MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

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IN ATTENDANCE: Vice Mayor Krasne, Councilmember Gold, M.D., City Manager Mahdi Aluzri, Assistant City Manager George Chavez, Assistant Directors of Public Works Chad Lynn and Trish Rhay, Deputy Director of Public Works Erick Lee, Public Works Commission Chair Sandra Aronberg, Public Works Commission Vice-Chair Jeff Wolfe, Water Resources Manager Vince Damasse, Senior Management Analyst Caitlin Sims, Executive Assistant III Audrey Wright, Consultants Steve Bucknam and Mike Whipple, Recreation & Parks Commission Chair Frances Bilak

1) PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public will be given the opportunity to directly address the Committee on any item listed on the agenda.

Speakers: None

(Out of Order)

4) WATER SUB-METERING DISCUSSION

Senior Management Analyst Caitlin Sims provided comment. Staff to explore technology related to internal metering. The Public Works Liaison Committee recommended moving forward with meters installed and managed by the City and directed staff to explore technologies related to internal metering that would reduce the impact on the public right-of-way.

A. Recommendation from Public Works Commission

- Amend Building & Safety Code to require new multi-family dwellings to have a separate water meter for each unit. The Public Works Commission recommends requiring new multi-family residential properties install separate meters along with set-back space dedicated to meters; appeals would be allowed.

B. Metering versus Sub-metering

- With Metering, install, maintenance and billing will be completed by the City with each individual meter located in the public right-of-way. With Sub-metering, install, maintenance and billing will be completed by the property owner with one master meter located on the property. Concerns exist with both.
C. Neighboring Examples

- The cities of San Diego, Long Beach and Santa Monica have sub-metering ordinances. Santa Monica requires sub-metering for more than six units as well as meters for new multi-family units with six or fewer units.

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2) WATER EXACTION (DEVELOPMENT) FEE DISCUSSION

Assistant Director of Public Works Trish Rhay and Water Resources Manager Vince Damasse provided comment. Staff to analyze the scenario as compared to the City receiving the same amount of water from MWD.

A. Goals of the Exaction Fee

- Develop additional groundwater
- Reduce independence on Metropolitan Water District
- In addition to the Water Capacity Charge to fund additional groundwater supply
- Build an additional high capacity well in the La Brea Sub-area
- Build Coldwater Canyon Groundwater Project
- Fee is in addition to the City’s Water Capacity Charge

B. Recommendations

- Enact Water Supply Exaction Fee (WSEF) with separate collection and accounting
- An annual WSEF report in the same manner as the Water Capacity Charge
- Periodic review of the WSEF to update costs and analyze its adequacy as new auxiliary sources of supply become available

3) WATER CAPACITY FEE UPDATE

Water Resources Manager Vince Damasse provided comment. Fees are based on meter size. Fire service capacity fees are not being charged; they are included in the existing capacity charges for domestic service. The Public Works Commission requested staff inquire about the City allowing payment plans.

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