

FINAL MINUTES Water Demand Committee of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District January 24, 2017

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 am in the MPWMD conference room.

Committee members present:	Molly Evans, Chair Jeanne Byrne Andy Clarke
Committee members absent:	None
Staff members present:	David Stoldt, General Manager Stephanie Locke, Water Demand Division Manager Arlene Tavani, Executive Assistant
District Counsel present:	None
Comments from the Public:	No comments.

Action Items

- 1. Consider Adoption of October 3, 2016 Committee Meeting Minutes On a motion by Byrne and second of Clarke, the committee approved the October 3, 2016 minutes on a unanimous vote of 3 – 0 by Byrne, Clarke and Evans.
- 2. Discuss and Provide Direction to Staff on Development and Implementation of Pressure Reducing Valve (PRV) Program

Locke presented the topic to the committee. She proposed that the District develop a program to fund installation of pressure reducing valves. The program costs would be reimbursed by California American Water from funds made available through the last general rate case. The funds must be used within 90 days which would be sufficient time to purchase the valves, but might not be enough time to implement an installation program.

The committee discussed the program concept and suggested the following. (a) Purchase the pressure reducing values and provide them to the public at no cost. (b) The District would not install the values. (c) Establish a rebate program for installation of the values by the property owner. (d) Advertise this program in areas that experience abnormally high water pressure such as neighborhoods in valleys or with water pressure above 125 psi. Make it clear that the District would not be liable for damage to plumbing that might

result from valve installation. (e) Staff should continue the practice of collecting water pressure readings when inspections are conducted in order to enhance the data record on the location of high pressure areas. (f) High pressure areas could be mapped and the information provided to the California Public Utilities Commission when work begins on California American Water's next general rate case. It may be that additional funding could be provided in the next rate case to address high pressure areas in the water system.

3. Consider Lawn Removal Rebate Request from Monterey Peninsula Unified School District for Martin Luther King Jr. Byrne offered a motion to recommend that the Board of Directors approve a rebate in the amount of \$19,969 for turf removal at Martin Luther King Jr. School. The motion was seconded by Clarke and approved unanimously on a vote of 3 – 0 by Byrne, Clarke and Evans.

Discussion Item

4. Update on Del Rey Wood and Monte Vista Turf Removal Projects There was no discussion of this topic.

Set Next Meeting Date: February 13, 2017, 3:30 pm

Evans requested that at a future meeting the committee discuss how water could be allocated to restaurants that are required to use paper tableware as a water saving measure. Water conservation is an important consideration, however; the requirement for single use tableware causes an increase in waste to the landfill. Evans asked staff to provide statistics on the amount of water used by restaurants for dishwashing annually.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 am.

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