CITY OF SANTA BARBARA
WATER COMMISSION
MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, January 17, 2019
9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

David Gebhard Public Meeting Room, 630 Garden Street
SantaBarbaraCA.gov/WC

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Megan Birney, Dave Davis, Mike Kielborn

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Mike Jordan, Arturo Keller

COUNCIL LIAISON PRESENT: Eric Friedman

STAFF PRESENT: Joshua Haggmark, Water Resources Manager; Kelley Dyer, Water Supply Manager; Gaylen Fair, Acting Wastewater System Manager; Catherine Taylor, Water System Manager; Dakota Corey, Administrative Analyst; Bradley Rahrer, Wastewater Collection System Superintendent; Matt Ward, Water Distribution Superintendent; Carson Wolett, Supervising Engineer; Daniel S. Hentschke, Assistant City Attorney; Jennifer Sanchez, Commission Secretary

PUBLIC: Berlinda Blackburn, MarBorg Industries; Alison Thompson, Heal the Ocean; Greg Paul

1. CALL TO ORDER: Vice Chair Birney called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

2. ROLL CALL: All Commissioners present except Jordan and Keller.

3. CHANGES TO AGENDA:

   Mr. Haggmark noted the following changes:
   a. Item 5b will appear at City Council on January 29 instead of February 12 as noted in the staff report.
   b. Title change for Item 5c: Adoption of Santa Barbara County Integrated Regional Water Management Plan Update 2019, instead of Update 2018.
   c. Because the role of Water Commission is to provide recommendations to Council, not approvals, future agendas will indicate “Recommendation” as the action the Commission should take.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

5. CONSENT ITEMS:

   a. Meeting Minutes: Approval of Minutes - December 20, 2018

       Item postponed to the next meeting due to lack of voting members.

   b. Letter of Support for State Water Contract Assignment to Central Coast Water Authority

   c. Adoption of Santa Barbara County Integrated Regional Water Management Plan Update 2019

       Motion to approve Items 5b and 5c.
       Approved (Davis/Kielborn, 3:0:0. Jordan and Keller absent.)
6. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:

a. **Sewer System Management Plan Recertification**
   
   Mr. Rahrer and Ms. Fair presented an overview of the updated Sewer System Management Plan (SSMP). Staff recommended that the Commission recommend that Council recertify the SSMP.

   Motion to recommend that Council recertify the SSMP.
   
   Approved (Davis/Kielborn, 3:0:0. Jordan and Keller absent.)

b. **Contract for Consulting Services of Water Distribution Infrastructure Plan**
   
   Mr. Ward presented an overview of the proposed Water Distribution Infrastructure Plan project. Staff recommended that the Commission recommend that Council authorize the contract for consulting services for this project.

   Motion to recommend that Council authorize the contract.
   
   Approved (Kielborn/Davis, 3:0:0. Jordan and Keller absent.)

c. **Drought Update**
   
   Ms. Dyer presented an overview of the drought status, water demand status, water supply strategy, and water supply status.

d. **Water Agencies Update (CCWA/CCRB/COMB)**
   
   Ms. Dyer provided an update on the activities of the three water agencies.

7. **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**
   
   Commissioner Davis reported on the Sea Level Rise Adaptation Subcommittee.

8. **WATER RESOURCES MANAGER’S REPORT**
   
   Mr. Haggmark presented the Manager’s Report, highlighting items of interest.

   Meeting adjourned at 10:34 a.m.

**DATE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING:**

Thursday, February 21, 9:00 a.m., David Gebhard Public Meeting Room, 630 Garden Street