



**CITY OF SANTA BARBARA
WATER COMMISSION
MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING**

**Thursday, October 17, 2019
9:00 a.m.**

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

- COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Megan Birney, Arturo Keller, Dave Davis, Mike Jordan, Mike Kielborn
- COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:** None
- COUNCIL LIAISON PRESENT:** Kristen Sneddon
- STAFF PRESENT:** Joshua Haggmark, Water Resources Manager; Catherine Taylor, Acting Water Supply Manager; Amanda Flesse, Wastewater System Manager; Matt Ward, Acting Water System Manager; Brad Rahrer, Wastewater Collection System Superintendent; Gaylen Fair, Laboratory Supervisor; Malcolm Hamilton, Administrative Analyst; Jennifer Sanchez, Commission Secretary
- PUBLIC:** Lindsey Baker, League of Women Voters
- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Birney called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.
 - 2. ROLL CALL:** All Commissioners present.
 - 3. CHANGES TO AGENDA:** None.
 - 4. PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.
 - 5. CONSENT ITEMS:**
 - a. Meeting Minutes:** Approval of Minutes - September 19, 2019

Motion to approve meeting minutes as presented.
Approved (Davis/Keller, 5:0:0)
 - 6. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:**
 - a. Sewer Lateral Inspection Program Update**
Mr. Rahrer gave an update on improvements to the Sewer Lateral Inspection Program (SLIP) related to public outreach and new lateral repair solutions and fees.
 - b. Wastewater Collection System Semi-Annual Report**
Mr. Rahrer presented the Semi-Annual Wastewater Collection System Report.
 - c. Contract Services for Water Rates Study**
Mr. Hamilton discussed the proposed contract services for the upcoming Water Rate Study. Staff recommended that the Commission recommend that Council approve the contract.

Motion to recommend that Council approve the contract.
Approved (Davis/Jordan, 5:0:0)
 - d. Appointment of Water Rates Ad Hoc Subcommittee Members**
Staff requested that the Commission appoint a two-member ad hoc subcommittee to provide more input during the Water Rates Study.

Chair Birney and Commissioner Keller volunteered to serve on the subcommittee.

e. Water Agencies Update (CCWA/CCRB/COMB)

Mr. Haggmark and Ms. Taylor provided an update on the activities of the three water agencies.

7. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioner Davis reported on the Sea Level Rise Adaptation Plan Subcommittee.

8. DISCUSSION ITEM: Capturing Water Commission's Comments and Recommendations to City Council

Mr. Haggmark presented changes and clarifications to the procedure for capturing the Commission's comments and recommendations to Council.

The Commission thanked staff for their efforts in accommodating the Commission's requests.

9. WATER RESOURCES MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Haggmark presented the Manager's Report.

Meeting adjourned at 10:43 a.m.

DATE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING:

Thursday, November 21, 2019, 9:00 a.m., David Gebhard Public Meeting Room, 630 Garden Street