that Oro Valley Stormwater Commission will be looking into the current stormwater rate and do an analysis for any changes needed.

John Wallace stated that new FEMA data will be released for Oro Valley sometime early 2022. Eric Shepp stated that the City of Tucson has done low impact projects and as a result design details and maintenance standards are being developed for future public and private use. James MacAdam will present more information at a future FCDAC meeting.

James MacAdam stated that the City to Tucson is beginning to revise its’ Commercial Rainwater Harvesting Ordinance. John Spiker stated Oro Valley is looking at doing something similar in regards to their Stormwater Harvesting Ordinance.

**REPORT FROM FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT STAFF**

**BOS Action Summary**

December 7, 2021

☑ Staff requests approval of a Riparian Habitat Mitigation Plan for a flood plain use permit to construct an orchard and water harvesting areas on the property located at 13470 South Bell Road, located in Important Riparian Area with an Underlying Classification of Xeroriparian B Habitat. (District 4)

Sican, Inc., as Trustee of the Community Water Company of Green Valley ROW Trust, to extend the utility easement to 12/31/22 for completion of the Central Arizona Project water pipeline. (District 2)

**Regional Flood Control District Projects and Program Updates**

Greg Saxe updated the Committee on the Pima County Office of Emergency Management’s Hazard Mitigation Plan request for updates across all jurisdictions.

Brian Jones updated the Committee on flood insurance Risk Rating 2.0 changes. Joseph Cuffari mentioned that he met with insurance agents and ran through premium pricing scenarios.

**CALL TO THE AUDIENCE**

Ann Moynihan updated the Committee on outreach efforts to homeowner’s associations.

**AGENDA ITEMS - January 19, 2022 Meeting**

1. Risk Rating 2.0 Updates/Joseph Cuffari
2. PFAS Regulations/Chris Langham
3. Low Impact maintenance and standard details/James MacAdam (Possible)

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 a.m.