

**Neighborhood Councils - Department of Water and Power
Memorandum of Understanding Oversight Committee**

Special Meeting Agenda

Saturday, August 5, 2017, 8:45 a.m.

Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, John Ferraro Building, A Level Conference Rooms
111 North Hope Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012

Courtesy parking in the DWP lot, entrance off Hope Street

The bulk of the meeting was devoted to a discussion led by David Wright, General Manager of the DWP. He went over the amendments to the labor agreement with the IBEW 18. These amendments are in the attached file of his presentation.

There was a second presentation about the proposed Cadiz Company's proposal to capture rain water near the Mohave Desert, store it in an underground aquifer and attach to the MWD's pipeline from Hoover Dam. This proposal was denied by the last Federal Administration. The current administration has reopened consideration of the proposal. A file with the DWP's presentation slides is attached.

Dr. Fred Pickel, the Executive Director of the Office of Public Accountability/Ratepayer Advocate (for the DWP) discussed his office's involvement with preparing basic material for the IBEW 18 wage negotiations and his support for the resulting agreement.

Two prior motions have been sent to the MVCC Transportation and Infrastructure Committee:

1. Motion critical of the lack of transparency in the recent adoptions of the amendments to the DWP IBEW 18 labor contract.
2. Motion to urge the City Council to proceed more rapidly to appoint a selection committee for the Executive Director of the Office of Public Accountability/Ratepayer Advocate (for the DWP).

The last five-year contract expired six months ago.

Submitted by Chuck Ray

The MOU is a formal "best efforts" agreement for information sharing, mutual notice, and education. The agreement is currently administered by the office of **Joseph Ramallo**, Assistant General Manager, Communications, Marketing, and Community Affairs. Neighborhood Councils should send all notices and the names of their DWP MOU Representatives to the head of the NC Outreach team, Stephanie Spicer (213-367-1314, stephanie.spicer@ladwp.com), with a copy to Tony Wilkinson (lawilkinson@acm.org) and Jack Humphreville (JackH@targetmediapartners.com).