

MEETING REPORT
WATER COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2021
11:00 A.M.

Chair: Director Balen
Member: Director Ringen
Observer: Director Kerns

Staff: Don Perkins
Erik Johnson
Steve Sheffield
Antonio Ramirez
Eric Hall
Glen Nunnelley
Tony Diaz
Melissa McMullen

1. Review Request for a Variance Agreement for Water and Sewer Service to Non-Adjacent Parcel - Carlson and Piche-Carlson

Antonio Ramirez presented the summarization of the request for a Variance for Water and Sewer Service to Non-Adjacent Parcel – Carlson and Piche-Carlson and responded to questions.

The Committee inquired and staff responded to the following:

- Location of water and sewer lines, water meter, and back flow device
- Availability of water and sewer service to future parcels
- Recording of Participation Agreement against property

Director Ringen inquired what the District's process was if staff does not agree with the City of Sonora or the contractor on the design of the project. Staff responded that a work order would not be issued until the project was agreed upon.

Committee Recommendation: The Committee recommended that this item be presented to the Board of Directors for review and possible approval.

2. Review Agreement Regarding Construction and Transfer of Water and Sewer Main Line Extensions to Serve the Cuesta Heights Development - SV 110, LLC

Antonio Ramirez presented the summarization of the agreement regarding construction and transfer of Water and Sewer Main Line Extensions to serve the Cuesta Heights Development – SV 110, LLC and responded to questions.

The Committee inquired and staff responded to the following:

- Fire Department connection at tank site - fire hydrant will be downstream of tank and none of the fire flow will be pumped

Committee Recommendation: The Committee recommended that this item be presented to the Board of Directors for review and possible approval.

3. A Review of the Historic Properties Management Plan (HPMP)

Director Balen stated with plans such as the Historic Management Plan (HPMP) that any discovery of the cumulative effects on the culture resources, it could jeopardize its eligibility to the National Register of Historic Places. Director Balen stated that she felt the HPMP was deficient in containing a Vegetation Management Plan. Director Balen stated that she would like to see a volunteer program that can help the District with a Vegetation Management Plan.

Director Balen suggested the following:

- Review 2017 Letter from Brian Cremene Landscape Architect
- Develop a Vegetation Management Plan
- Volunteer Program to assist the District with the Vegetation Management Plan

Committee Recommendation: The Committee will do an in-depth field review on the Historic Management Plan and the CEQA Compliance Measures.

4. Review of Ditch Maintenance for 2021 and CEQA Compliance Measures

Director Balen suggested the following:

- District to look for grants for watershed restoration, and cultural resource restoration
- Consideration of a citizen based Ditch Volunteer Group

Committee Recommendation: The Committee will do an In-depth review with the intent of expanding and modifying the CEQA Compliance document and maintenance procedures.