



**MINUTES**  
**Board of Water Commissioners**  
**El Estero Conference Room**  
**520 East Yanonali Street**  
**Monday, September 13, 2010 at 3:00 p.m.**

- COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: James Smith, Barry Keller, Russell Ruiz, Bill Thomas
- COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Landon Neustadt
- COUNCILMEMBER PRESENT: Bendy White
- STAFF PRESENT: Jim Armstrong, City Administrator, Rebecca Bjork, Water Resources Manager; Cathy Taylor, Water System Manager; Chris Toth, Wastewater System Manager, Bill Ferguson, Water Resources Supervisor; Manuel Romero, Wastewater Collection System Superintendent, Alison Jordan, Water Conservation Coordinator; Anne Van Belkom, Administrative Assistant,
- PUBLIC: Michelle and Bill Maddaus (Maddaus Water Management); May Zin and Bob Neihaus, RDN Inc.; Alex Keuper (Carpinteria Valley Water District); Keisma Pleiser and Jim Caldwell (S.B. Association of Realtors); Steve Little.
1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 3:02 p.m.
  2. **CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:** Agenda Item #8 was deferred until the November Water Commission Meeting.
  3. **COMMENTS BY THE PUBLIC:** None.
  4. **MEETING MINUTES, AUGUST 9, 2010:** MOTION (Thomas/Ruiz) 3-0-0, with Smith not yet present): to approve the minutes as submitted.
  5. **WATER CONSERVATION TECHNICAL ANALYSIS – SUMMARY OF DRAFT REPORT:** Ms. Jordan, Mr. Maddaus, and Ms. Maddaus reviewed the draft report and discussed the results of the technical evaluation and responded to questions from the Commission. Additional programs could be developed to increase water conservation but there would be a cost associated with the implementation of these programs. The water conservation program's next increment of work will be developed in conjunction with the update of the Long Term Water Supply Program.
  6. **WATER CONSERVATION CUSTOMER SURVEY:** Ms. Jordan described the survey that is to begin in October with results expected in November 2010. A presentation on the final report will be given to the Water Commission. Items to be considered include inquiries about irrigation practices and the effectiveness of the regional water conservation website.
  7. **SEWER LATERAL INSPECTION PROGRAM:** Mr. Toth requested that the Water Commission support the staff recommendation to implement Option 1 which changes the SLIP incentive portion to allow the waiver of permit fees as the single incentive for only City-mandated SLIP cases. No other incentive payments would be available. Council will be requested to approve this recommendation on September 21, 2010. MOTION (Thomas/ Ruiz 3-0-0 with Smith not yet present): to recommend that Council direct staff to implement Option 1 as the SLIP revised incentive component.
  8. **PRESENTATION OF FISCAL YEAR 2012 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM:** This item was deferred until the November Water Commission meeting.
  9. **RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO ACCEPT REAL PROPERTY AT HYDROELECTRIC PLANT:** Ms. Bjork requested that the Water Commission support staff's recommendation that Council approve the resolution of intent to accept real property at the hydroelectric plant ahead of any submission to the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation. MOTION (Thomas/Ruiz 3-0-0 with Smith not yet present): To recommend that Council approve the resolution of intent to accept real property at the hydroelectric plant.

**10. 2010 PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT REPORT (P3s) AND 2011 WORKPLAN (deferred from August 2010):**

Ms. Bjork distributed copies of the final FY2010 Quarterly P-3 reports for each section in Water Resources, and briefly discussed the major work plans and objectives for Water Resources in FY2011.

**11. CHANGE LOCATION OF REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE WATER COMMISSION TO EL ESTERO CONFERENCE ROOM, 520 E. YANONALI STREET:** MOTION (Keller/Ruiz 3-0-0 with Smith not yet present): to approve the change of venue for future Water Commission meetings from the Public Works Conference Room at 630 Garden Street to the El Estero Conference Room at 520 E. Yanonali Street.

**12. WATER RESOURCES MANAGER'S REPORT:** Ms. Bjork distributed and reviewed the Monthly Water Resources report on water production, rainfall, and wastewater influent. Commissioner Smith arrived at 4:38 p.m. Ms. Bjork updated the Water Commission on three Council Agenda Reports that would be presented to Council on September 14, 2010.

**13. DATE OF NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING:** It was confirmed that the next meeting was scheduled for Monday, October 11, 2010, at 3:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:49 p.m.