

# FINAL MINUTES Water Demand Committee of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District

April 18, 2018

#### Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:35 pm in the MPWMD conference room.

**Committee members present:** Andy Clarke, Chair

Jeanne Byrne Molly Evans

**Committee members absent:** None

**Staff members present:** David Stoldt, General Manager

Stephanie Locke, Water Demand Division Manager

Gabriela Ayala, Conservation Analyst Arlene Tavani, Executive Assistant

**District Council present:** No

**Comments from the Public:** No comments.

#### **Action Items**

1. Consider Adoption of November 20, 2017 Committee Meeting Minutes
On a motion by Byrne and second of Evans, minutes of the November 20, 2017
committee meeting were adopted unanimously on a vote of 3 – 0 by Byrne,
Clarke and Evans.

### **Discussion Items**

2. Discuss Group I and Group II Non-Residential Water Use Factors

The committee discussed the issue. A summary of their comments is presented here. (a) Group 1 and Group II could be combined under the Group II water use factor because they are likely similar. (b) Combining groups could save staff time and be more equitable for property owners. (c) Could charge a fee to move from a Group I use to a Group II use. (d) Suggest remove "dry cleaner with on-site laundry" from Group II. (e) Develop a stronger definition of "restaurant." (f) Concerned that water use would increase by allowing a site with the previous use of a futon store to take on a Group II use. (g) Grandfather properties with Group 1 uses to the Group II factor. (h) Calculate the water use per square foot of a space based on its actual water use, and then compare that to the District's factor for the use. The savings could be identified and allocated to the change in the factor. (i) On average, implementation of Best Management Practices at a business with a Group II use will reduce the water use to that of a Group I category.

## 3. Discuss Conservation Offset Program

There was consensus regarding the following: (a) Project Specifications: project could be either District or developer designed. (b) Offset or credit ratio: continue with the District practice of allocating 15% of savings to benefit the river and 10% for a District reserve. (c) Permanence: offset benefits should accrue permanently. (d) Additionality: consensus that a project must create new water savings or supply that would not/is not expected to have happened anyway, either through District conservation programs, building code changes, expected customer behavior, etc. (e) An ordinance could be developed and brought to the Board after a determination is made on Condition 2 of Order 2009-0060.

### 4. Discuss Fire Service Requirement

The committee discussed this item. A summary of their comments follows. (a) Continue with current requirement. (b) Consider a deed restriction along with the current requirement. (c) Develop a waiver (determined by the General Manager) for those circumstances where the optimal installation cannot be implemented.

**Set Next Meeting Date:** No future meeting date was scheduled.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 pm.

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