



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

**Thursday, May 21, 2020  
9:00 a.m.**

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- COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Arturo Keller, Mike Kielborn, Dave Davis, Jeffrey Young
- 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; Dakota Corey, Water Supply Analyst; Malcolm Hamilton, Administrative Analyst; Madeline Wood, Water Conservation Supervisor; Daniel S. Hentschke, Assistant City Attorney; Rachel Becerra, Commission Secretary
- PUBLIC:** Kira Redmond, Santa Barbara Channelkeeper; Charles Hamilton; Lesley Wiscomb, Planning Commission Liaison; Peter Cante; Virginia Leavell; Berlinda Blackburn
- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Keller 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 – April 16, 2020
  - b. Contract for Wastewater Collection Video Inspection Software Replacement**
  - c. Contracts For Design and Permitting Of The Desal Pump Platform Hardening Project**
  - d. Cachuma Conservation Release Board Fiscal Year 2020/2021 Budget Ratification**
- Motion to approve Consent calendar.  
Approved (Davis/Kielborn, 4:0:0.)
- 6. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:**
- a. Water Resources COVID-19 Response Update**  
Mr. Haggmark gave an update on Water Resources response to COVID-19.
  - b. FY21 Water and Wastewater Rates**  
Mr. Hamilton gave an overview of water and wastewater rates for FY21.

The Commission recommend that Council move forward with Wastewater rates as adopted by Fiscal Year 2021.

Motion to move forward with Wastewater rates as adopted for FY21.  
Approved (Davis/Young, 4:0:0.)

**c. Execution Of A Grant Funding Agreement Related To The Desalination Plant**

Mr. Hamilton gave an overview of the execution of a grant funding agreement with the California Department of Water Resources related to the desalination plant.

The Commission recommend to forward the report to Council for approval.

Motion to forward report to Council for approval.  
Approved (Kielborn/ Young, 3:1:0.)

Public Comment: Kira Redmond, Santa Barbara Channelkeeper; Lesley Wiscomb, Planning Commission Liaison.

**d. Water Supply Update**

Ms. Corey provided an update of the current status of the City's water supplies.

The Commission recommend that City Council authorize the Water Resources Manager to execute a one-time water purchase agreement with La Cumbre Mutual Water Company.

Motion to authorize the Water Resources Manager to execute a one-time water purchase agreement with La Cumbre Mutual Water Company.  
Approved (Davis/ Young 4:0:0.)

**e. Montecito Water District Water Supply Agreement Status**

Mr. Haggmark provided an update on the status of the Montecito Water District Water Supply Agreement.

**f. One Water Santa Barbara Status Update**

Mr. Haggmark gave a status update of One Water Santa Barbara.

Public Comment: Charles Hamilton

**7. WATER RESOURCES MANAGER'S REPORT**

Mr. Haggmark presented the Manager's Report.

Meeting adjourned at 11:46 a.m.

**DATE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING:  
Thursday, June 18, 2020, 9:00 a.m., GoToWebinar Platform**