



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS

455 N. Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills, CA 90210
Room 280A

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

June 13, 2019
8:00 AM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Date/Time: June 13, 2019 / 8:01 AM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CIVILITY STATEMENT

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Present: Commissioners Alpert, Wolfe, Vice Chair Greer, Chair Aronberg
Commissioners Absent: Commissioner Felsenthal
Staff Present: Gil Borboa, Mark Brower, Vince Damasse, Josette Descalzo, Samer Elayyan, Shana Epstein, Michael Hensley, Ilene Knebel, Chad Lynn, Keith Sterling, Michelle Tse, Robert Welch

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Members of the public may address the Commission regarding any items not on the Agenda that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. By State law, the Commission may not discuss or vote on items not on the agenda.

Speaker: None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

By Order of the Chair, the agenda was approved as presented.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Consideration of April 11, 2019, Public Works Commission Regular Meeting Minutes.

Motion: MOVED by Commissioner Alpert, SECONDED by Commissioner Wolfe to adopt the minutes as amended (4-0).

AYES: Commissioners Alpert, Wolfe, Vice Chair Greer, Chair Aronberg
NOES: None

CARRIED

2. Consideration of May 9, 2019, Public Works Commission Regular Meeting Minutes.

Motion: MOVED by Vice Chair Greer, SECONDED by Commissioner Alpert to adopt the minutes as presented (4-0).

AYES: Commissioners Alpert, Wolfe, Vice Chair Greer, Chair Aronberg
NOES: None

CARRIED

REPORTS FROM PRIORITY AGENCIES

Assistant Director Gil Borboa reported on a recent MWD News Release, The Water Resilience Challenge, and the current state of the snow pack.

3. Capital Projects Update

Project Manager Robert Welch updated the Commission on the Capital Improvement & Major Project items. Specifically updated were Oil Well Plugging Project, and the Metro/Purple Line Project – Sections #1 and #2.

Staff also commented on the LED Street Light Project.

4. Foothill Water Treatment Plant Update/La Brea Subarea Update

Water Resources Manager Vince Damasse, Project Manager Samer Elayyan and NV5 Consultant Charlie McKinley gave an update regarding the Water Treatment Plant.

- The Commission commented they would like to see more information on alternative technologies as well as the most up to date water quality reports.

Water Resources Manager Vince Damasse reported on the La Brea Subarea Project including discussions with property owners for potential well sites.

5. Public Works Customer Service Update

Senior Management Analyst Michael Hensley reviewed the statistics for the Customer Service Bureau and presented information on the online/mobile AskBev App which the public is encouraged to use.

- The Commission commented on various aspects of the Customer Service Presentation.

The Commission took a break at 10:02 AM.

The Commission returned at 10:12 AM.

6. Agenda Items for July Through December 2019 Meetings

Senior Management Analyst Michael Hensley presented the proposed agenda items. The Sustainable Groundwater Management Act amendment to the MOU will be added to the July Agenda.

- Commissioner Alpert submitted a list of suggested additional agenda and discussion items to be included in the next six months including potential local tours.
- There was also emphasis on a continued discussion about plant operations.

NEW BUSINESS

7. State Bill 998: Residential Water Service Disconnections

Utility Billing and Customer Services Manager Mark Brower discussed the implementation of State Bill 998, standardizing the water service disconnection for residential accounts.

8. Updating The City Sustainability Plan and Programs Update

Environmental Compliance and Sustainability Programs Manager Josette Descalzo reported on the upcoming updates to the Sustainability Plan including The Green Ambassador Program and a Sustainability Workshop Series to begin in September.

9. New City Website Update

Planning and Research Analyst Michelle Tse and Public Information Manager Keith Sterling demonstrated the new design features of the City Website and some specifications of the specific Public Works pages.

PROJECT UPDATES & STATUS REPORTS

10. Water Efficiency Update

No discussion.

11. Specific Information and Department Updates

No discussion.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE COMMISSION

12. Chair's Report

- Mayor's Cabinet Meeting highlights are available online.
- The Commission shared a video about the City of Phoenix, Arizona's Water Program.
<https://www.pbs.org/video/amid-drought-phoenix-plans-for-a-future-with-less-water-1558893365/>

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STAFF

13. Director's report

- Director Epstein reported on the completion of Beverly Gardens Park.
- The IWRMP Workshop will move forward on Thursday, June 27th.
- Future grant opportunities will be announced at a later date.
- Upcoming meeting dates and events were reviewed.

ADJOURNMENT

Date / Time: June 13, 2019 / 11:22 AM

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 11TH DAY of JULY, 2019



Sandra Aronberg, M.D., Chair