MEETING CALLED TO ORDER
Date / Time: August 11, 2020/1:02 PM

IN ATTENDANCE: Vice Chair Wunderlich, Councilmember Gold M.D., City Manager George Chavez, Assistant City Manager Nancy Hunt-Coffey, Deputy City manager Gabriella Yap, Director of Public Works Shana Epstein, Assistant Director of Public Works/Utilities Gil Borboa, Public Works Commission Chair Joshua Greer, Public Works Commission Vice Chair Charles Alpert, Executive Assistant Ilene Knebel.

Consultants from Hazen and Sawyer, Vice President and Operations Manager Cindy Miller and Senior Associate Tori Yokoyama.

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

2) Integrated Water Resources Master Plan 2020 (IWRMP)
Director Epstein introduced the topic and the consultants from Hazen and Sawyer, Vice President and Operations Manager Cindy Miller and Senior Associate Tori Yokoyama.

Senior Associate Tori Yokoyama explained The IWRMP is a water resources roadmap. It’s a comprehensive planning document for our water sewer and storm drains and includes an analysis of key topics project development and priorities. The discussion will include priorities and criteria used to develop the IWRMP.

Technical topics to be covered are water demand projections, water supply portfolio groundwater alternative sources and emergency storage. Also to be discussed are the Public Works Commission’s recommendations and next steps.

Previous workshops and meeting results were discussed. Meetings occurred with outside agencies related to the water system including City of West Hollywood, West Basin Municipal Water District, and the City of Los Angeles. (Other water supply sources are also being explored with outside agencies looking towards the future.)

Priorities were developed and helped to guide development and analysis. The priorities are water supply reliability, emergency resiliency, addressing aging infrastructure and account for growth.

Scoring was used to guide development of the project. Scoring criteria/process was discussed.
Water demand/consumption history was reviewed as well as the will serve letter process and upcoming developments in West Hollywood and Beverly Hills. Demand projection methodologies show a conservative approach.

There was brief discussion about the water supply portfolio. It has been evaluated and expanded towards diversification towards local sources like groundwater. Groundwater production is a critical component to the city’s water supply portfolio. Former and future well sites were also discussed. It does not seem feasible to use old wells; new wells would need to be drilled.

The alternative sources section identifies large irrigation users in the city. Steps need to be taken now for long term water supply demands in parks and medians. Conservation was noted as part of the portfolio.

There was a discussion about how much water should be kept in the reservoirs and how water moves between the reservoirs. Councilmembers agreed the most amount of storage possible should be available.

Two city owned sites have been identified as potential locations for additional emergency water storage; Reservoir 4B and Cabrillo Reservoir. A summary of these projects and estimated costs were reviewed.

The Public Works Commission recommendations were presented. The highest priority being emergency water storage.

The top four projects for CIP Funding are:
- 4C reservoir funding
- Potable water Cabrillo reservoir
- LADWP interconnection upgrade
- Coldwater Reservoir & Pump Station Improvements

All four projects enhance the priority of water storage.

Councilmembers suggested a follow up meeting to combine the recommendations of the Public Works Commission and the Consultant and clarify the current CIP finances, rearrange priorities and identify what would need to be added in the next cost of service study. In addition, the Councilmembers asked for an analysis on what would be the most amount of storage possible and the cost.

3) ADJOURNMENT
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