



Water Department

Water Commission Agenda
Regular Meeting
7:00 p.m. – Monday, April 1, 2013
Council Chambers
809 Center Street Santa Cruz

Agenda

Call to Order

Roll Call

Presentation *Organized groups may make presentations to the Water Commission. Presentations that require more than three minutes should be scheduled in advance with Water Department staff.*

Statements of Disqualification *Section 607 of the City Charter states that "...All members present at any meeting must vote unless disqualified, in which case the disqualification shall be publicly declared and a record thereof made."*

The City of Santa Cruz has adopted a Conflict of Interest Code, and Section 8 of that Code states that no person shall make or participate in a governmental decision which he or she knows or has reason to know will have a reasonably foreseeable material financial effect distinguishable from its effect on the public generally.

Oral Communications No action shall be taken on this item.

Announcements No action shall be taken on this item.

The Santa Cruz City Council and the Soquel Creek Water District Board of Directors have tentatively scheduled a Joint Study Session for the Desalination draft Environmental Impact Report (dEIR) and certification process on Tuesday, May 7, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the Santa Cruz Council Chambers.

Approval of Minutes ♦ (Pages 4-9)

Recommendation: Motion to approve the March 4, 2013 Water Commission minutes.

Consent Agenda (Pages 10-12)

Items on the consent agenda are considered to be routine in nature and will be acted upon in one motion. Specific items may be removed by members of the advisory body or public for separate consideration and discussion.

1. Three-month Calendar ♦ (accept info) (Page 10)
2. City Council Actions Affecting Water ♦ (accept info) (Page 11)
3. Written Correspondence from D. Burklo ♦ (accept info) (Page 12)

Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

General Business (Pages 13-62)

Any document related to an agenda item for the General Business of this meeting distributed to the Water Commission less than 72 hours before this meeting is available for inspection at the Water Administration Office, 212 Locust Street, Suite A, Santa Cruz, California. These documents will also be available for review at the Water Commission meeting with the display copy at the rear of the Council Chambers.

The Water Commission will take a short break as close to 9:00 p.m. as possible and upon completion of a business item.

1. Water Supply Conditions, Final Estimate of Water Supply Availability for 2013 ♦ (Pages 13-19)

Recommendation: That the Water Commission recommend City Council adopt a Resolution declaring a Stage 1 Water Shortage Alert for 2013 pending an improvement in local water conditions.

2. Habitat Conservation Plan Update ♦ (Pages 20-21)

Recommendation: That the Water Commission receive an update on the Habitat Conservation Plan.

3. Water Conservation Master Plan – Potential Opportunities ♦ (Pages 22-49)

Recommendation: That the Water Commission review the list of potential water conservation measures and a tech memo regarding the screening process.

4. Water Commission Work Plan Update ♦ (Pages 50-54)

Recommendation: That the Water Commission receive an update on the Water Commission Work Plan.

5. Loch Lomond Recreation Area Use Study ♦ (Pages 55-62)

******Reminder: Please bring your copy of the Loch Lomond Use Study******

Full Report available online for review at:

<http://www.cityofsantacruz.com/Modules/ShowDocument.aspx?documentid=31009>

Recommendation: That the Water Commission review and recommend approval of the Loch Lomond Recreation Area Use Study, with a specific recommendation for policy approach Option 1, 2 or 3.

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 (Schiffirin)

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

1. Monthly Status of Water Supply
2. Desalination Program
3. Status of Proposed Public Education and Outreach Contracts

Media Articles (Pages 63-69) No action shall be taken on this item.

1. News Article – Santa Cruz Sentinel ♣ (Pages 63-64)
2. News Article – Santa Cruz Sentinel ♣ (Page 65)
3. News Article – Santa Cruz Sentinel ♣ (Pages 66-67)
4. News Article – Santa Cruz Sentinel ♣ (Page 68)
5. News Article – Santa Cruz Sentinel ♣ (Page 69)

Information Items (Pages 70-82) No action shall be taken on this item.

1. Training Opportunities for Water Commissioners ♣ (Page 70)
2. Water Supply Reliability Public Awareness & Participation Plan –Request for Proposals ♣ (Pages 71-78)
3. Capital Improvement Program Budget (with Commission request) ♣ (Page 79-82)

Items Initiated by Members for Future Agendas (No items)

Adjournment The next meeting of the Water Commission is scheduled for May 6, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

♣ Denotes written materials included in packet

APPEALS - Any person who believes that a final action of this advisory body has been taken in error may appeal that decision to the City Council. Appeals must be in writing, setting forth the nature of the action and the basis upon which the action is considered to be in error, and addressed to the City Council in care of the City Clerk.

Other - Appeals must be received by the City Clerk within ten (10) calendar days following the date of the action from which such appeal is being taken. An appeal must be accompanied by a fifty dollar (\$50) filing fee.

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