CITY OF SANTA BARBARA
WATER COMMISSION
MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
Thursday, August 15, 2019
9:00 a.m.

Water Resources Conference Room, 619 Garden Street, Third Floor
SantaBarbaraCA.gov/WC

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Megan Birney, Arturo Keller, Dave Davis (until 11:31 a.m.), Mike Jordan (until 11:31 a.m.)

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Mike Kielborn

COUNCIL LIAISON PRESENT: Kristen Sneddon (until 11:05 a.m.)

STAFF PRESENT: Joshua Haggmark, Water Resources Manager; Brian D’Amour, City Engineer; Kelley Dyer, Water Supply Manager; Amanda Flesse, Wastewater System Manager; Catherine Taylor, Water System Manager; Gaylen Fair, Laboratory Supervisor; Malcolm Hamilton, Administrative Analyst; Madeline Wood, Water Conservation Supervisor; Daniel S. Hentschke, Assistant City Attorney; Sarah Gorman, City Clerk Services Manager; Jennifer Sanchez, Commission Secretary

PUBLIC: Berlinda Blackburn, MarBorg Industries

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

2. ROLL CALL: All Commissioners present except Kielborn.

3. CHANGES TO AGENDA: None.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

5. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:
   a. Non-Discrimination Harassment Policy
      Ms. Gorman provided an overview of the City’s non-discrimination harassment policy.
   b. Review of Water Commission Role & Responsibility
      Mr. Haggmark opened a discussion about the Water Commission’s role and responsibility as outlined in the Staff Report.

      Commission comments:
      • For items that are heard at Water Commission before a City Council hearing, include the Water Commission’s recommendation as a separate section in the Council Agenda Report.
      • The Commission’s discussion and rationale for its recommendation should be included in staff’s presentation to Council.
      • Opinions of dissenters in a Commission recommendation should be described in the Council Agenda Report and staff presentation.
      • Designate a Commissioner to attend the Council meeting if needed to explain the Commission’s recommendation.
      • Return with language to be added to the “Enhanced Water Commission Effectiveness” section to address the comments above.
c. **Water Resources Workload Highlights for Fiscal Year 2020**
Mr. Haggmark, Ms. Flesse, Ms. Dyer, and Ms. Taylor presented workload highlights for the Water Resources Division for Fiscal Year 2020 and answered questions from the Commission.

*The Commission recessed from 10:10-10:16 a.m.*

Meeting adjourned at 11:32 a.m.

**DATE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING:**
Thursday, September 19, 2019, 9:00 a.m., David Gebhard Public Meeting Room, 630 Garden Street