

Board Strategic Development Committee Meeting and Special SMUD Board of Directors Meeting

Date: Tuesday, October 7, 2025

Time: Scheduled to begin at 6:00 p.m.

Location: SMUD Headquarters Building, Auditorium
6201 S Street, Sacramento, CA

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AGENDA

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6201 S Street, Sacramento, California
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Remote Telephonic Location:
12 E 48th St.
New York, NY

This Committee meeting is noticed as a joint meeting with the Board of Directors for the purpose of compliance with the Brown Act. In order to preserve the function of the Committee as advisory to the Board, members of the Board may attend and participate in the discussions, but no Board action will be taken. The Strategic Development Committee will review, discuss and provide the Strategic Development Committee's recommendation on the following agenda item(s):

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Webinar/Meeting ID: 161 466 4727
Passcode: 326168
Phone Dial-in Number: 1-669-254-5252 or 1-833-568-8864 (Toll Free)

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INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

1. Elizabeth Whitney
MANAGING PRINCIPAL
MEGUIRE WHITNEY, LLC
Provide the Board an informational briefing on federal legislative activities.
Presentation: 30 minutes
Discussion: 40 minutes
2. Public Comment
3. Nancy Bui-Thompson
Summary of Committee Direction.
Discussion: 1 minute

Members of the public shall have up to three (3) minutes to provide public comment on items on the agenda or items not on the agenda, but within the jurisdiction of SMUD. The total time allotted to any individual speaker shall not exceed nine (9) minutes.

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LEG 2025-0087

BOARD AGENDA ITEM

STAFFING SUMMARY SHEET

Committee Meeting & Date
Strategic Development –
10/07/25Board Meeting Date
N/A

TO				TO						
1.	Steve Lins			6.						
2.	Frankie McDermott			7.						
3.	Farres Everly			8.						
4.	Scott Martin			9.	Legal					
5.	Jose Bodipo-Memba			10.	CEO & General Manager					
Consent Calendar		Yes	X	No (If no, schedule a dry run presentation.)		Budgeted	X	Yes	No (If no, explain in Cost/Budgeted section.)	
FROM (IPR) Larry Luong				DEPARTMENT Government Affairs				MAIL STOP B404	EXT. 6130	DATE SENT 09/23/25

NARRATIVE:

Requested Action: Provide the Board an informational briefing on federal legislative activities.

Summary: SMUD's federal lobbyist, Elizabeth Whitney of Meguire Whitney, will brief the Board on the annual Federal Legislative Report.

Board Policy: (Number & Title) The federal legislation and policies SMUD tracks affect overlapping Strategic Directions including the following: Strategic Direction SD-2, Competitive Rates; Strategic Direction SD-3, Access to Credit Markets; Strategic Direction SD-4, Reliability; Strategic Direction SD-7, Environmental Leadership; Strategic Direction SD-9, Resource Planning; Strategic Direction SD-11, Public Power Business Model; and Strategic Direction SD-16, Information Management and Security.

Benefits: Informs the Board on federal legislative issues.

Cost/Budgeted: There is no budgetary impact for this item.

Alternatives: Choose not to receive an annual update or provide to the Board via memo or written report.

Affected Parties: Board of Directors and all SMUD Departments

Coordination: Executive Office, Board Office, and Government Affairs

Presenter: Elizabeth Whitney, Managing Principal, Meguire Whitney

Additional Links:

SUBJECT

Annual Federal Legislative Update

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ITEMS SUBMITTED AFTER DEADLINE WILL BE POSTPONED UNTIL NEXT MEETING.



Elizabeth K. Whitney
Meguire Whitney
Managing Principal

Elizabeth K. Whitney has more than fifteen years of federal policy experience, focusing on energy policy. Her government relations practice centers on energy markets, environmental regulation, climate change, and nuclear power. Ms. Whitney launched Meguire Whitney in January 2017 after spending six years at Morgan Meguire, where she led work relating to the Clean Power Plan and other environmental regulation, spent nuclear fuel, and Dodd-Frank implementation. There she represented clients in meetings with Congress, the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, EPA, and FERC, as well as participated on clients' behalf in coalitions.

Ms. Whitney was the Senior Legislative Assistant to Rep. Bart Gordon (D-TN), then-Chairman of the House Science Committee and a senior member of the House Energy and Commerce Committee. She advised Chairman Gordon on energy and environmental issues before that committee and worked closely with Science Committee staff on energy and environment initiatives. In addition, she managed appropriations, budget and tax issues, financial services, and transportation for Chairman Gordon, and served as his liaison to the centrist Blue Dog Coalition. She came to Capitol Hill in 2007 as an aide to Rep. Zack Space (D-OH), handling appropriations and transportation, among other issues.

She was a co-founder of the Women's Congressional Staff Association, for which she was named "Congressional Staffer of the Year" along with her co-founders by Women in Government Relations. Prior to her time on Capitol Hill, she was a Government Affairs Associate at the American Public Works Association. There, she managed a federal grant from the U.S. EPA educating water utilities on environmental management practices. She began her career at the University of Michigan's state government relations office.

Ms. Whitney holds a B.A. in Communication from Muhlenberg College (2004), an M.A. in Political Management from George Washington University (2008), and a J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center (2015). She is a member of the Maryland State Bar.

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BOD 2025-006

BOARD AGENDA ITEM

STAFFING SUMMARY SHEET

Committee Meeting & Date
STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT

– 2025

Board Meeting Date

N/A

TO				TO				
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2.	Farres Everly			7.				
3.	Jose Bodipo-Memba			8.				
4.	Scott Martin			9.	Legal			
5.				10.	CEO & General Manager			
Consent Calendar		Yes	x	No		If no, schedule a dry run presentation.		
Budgeted		x	Yes	No (If no, explain in Cost/Budgeted section.)				
FROM (IPR) Nancy Bui-Thompson / Crystal Henderson				DEPARTMENT Board Office		MAIL STOP B307	EXT. 5424	DATE SENT 12/29/24

NARRATIVE:

Requested Action: A summary of directives is provided to staff during the committee meeting.

Summary: The Board requested an ongoing opportunity to do a wrap up period at the end of each committee meeting to summarize various Board member suggestions and requests that were made at the meeting to make clear the will of the Board. The Strategic Development Committee Chair will summarize Board member requests that come out of the committee presentations for this meeting.

Board Policy: Governance Process GP-4, Board/Committee Work Plan and Agenda Planning states the Board will focus on the results the Board wants the organization to achieve.

(Number & Title)

Benefits: Having an agendized opportunity to summarize the Board's requests and suggestions that arise during the committee meeting will help clarify the will of the Board.

Cost/Budgeted: Included in budget for internal labor.

Alternatives: Not to summarize the Board's requests at this meeting.

Affected Parties: Board of Directors, Board Office and Executive Office

Coordination: Crystal Henderson, Special Assistant to the Board

Presenter: Nancy Bui-Thompson, Strategic Development Committee Chair

Additional Links:

SUBJECT

Summary of Committee Direction – Strategic Development Committee

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