



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
455 N. Rexford Drive
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4th Floor Conference Room A

The Beverly Hills City Council / Public Works Commission Liaison Committee

SPECIAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Thursday, April 27, 2017
10:30 AM

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Date / Time: April 27, 2017/ 10:35 AM

IN ATTENDANCE: Vice Mayor Gold, M.D., Councilmember Wunderlich, Assistant City Manager George Chavez, Director of Public Works Shana Epstein, Assistant Director of Public Works Trish Rhay, City Engineer Mark Cuneo, Deputy Director of Public Works Erick Lee, City Architect Mandana Motahari, Public Works Commission Chair Jeff Wolfe, Public Works Commission Vice Chair Jerry Felsenthal, Water Resources Manager Vince Damasse, Planning & Research Analyst Michelle Tse, Senior Management Analyst Caitlin Sims, Management Analyst Logan Phillippo, General Park Maintenance Supervisor David Garrard, Lynn Grijalva (Hazen & Sawyer), Executive Assistant II Ilene Knebel.

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) UPDATE ON SANTA MONICA GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

Water Resources Manager Vince Damasse presented item.

- The Memorandum of Understanding will be presented on May 16 to the City Council.
- This agreement advocates for local control for the management and use of groundwater.
- The legislation allows for local agencies to form GSAs and self-manage their basin. Stakeholders have met and Santa Monica is the designated lead agency.
- A key component is the combination of land/water use.
- At this time there is no cost to the City. We can submit to opt out of the agreement at any time.

3) WELL WATER ANALYSES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Water Resources Manager Vince Damasse and Hazen & Sawyer Principal Lynn Grijalva reported on this item.

- Background was presented on the closure of the RO Plant in February 2015 for rehabilitation and upgrades.
- Prior to the shutdown, there were water quality issues with sanding, manganese and dissolved iron.
- Now that the wet commissioning process has restarted, the levels of the sand and particulate matter getting through the RO membranes has increased.
- Iron sulfite has been found in all four wells and is appearing as a black particulate matter.

- Ms. Grijalva presented samples of the water showing the sand and other particulate matter.
- Next steps include a feasibility analysis, testing and alternate pre-treatment options.
- City Council would like further updates on this topic as well as a plan developed to review alternatives.

4) INTERIM IRRIGATION OF SUNSET AND BURTON MEDIANS

Assistant Director of Public Works Trish Rhay reported on this item.

- Due to State water restrictions, conditions of turf on the medians have deteriorated.
- Restrictions are still in effect, including the watering of ornamental turf with potable water.
- Interim irrigation solution was reviewed.
- Landscaping plan needs to be developed with public input.
- Long-term plans are in development.
- The Public Works Commission met and recommended improving the turf conditions by irrigating with non-potable water from the Cabrillo Reservoir.
- City Council Liaisons agreed with the Public Works Commission and suggested a two-year annual appropriation of \$182,500 per year.

5) ADJOURNMENT

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