Monthly Metro TAC Chair Report
June 2026

A summary of action items, presentations, discussions, and updates heard at the regularly scheduled Metro Technical Advisory Committee held on June 17, 2026.

Action:

Agenda Item 2: Consideration and Possible Action to Recommend to the Metro Wastewater JPA the Execution of a Contract with Aztec Landscaping Inc. to Provide Landscape Maintenance Services at Public Utilities Department Water and Wastewater Facilities 9RFP No. 10090-434-26-J)

- City staff presented the contract explaining that the proposed contract consolidates 118 sites under the same contract, including the new Pure Water facilities. Comparison made to current single-year contracts totaling $4.3 million for only 18 or 25 of the sites. The Metro portion of the contract is approximately $1.8 million per year with the JPA's share being about $600,000 of that.
- TAC asked for clarification if Aztec was the lowest bidder. City staff indicated there were multiple bidders and Aztec was the highest rank and while not necessarily the lowest bidder they were close. TAC requested a few clarifications and number fixes, including recommended including that and the Metro portion of the PUD funding in the slide for JPA. TAC unanimously recommended the item.

Information:

Agenda Item 3: PA Industrial Waste Control Ordinance Implementation – Questions & Answers

- City staff reminded TAC that the City has updated its municipal code as it relates to industrial waste, so they wanted to give TAC the opportunity to ask questions to make sure they are clear on next steps. Staff reminded TAC the City will take over billing, but that each PA is responsible for notifying businesses of this change and alerting the City of new businesses. TAC members requested the City's current listings of industrial users so that they had a complete list of who to notify.

- TAC clarified if the City had to update their code again as a result of SARA, the answer to which is no. TAC also asked for a copy of the enforcement response plan which the City will provide once updated. Executive Team staff requested the City clarify the process as much as possible and send relevant documents to TAC all together. TAC also clarified timeline suggesting it could be convenient to do at the same time as revised SARA over the next few months. The recommendation is to take it as soon as possible.

Agenda Item 4: FAB and FY 2027 Billing

- City staff presented the new format for Tables A through D, which will be based on full FAB implementation, but with a 4-year phase-in of the incremental peak charges. They apologized it wasn't distributed yet but promised to do so once finalized.
- TAC clarified if this was the final version which is correct. The tables, distributed soon, will be the basis for the August invoices. The City provided the following table of the comparison of the four-year phase in of FAB versus the formerly discussed three-year:

	FY27 Costs		
PA	3-Year	4-Year	Difference
Chula Vista	$37,100,495.68	$37,151,411.74	$50,916.06
Coronado	$3,138,876.79	$3,130,556.44	($8,320.35)
Del Mar	$38,595.25	$36,068.24	($2,527.01)
East Otay Mesa	$1,684,298.74	$1,662,597.84	($21,700.90)
El Cajon	$12,664,157.71	$12,565,122.03	($99,035.68)
Imperial Beach	$4,781,827.87	$4,772,738.14	($9,089.73)
La Mesa	$9,535,298.19	$9,385,411.34	($149,886.85)
Lakeside/Alpine	$6,425,713.73	$6,454,990.10	$29,276.37
Lemon Grove	$3,710,369.42	$3,695,668.76	($14,700.66)
National City	$8,950,114.63	$8,980,795.29	$30,680.66
Otay	$956,022.02	$954,327.91	($1,694.11)
Padre Dam	$9,129,893.65	$9,118,965.07	($10,928.58)
Poway	$5,295,207.54	$5,251,958.79	($43,248.75)
Spring Valley	$10,938,530.68	$10,968,564.99	$30,034.31
Wintergardens	$1,320,162.86	$1,319,469.57	($693.29)
SUBTOTAL	**$115,669,564.76**	**$115,448,646.26**	**($220,918.50)**
San Diego	$224,105,230.86	$224,326,149.36	$220,918.50
TOTAL	**$339,774,795.62**	**$339,774,795.62**	**$0.00**

Agenda Item 5: Overview of FY 2027

a. I&I Workgroup Progress

- Staff explained that now that SARA will be complete the listed items will likely be the focus of the next year. The I&I group is making progress and the hope is to improve wet weather flows to be able to affect the future system operation.
- TAC clarified how the study was being incorporated into Pure Water Phase 2. They also asked if the City analyzes the Muni system similarly, the answer to which is yes. TAC asked if they could share methods where they've seen success in I&I

reduction because that would be very helpful in assisting them in analyzing the cost-effective analysis of their own projects and enforcement efforts.

b. Future Administrative Agreements

- City staff opened the floor to TAC to let them know that if there are any future Administrative Agreements they'd like to see to please contact them. The City currently anticipates a Pure Water Phase 2 Administrative Agreement and one after the I&I study.

c. Identification of Notified Parties

- City staff reviewed their attached current notification list and asked TAC to look at it and send updates as needed as soon as possible.

Agenda Item 6: Muni Transportation Agreements

- Staff reminded everyone now that SARA is done they would be working with each agency to make sure all of the agreements are up to date.

Standing Items to be Brought to JPA:

Agenda Item 7: Metro Wastewater (General) (Lisa Celeya)

Agenda Item 8: Pure Water Program Update (Doug Owen/Ben Kuhnel)

Agenda Item 9: Metro Wastewater Financial (Adam Jones)

Agenda Item 10: SARA Update Report (Blake Behringer/Karyn Keze)

Agenda Item 11: JPA Executive Director (Karyn Keze)

Standing Informational Item:

Agenda Item 12: Metro Commission/JPA Board Meeting Recap (Blake Behringer)

Metro Meetings:

Recent Meetings

- **Metro JPA**:
  - **Date**: June 4, 2026

- **I&I Metro TAC Subcommittee**:
  - **Date**: June 2, 2026

Upcoming Meetings

- **Metro JPA (Special Mtg)**:
  - **Date**: June 25, 2026
  - **Format**: In person.

- **Metro TAC**:
  - **Date**: July 15, 2026
  - **Format**: Zoom only.

- **I&I Metro TAC Subcommittee**:
  - **Date**: July 7, 2026
  - **Format**: Teams only.