FINAL MINUTES

Water Demand Committee of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District September 29, 2011

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 am in the conference room of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District office.

Committee members present: Kristi Markey, Chair

Regina Doyle

Committee members absent: Brenda Lewis

Staff members present: David Stoldt, General Manager

Stephanie Pintar, Water Demand Division Manager

Arlene Tavani, Executive Assistant

District Counsel present: David Laredo, De Lay and Laredo

Comments from Public

No comments.

Action Items

1. Receive Minutes of June 22, 2011 Committee Meeting

On a motion by Doyle and second of Markey, the minutes were received unanimously on a vote of 2-0. No public comment was directed to the committee on this item.

2. Review A&N Technical Services Analysis of Non-Residential Water Use Factors and Consider Recommendation to Board

On a motion by Markey and second of Doyle, the committee recommended that the Board receive the A&N Technical Services Analysis. In addition, the staff report submitted to the Board should clearly state that the report was intended to update the water-use factors used by the District for permitting commercial projects. The report recommends that the factors should not be used for rate-making purposes. However, California American Water has chosen to base commercial rates on the factors. The motion was approved unanimously on a vote of 2-0.

Discussion Items

3. Discuss Providing Water Credit for Installation of Rainwater Harvesting Systems when Permitting a Modification to an Existing Connection

There was consensus among committee members that water-use credit should not be granted for installation of rainwater harvesting systems. Staff was directed to investigate establishment of an increase in the rebate for installation of rainwater harvesting systems, possibly up to 50 percent of the cost. In addition, staff should look into the feasibility of

providing free periodic inspections of rainwater harvesting systems, conducted either by staff or a contractor. Staff will follow-up with the Pacific Grove Chamber of Commerce and explain why water credit will not be granted for rainwater harvesting systems, and solicit the Chamber for ideas on how to promote use of these systems.

4. Discuss Development of Policy Regarding High Efficiency Toilets and Issuance of Water Credits

There was consensus among committee members that staff should proceed with development of an ordinance that would require the installation of high efficiency toilets, thus eliminating the rebate for installation of those toilets. A fixture unit count of 1.0 fixture units would be assigned for installation of ultra-high efficiency toilets, with an associated rebate of 0.3 fixture units. The draft ordinance will likely be submitted for Board consideration in January 2012.

5. Review District's Authority to Inspect Site for Compliance with District Permit and Conservation Laws

The committee reviewed the procedure for advising applicants that when a change in fixtures has occurred at a site, the entire property will be inspected. The committee concluded that the notification process is sufficient, and that the District has authority to inspect the entire premises.

Set Next Meeting Date

The committee agreed to meet on Wednesday, October 26, 2011, at 4 pm.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 am.