



**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