



Water Department

**Water Commission
Action Agenda
7:00 p.m. – Monday, October 1, 2012
Council Chambers
809 Center Street Santa Cruz**

Action Agenda

Call to Order By consensus, Commissioner D. Baskin was appointed as acting Chair and called the meeting to order at 7:22 p.m. in Council Chambers. Chair Meyers assumed the duties upon her arrival at 7:35 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: D. Baskin, B. Fouse, M. McClellan, D. Meyers 7:35 p.m. (Chair) and W. Wadlow.

Absent: G. Mead and A. Schiffrin, both absent with notice.

Staff: L. Almond, Deputy Water Director; P. Harmon, Principal Management Analyst; B. Kocher, Water Director; H. Luckenbach, Desalination Program Coordinator; D. Paul, Administrative Assistant and L. Tolles, Management Analyst.

Others: Three members of the public.

Presentation There were no presentations.

Statements of Disqualification There were no statements of disqualification.

Oral Communications There were no oral communications.

Announcements There were no announcements.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner W. Wadlow moved approval of the August 27, 2012 Water Commission minutes as submitted. Commissioner B. Fouse seconded.

VOICE VOTE MOTION CARRIED

AYES: D. Baskin (Chair), B. Fouse and W. Wadlow.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: G. Mead, D. Meyers and A. Schiffrin.

ABSTAIN: M. McClellan.

Consent Agenda

Commissioner M. McClellan moved approval of the Consent Agenda as submitted. Commissioner B. Fouse seconded.

VOICE VOTE MOTION CARRIED

AYES: D. Baskin (Chair), B. Fouse, M. McClellan and W. Wadlow.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: G. Mead, D. Meyers and A. Schiffrin.

Items Removed from the Consent Agenda No items were removed.

General Business

1. Loch Lomond Use Study

The Loch Lomond Use Study was postponed until the November meeting in order to allow ample review time.

2. Fiscal Policy and Model

Sanjay Gaur, Raftelis Financial Consultants, Inc. presented the Financial Plan Model and responded to numerous questions. A copy of the presentation will be included in the original papers.

Principal Analyst Harmon reported that the next step is to prepare a White Paper using the assumptions presented to develop the framework for the Financial Policies.

3. Water Supply Project – Commission Work Plan

Desalination Program Coordinator H. Luckenbach provided the staff report and responded to questions.

Oral Comments were made by S. McGilvray.

Commission Comments

The Commission complimented staff on the work plan that is being developed and look forward to reviewing the staff recommendation on the education and communication plan.

Subcommittee/Advisory Body Oral Reports No action shall be taken on this item.

1. City of Santa Cruz/Soquel Creek Water District Desalination Task Force

The scwd² Desalination Task Force has not met. The next meeting is scheduled for October 17, 2012.

2. Public Outreach and Education Program Subcommittee (Meyers)

Chair D. Meyers reported that the subcommittee met with staff and worked on the Commission work plan with staff. The subcommittee will meet in October to review the draft request for proposals for a communication program for Water Commission review at its November meeting.

Director's Oral Report No action shall be taken on this item.

1. Monthly Status of Water Supply

Director Kocher provided the 2012 water production targets, September 2012 daily water consumption and current storage capacity.

2. Desalination Program

Director Kocher reported on the series of articles written by J.M. Brown published in the Santa Cruz Sentinel last week.

3. LAFCO Process on Extending Water Service to UCSC

Director Kocher reported that LAFCO vote on this item has been postponed until the November meeting.

Media Articles No action was taken on this item.

1. News Article – Santa Cruz Sentinel – 08/23/12
2. News Article – Santa Cruz Sentinel – 09/05/12
3. News Article – Santa Cruz Good Times – 09/18/12

Items Initiated by Members for Future Agendas No items were initiated.

Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 9:26 p.m. until the next meeting of the Water Commission scheduled for November 5, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.