

FINAL MINUTES Technical Advisory Committee of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District

September 22, 2015

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:36 pm in the Conference room at the offices of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District.

Committee members present: City of Carmel-by-Sea Marc Wiener (arrived at 2:45 pm)

City of Del Rey Oaks
City of Monterey
City of Pacific Grove
City of Seaside
Monterey Peninsula

Daniel Dawson
Todd Bennett, Chair
Anastazia Aziz
Tim O'Halloran
Shelley Glennon

Airport District

Committee members absent: County of Monterey Rob Johnson

City of Sand City Todd Bodem, Vice Chair

Staff members present: David J. Stoldt, General Manager

Stephanie Locke, Water Demand Division Manager

Arlene Tavani. Executive Assistant

Comments from the Public: No comments.

Action Items

1. Consider Adoption of February 18, 2015 Committee Meeting Minutes

On a motion by Aziz and second of Bennett, the minutes were approved on a vote of 3-2. Glennon, Aziz and Bennett voted in favor of the motion. Dawson and O'Halloran abstained from voting as they were not present at the February 18, 2015 meeting. Johnson, Bodem and Wiener were absent for the vote.

2. Discuss Implementation of 2015 Department of Water Resources Update to Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance (MWELO)

Dawson offered a motion that was seconded by O'Halloran to approve adoption of the Model Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance; that it be adopted by all jurisdictions within the Water Management District; and that the District be responsible to implement the ordinance as a regional measure. The motion was approved on a vote of 6 – 0 by Dawson, O'Halloran, Wiener, Bennett, Aziz and Glennon. Johnson and Bodem were absent. There was also consensus that the Water Management District should send a letter to each jurisdiction regarding regional implementation of the State landscape ordinance. No public comment was directed to the committee on this item.

Mark Wiener joined the meeting at 2:45 pm during the committee discussion of this item.

Locke introduced the item to the committee and responded to questions. Comments from the committee members: (A) Will the Water Management District assess a fee for processing the landscape permits? Response: Yes, a permit processing fee. The fee must be developed, based on the extra time needed to process the application including field inspections. (B) The City of Monterey has adopted the State ordinance, but does not fine persons who are out of compliance. Monterey would willingly pass the responsibility for implementation and enforcement to the Water Management District. (C) Suggest that a conceptual landscape plan could be submitted to the planning departments and the final would be submitted with their building permit, and at that point the Water Management District would review the plan for the water permit and conduct the landscape plan inspections. (D) The jurisdictions should encourage applicants to contact the Water Management District at the beginning of the planning process. (E) A bill has been adopted by the State Assembly that requires the jurisdictions to approve installation of artificial turf. (F) It is not a surety that the City of Del Rey Oaks will support the Water Management District taking responsibility to enforce the State ordinance for the jurisdictions. (G) Could the State issue fines to the Water Management District if it did not enforce the ordinance? Response: Yes. The State regulation includes reporting requirements that the Water Management District must adhere to. (H) Would each jurisdiction need to adopt the State ordinance and file the reports? Response: The jurisdictions could adopt the ordinance. However if this is a regional program, the Water Management District must notify the Department of Water Resources and begin implementation in February 2015.

3. Consider Proposed Rebate Program Changes

On a motion by O'Halloran and second of Bennett, the committee recommended that the Board of Directors approve the proposed changes to the rebate program. The motion was adopted on a vote of 6-0 by Dawson, O'Halloran, Wiener, Bennett, Aziz and Glennon. Johnson and Bodem were absent.

During the discussion of this item, Stoldt stated that a revised water rationing plan will be presented to public groups soon. Locke reported that surveys were sent to restaurant owners asking them to report the number of outdoor seats in their establishments. Aziz announced that on October 7-9, 2015 the California Stormwater Quality Association would meet in Monterey. Some sections on greywater recharge are scheduled.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 pm.

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