

FINAL MINUTES
**Water Demand Committee of the
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District**
January 23, 2006

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:50 AM in the conference room of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District office.

Committee members present: Larry Foy, Chair (arrived at 10 AM)
Michelle Knight
Kristi Markey

Staff members present: David A. Berger, General Manager
Stephanie Pintar, Water Demand Manager
Arlene Tavani, Executive Assistant

Comments from Public

No members of the public were present.

Action Items

1. **Receive Minutes of December 8, 2005 Committee Meeting**
On a motion by Director Markey and second by Director Knight, the minutes were received on a vote of 2 – 0.
2. **Discuss Conceptual Ordinance No. 124 (since renumbered 125) – Clarifying Rules Related to Water Permits and Credits**
On a motion by Director Markey and second by Director Foy, the committee recommended on a vote of 3 – 0 that the Board conduct conceptual review of the ordinance prior to the first reading, and that the Board be advised that the committee supports revising the water permit regulations to provide clear guidelines for the public and staff.

During the discussion of Conceptual Ordinance No. 124, the directors suggested that an outline be prepared for the Board that identifies language in the draft ordinance that was not part of the original water permit rules. The outline should also identify sections in the ordinance where Board decision-making authority would be transferred to the General Manager. The memo should specify wherever a practice has been revised or a new concept is presented, and this should also be noted in the Findings. New language should be italicized in the conceptual ordinance.

3. **Review Potential Change to District Rule 20.C Exempting that Portion of Former Fort Ord within the MPWMD Boundary from Water Distribution System Expansion/Extension Permit Requirements**

On a motion by Director Markey and second by Director Knight, the committee recommended on a vote of 3 – 0 that a separate ordinance should be developed that addresses this issue, and that a conceptual ordinance should be presented to the Board prior to first reading.

During the committee discussion, Ms. Pintar said that she would check with District Counsel Laredo to determine if conceptual Ordinance No. 124 should state that no water permit from the District is required for development in the exempt Fort Ord areas. General Manager Berger suggested that staff meet with agencies that have jurisdiction in this area, prior to presenting the conceptual ordinance to the Board.

4. Review 2005 Monterey County Grand Jury Report Recommending MPWMD Connection Permit Rules Revision

District staff was requested to develop a response to the Monterey County Grand Jury advising them that: (1) the District appreciates the statement that Ordinance No. 98 “is a positive step forward;” (2) in the future, Grand Jury members should interview District staff and Board members to collect accurate information on our rules before making recommendations; and (3) the Grand Jury’s statement that a resident’s historical water use record “is available from public records” is incorrect, as that information is not a matter of public record.

5. Schedule Date for February 2006 Committee Meeting

The committee decided to meet again on March 21, 2006 at 3 PM.

Other Items

No discussion.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 AM.