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Agenda Item 10a



### WATER SUPPLY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (WSAC) ACTION AGENDA

# Regular Meeting

August 13-14, 2015

Action Agenda prepared September 1, 2015 with action taken in bold type.

5:00 P.M. REGULAR MEETING - SESSION ONE (AUGUST 13): COMMUNITY ROOM

2:00 P.M. REGULAR MEETING - SESSION TWO (AUGUST 14): COMMUNITY ROOM

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City Councilmember Attendance: Four or more members of the City Council may be in attendance at this meeting.

### WATER SUPPLY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (WSAC) AGENDA

August 13, 2015 - 5:00 P.M.

#### **SESSION ONE**

<u>Call to Order</u> - Co-Facilitator Nicholas Dewar called the meeting to order at 5:02 P.M.

<u>Roll Call</u>: Committee Members present: Pepping, Holt, Jacobson, Longinotti, Slatter, Stanojevich, Keutmann, Rotkin, Mansergh, Beckmann, Stearns, Baskin, and Mesiti-Miller. Committee Member Absent: Engfer.

#### Welcome to Public and Oral Communication

Co-Facilitator Nicholas Dewar welcomed the public. Eight members of the public spoke on matters relating to the viability of recycled water, the energy consumption and health concerns of Direct Potable Reuse, the willingness of Santa Cruz citizens to read existing studies on recycled water, the benefits of off-stream storage, appreciation of the Committee's work and the concerns of the Building Blocks, concerns over the timing for potable reuse, the energy consumption of a proposal, and concerns over regional cooperation.

### **Committee Member Updates**

Four members of the Committee spoke on matters relating to Desal Alternatives' message, the Chamber of Commerce's support of the Committee's process thus far, the Committee's report to City Council, and addressing Committee Member Engfer's memorandum.

#### Agenda Review

Co-Facilitator Nicholas Dewar led Committee Members in a review of the agenda for the WSAC's fifteenth meeting. By consensus, the Committee agreed to accept the agenda with one change: Normal agenda items will resume after speaker Robert Marks has presented.

#### **Proposal Presentations**

Committee Members acting as representatives of the various proposal development groups presented their proposals, shared the interests they considered as they developed their proposals, shard their ratings of their proposals using the Committee's evaluation criteria, and answered clarifying questions from other Committee Members.

#### **Public Comment**

Six members of the public spoke on matters relating to the legality of Direct Potable Reuse in California, critical control points of Direct Potable Reuse, the elasticity of risk and certainty, the importance of certainty, the significance of consistency among Building Blocks, and the decline in risk of Aquifer Storage and Recovery.

# <u>Identification of Areas of Agreement</u>

Committee Members engaged in a discussion relating to the proposals developed and presented during the previous section and an identification of areas of preliminary agreement about interests and proposal elements.

# <u>Presentation and Discussion of Information on Possible Performance Measures</u> <u>for ASR and In-Lieu Recharge</u>

Technical Team Member, Robert Marks from Pueblo Water Resources, presented potential approaches to demonstrating performance for groundwater recharge strategies to Committee Members. Following the presentation, Committee Members discussed matters relating to the presentation and asked clarifying questions.

### **Public Comment**

Two members of the public spoke on matters relating to harvest abilities and concern over the Aquifer Storage and Recovery process.

#### Correspondence from the Community

The Committee Correspondence Secretary reported on correspondence received from the community.

### Subcommittee and Working Groups Update

Members of the Agreement Development and Solutions Phase Outreach Subcommittees and the Technical Team referred Committee Members to their reports for updates.

### Materials Resulting from the Previous Meeting

The Committee agreed by consensus to approve the Summary and the Action Agenda of the July Committee meeting.

**Written Review** - Committee Members provided written feedback regarding the session's usefulness.

Adjournment The Water Supply Advisory Committee adjourned from its first session on August 13, 2015 at 9:29 P.M. of the regular meeting of August 13-14, 2015 to its second and final session on August 14, 2015 for an open session after the hour of 2:00 P.M. in the Police Community Room at the Santa Cruz Police Department.

## Water Supply Advisory Committee Agenda

August 14, 2015 - 2:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.

#### **SESSION TWO**

<u>Call to Order</u> - Co-Facilitator Nicholas Dewar called the meeting to order at 2:02 P.M.

<u>Roll Call</u>: Committee Members present: Baskin, Beckmann, Holt, Jacobson, Keutmann, Longinotti, Mansergh, Mesiti-Miller, Pepping, Rotkin, and Slatter. Committee Members absent: Engfer, Stanojevic, and Stearns.

#### Welcome to Public and Oral Communication

Co-Facilitator Nicholas Dewar welcomed the public. Three members of the public spoke on matters relating to drought's impact on Santa Cruz's economy, purchasing property for Aquifer Storage and Recovery, and need to address potential added efforts of pursuing recycled water.

### Work Session on Adaptive Management Strategy

Committee Members engaged in a work session to further explore ways to develop and apply an adaptive management strategy to be used in implementing a portfolio of measures. By consensus, Committee Members agreed: the Committee's recommendation to City Council will include a Plan B, Plan A of their recommendation to City Council will be a combination of Building Blocks 1 and 2, to ask staff to develop a hybrid of Building Blocks 1 and 2 to be used for further discussion of Plan A and that this should include additional elements that staff considers appropriate, the Committee should request that Water Department staff draft schedules and budgets for Plans B that describe a Direct Potable Reuse alternative and a desalination alternative, and that those draft schedules and budgets show Plan B starting on "day 1," recognizing that these drafts can move each Plan to a later start date.

#### **Public Comment**

Eight members of the public spoke on matters relating to expediting the injection well schedule, equal concerns over both Indirect Potable Reuse and Direct Potable Reuse, the importance of CEQA and political acceptability of Plan B measures, Direct Potable Reuse and Indirect Potable Reuse discharge, the requirements of the quality of injection water regardless of its source, economic considerations of the water supply process, the benefits of an additional pipeline, and issues regarding bonds.

Review and Discussion of the Beginnings of the Committee's Agreements and Recommendations Document

Committee Members discussed their review and comments of the preliminary work that has been done drafting the Committee's Agreements and Recommendations document.

### **Public Comment**

Five members of the public spoke on matters relating to commendations to Committee Members for their work, especially on criteria; concerns over the fatal flaw; desalination's need to be used consistently or it will face deterioration; patience around Plan A's success; and public perception of the process and challenge at hand.

# Tasks and Assignments

Co-Facilitator Carie Fox led Committee Members in identifying and creating assignments for the tasks that need work in preparation of the September 10-11, 2015 meeting.

Written Review and Wrap Up - Committee Members provided written feedback regarding the session's usefulness.

Adjournment - The Water Supply Advisory Committee adjourned from the second session at 5:47 PM on August 14, 2015 of the regular meeting of August 13-14, 2015 to its next meeting on September 10, 2015 at 5:00 PM and September 11, 2015 at 2:00 PM in the Police Community Room at the Santa Cruz Police Department (155 Center St. Santa Cruz, CA 95060).