



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

**Thursday, October 21, 2021
9:00 a.m.**

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- COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Dave Davis, Jeffrey Young, Lindsay Coony, Cora Kammeyer, Arturo Keller
- COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:** All commissioners present.
- COUNCIL LIAISON PRESENT:** Kristen Sneddon
- STAFF PRESENT:** Joshua Haggmark, Water Resources Manager; Amanda Flesse, Wastewater System Manager; Malcolm Hamilton, Water Resources Financial Officer; Dakota Corey, Water Supply Analyst; Cathy Taylor, Water Supply and Services Manager; Rachel Becerra, Commission Secretary
- PUBLIC:** Shawn Koorn, HDR Engineering; Quinlan Smith, UCSB; Ethan Hoffman, UCSB; Berlinda Blackburn; Cammy Bader; Joshiah Close; Molly Troup; Benjamin Pitterle
- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Davis 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 16, 2021

Motion to approve meeting minutes.
Approved (Keller/Young, 5:0:0.)
 - 6. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS:**
 - a. Introduction to Wastewater Rate Development**
Ms. Flesse and Mr. Koorn, the City's rate consultant from HDR Engineering, gave a presentation on the development of wastewater rates, capacity charges, and the initial focus areas for the rate study.
 - b. Water Agencies Update (CCWA/CCRB/COMB)**
Mr. Haggmark provided an update on the activities of the three water agencies.

Motion for the Water Commission Chair and Vice Chair to draft and send a letter on behalf of the Water Commission to the Santa Barbara County Water Agency expressing concerns regarding the County's lack of cooperation and respect for the City on major water issues related to Lake Cachuma operations.

Approved (Keller/Young, 4:0:1. Kammeyer abstained.)
 - c. Guidance for Ecological Assessment of Desal Operations (GEADO)**
UCSB Graduate students Mr. Hoffman and Mr. Smith provided preliminary findings on how the City might voluntarily monitoring for any long-term ecological impacts associated with the Desalination plant operations.

This work was done as part of a master's project under the supervision of Professor/Commissioner Arturo Keller.

7. WATER RESOURCES MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Haggmark presented the Manager's Report.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

**DATE OF NEXT REGULAR MEETING:
Thursday, November 18, 2021, 9:00 a.m.**