



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

**Thursday, October 15, 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, Water Supply and Services Manager; Amanda Flesse, Wastewater System Manager; Matt Ward, Water System Manager; Daniel S. Hentschke, Assistant City Attorney; Gaylen Fair, Water Quality Superintendent; Mary Thompson, Acting Laboratory Supervisor, Jasmine Showers, Water Resources Specialist ; Madeline Wood, Water Conservation Supervisor; Theresa Lancy, Water Distribution Superintendent; Rachel Becerra, Commission Secretary; Adriana Morales, Administrative Assistant
- PUBLIC:** Charles Hamilton; Hillary Hauser; Alison Thompson, Heal the Ocean; Berlinda Blackburn, Marborg Industries; Gorman Lau, Larry Walker & Associates
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:** Mr. Haggmark noted the correct meeting time of 9:00 am-11:00 am.
 4. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.
 5. **CONSENT ITEMS:**
 - a. **Meeting Minutes:** Approval of Minutes – September 17, 2020
 - b. **Agreement With The United States Geological Survey For Surface Water and Groundwater Monitoring**

Motion to approve items 5a and 5b as presented.
Approved (Davis/Kielborn, 4:0:0.)
 6. **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:**
 - a. **Water System Annual Report**
Mr. Ward gave a presentation on the Water System initiatives, system performance, capital improvements, pilot projects, and recent innovations.
 - b. **Introduction of Ordinance to Amend Municipal Code Title 16 Liquid and Industrial Waste Disposal and to Update the Pretreatment Program Administrative Documents**
Ms. Thompson discussed the proposed update of the Pretreatment Program documents, including updating text to reflect current conditions, consolidating text to reduce redundancy, adding types of wastewater discharge permits issued to reflect changes made to SBMC Title 16, and reducing sampling frequency to align with Federal minimum requirements, reducing inspection frequency to the default Federal Standard with language included such that the City may conduct inspections more frequently if needed, and updating the public participation and confidentiality sections of the document.

Public Comment

Berlinda Blackburn; Marborg Industries
Alison Thompson; Heal the Ocean

Motion to approve recommendation a and b as presented, and to forward to Council.
Approved (Davis/Young, 4:0:0.)

c. Alliance for Water Efficiency – Platinum Level of Recognition

Ms. Wood shared that the City of Santa Barbara was awarded Platinum status by the Alliance for Water Efficiency in the G480-13 Water Conservation Program Operation and Management Standard (G480 Standard) Leaderboard.

7. WATER RESOURCES MANAGER’S REPORT

Mr. Haggmark presented the Manager’s Report.

Meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

DATE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING:

Thursday, November 19, 2020, 9:00 a.m., GoToWebinar Platform

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PUBLIC COMMENT: Public comments may be submitted via email to RBecerra@SantaBarbaraCA.gov prior to the beginning of the Meeting. All public comments submitted via email will be provided to the Commission and will become part of the public record.

AGENDAS, MINUTES, AND REPORTS: Documents relating to agenda items, as well as materials related to an item on this agenda that were submitted to the Water Commission after distribution of the agenda packet, are available.