



EXHIBIT 16-C

FINAL MINUTES

Legislative Advocacy Committee of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District

March 29, 2016

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am in the MPWMD conference room.

Committee members present: David Potter, Chair
Robert S. Brower, Sr.
David Pendergrass (Committee Alternate)

Committee members absent: Andrew Clarke

Staff members present: David J. Stoldt, General Manager
Arlene Tavani, Executive Assistant

District Counsel present: David C. Laredo

Comments from the Public: No comments.

Action Items

1. Review Legislative History of California State Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance and Consider Recommending Approval by Board of District Ordinance Implementing State Requirements

Brower offered a motion that was seconded by Potter to refer this issue for a second time to the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC). Staff should prepare for the TAC a list of the existing landscaping requirements, and the new requirements mandated by the state. If the jurisdictions support the Water Management District's effort to become the regional agency that _____ the ordinance and reports to the state on compliance, then each jurisdiction should submit a letter expressing support to the Board of Directors. The motion was approved on a vote of 3 – 0 by Brower, Potter and Pendergrass.

During receipt of public comment, Jeanne Byrne addressed the committee. She described the new regulations as “onerous” due to the cost to the applicant of developing landscaping and, in some cases, grading plans. Also the cost to the Water Management District staff to process the landscape plan application. She proposed that the Water Management District analyze the landscaping plan at no charge to the applicant. Byrne stated that if the jurisdictions preferred to adopt the landscaping regulations individually, there may be support for requesting that the State modify the landscaping ordinance.

Other Items: No other items were discussed.

Set Next Meeting Date

No follow-up meeting was scheduled.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 am.

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