## **RESOLUTION NO. SCV-407**

## RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WATER AGENCY ADOPTING AN AMENDED CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE PURSUANT TO THE POLITICAL REFORM ACT OF 1974

WHEREAS, the State of California enacted the Political Reform Act of 1974, Government Code Section 81000 et seq. (the "Act"), which contains provisions relating to conflicts of interest which potentially affect all officers, employees and consultants of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency ("SCVWA") and requires all public agencies to adopt and promulgate a Conflict of Interest Code; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors adopted a Conflict of Interest Code (the "Code") for SCVWA in compliance with the Act which was amended December 6, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, subject to changed circumstances within SCVWA have made it advisable and necessary pursuant to Sections 87306 and 87307 of the Act to amend and update SCVWA's Code; and

**WHEREAS**, the potential penalties for violation of the provisions of the Act are substantial and may include criminal and civil liability, as well as equitable relief which could result in SCVWA being restrained or prevented from acting in cases where the provisions of the Act may have been violated; and

WHEREAS, notice of the time and place of a public meeting on, of consideration by the Board of Directors of, the proposed amended Code was provided each affected designated employee and publicly posted for review at the SCVWA Administration Building at 27234 Bouquet Canyon Road, Santa Clarita, California, establishing a 45-day comment period in compliance with Title 2, California Code of Regulations, Section 18750; and

**WHEREAS**, a public meeting was held upon the proposed amended Code at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of SCVWA on February 20, 2024, at which all present were given an opportunity to be heard on the proposed amended Code.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency as follows:

- Section 1. The Board of Directors does hereby adopt the proposed amended Conflict of Interest Code, a copy of which is attached hereto and shall be on file with the Board Secretary and available to the public for inspection and copying during regular business hours.
- **Section 2.** The said amended Code shall be submitted to the Fair Political Practices Commission for approval.
- Section 3. The said amended Code shall become effective immediately after the Fair Political Practices Commission approves the proposed amended Code as submitted.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 20th day of February, 2024, by the following vote:

AYES: Directors Armitage, Braunstein, Cooper, Gutzeit, Marks, Martin, Orzechowski and

Petersen

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Director Colley

**Board President** 

Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency

ATTEST:

April Jacobs, Secretary

Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency

I, the undersigned, hereby certify: That I am the duly appointed and acting Secretary of the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency, and that at a regular scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors of said Agency held on February 20, 2024 the foregoing Resolution No. SCV-407 was duly and regularly adopted by said Board, and that said resolution has not been rescinded or amended since the date of its adoption, and that it is now in full force and effect.

DATED: February 20, 2024

April Jawas