

JOSHUA BASIN WATER DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE
CITIZENS ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING
Tuesday May 12, 2026
61750 Chollita Road, Joshua Tree, CA 92252

1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – David Carrillo, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 5:03 pm.
2. ROLL CALL – David Carrillo, Hannah Campbell, Fred Jaross, Debra Truncale, Melvin Smith, Kami Zimmerman, Crystal Wysong, Thomas Fjallstam, Jeff Walter

STAFF PRESENT – Director of Administration, David Shook, Director of Finance, Anne Roman, Executive Assistant, Lisa Thompson

CONSULTANTS PRESENT – Public Outreach Consultant, Kathleen Radnich

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

1st – Thomas Fjallstam

2nd – Fred Jaross

Motion carried to approve the agenda.

4. APPROVAL OF THE CITIZENS ADVISORY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES 03.02.26

1st – Fred Jaross

2nd – Crystal Wysong

Motion carried to approve the 03.02.26 minutes.

5. MANAGER REPORT

Director of Administration David Shook provided district updates.

- Shook reported that the District Tours were held on Monday and Tuesday and lasted approximately four hours each. The tours were successful and provided an opportunity for community engagement and involvement.
- Shook reported that Senator Adam Schiff recently visited the District to discuss and seek funding opportunities for Chromium-6 treatment. Shook also reported that the District conducted legislative advocacy trips to Washington, D.C., and Sacramento to seek funding for Chromium-6 treatment.
- Shook reported that Chromium-6 notices have been included on customer water bills and that additional information is available on the District's website. Shook emphasized the District's efforts to provide transparent and ongoing communication to the community regarding Chromium-6.
- Shook reported that the District is researching Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) as a potential replacement for the District's current Automated Meter Reading (AMR) system. Shook reported that a propagation study was scheduled for the week of June 5 to evaluate AMI technology and will provide the Board with an update on the findings. Shook also invited CAC members who are interested to participate in a potential beta-testing period for AMI monitoring.

Melvin Smith made a motion for the CAC members to participate in beta testing for AMI monitoring and seconded by Thomas Fjallstam.

1st – Melvin Smith

2nd – Thomas Fjallstam

6. DISCUSSION ITEMS -

A. FINANCIAL BUDGET PRESENTATION BY DIRECTOR OF FINANCE, ANNE ROMAN

Director of Finance Anne Roman presented a Budget 101 Overview, explaining the two types of budgets: operating, which consists of routine and recurring expenses, and capital, which includes one-time projects meeting or exceeding the \$5,000 capitalization threshold. Roman also reviewed unrestricted reserve usage, budget projections, the budget review and approval process, and budget reporting and monitoring. Roman provided an overview of the 2025/26 Revised Budget and the 2026/27 Proposed Budget.

B. ROUNDTABLE CAC MEMBER COMMENTS

CAC members asked questions and discussed among all members.

7. NEXT MEETING – CAC Meeting on September 8, 2026, at 5:00 pm.

8. ADJOURNMENT – David Carrillo adjourned the meeting at 6:32 pm.

1st – Thomas Fjallstam

2nd – Melvin Smith

Respectfully Submitted,



ANNE ROMAN (Sep 9, 2026 08:51:30 PDT)

Anne Roman, General Manager Pro Tem

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