

MEETING REPORT
WATER COMMITTEE
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2021
9:00 AM

Chair: Director Balen
Member: Director Ringen

Staff: Don Perkins
Erik Johnson
Steve Sheffield
Antonio Ramirez
Matt Nolte
Rich Pitcher
Lisa Westbrook

1. Review Variance Agreement for Water Service to Non-Adjacent Parcel – Callaghan and Page

Antonio Ramirez presented the summarization of the request for a Variance Agreement for Water Service to Non-Adjacent Parcel – Callaghan and Page and responded to questions.

The Committee inquired and staff responded to the following:

- The water service will be a standard gravity feed water connection.
- Once the agreement has been approved, the District will work with the property owner on the size for the water pipeline.
- The connection fees will be determined on the first- and second-unit size.
- The District may want to consider developing a separate Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) policy for future connections.

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

2. Discussion Regarding Water Service to a Non-Adjacent Parcel in the Community of Jamestown – Curtin

Antonio Ramirez presented the summarization of a Water Service to a Non-Adjacent Parcel in the Community of Jamestown – Curtin and responded to questions.

Public comment was heard by John Curtin.

The Committee inquired and staff responded to the following:

- If TUD provided water service, the properties would need to install a backflow device.
- Review and look at possible nearby water containments.
- To provide a possible water connection, an easement may be required.
- The area would need a public main water extension to connect future properties or a variance.
- What would the costs be for TUD to install a water main loop in the area as part of the project?

Committee Recommendation: The Committee would like more details on the residential development before recommending approval.

3. Discussion on Land Acquisition for New Zone 4 Tank and Pump Station

Erik Johnson presented an overview of possible Land Acquisition for New Zone 4 Tank and Pump Station and responded to questions. The parcel that the District is considering is northeast of the current Zone 4 Tank location.

The Committee inquired and staff responded to the following:

- 45 customers are served by the current pump station.
- The District plans to build a new pump station if a new water tank site is constructed.
- Existing pipelines will be used for new location.
- There was an appraisal done on the parcel.

Committee Recommendation: The Committee recommended approval for this land acquisition and this item be presented to the Board of Directors for review at a future meeting and possible approval.

4. Discussion and Possible Recommendation on Energy Costs, Sustainability, Alternatives, State Direction and Policy Development.

Director Balen and other Board members are concerned about TUD becoming more sustainable. Don Perkins added that staff is looking at other energy alternatives, such as solar. Director Balen would like the Board to consider developing policies that emphasize sustainable options regarding fire protection and using raw water vs. treated water. Director Ringen would like to include in the policy that when a new pump station is considered for construction that solar panels would be installed. Director Balen stated that TUD will need to look at the transition from gas vehicles to electric vehicles.

Committee Recommendation: The Committee recommends a sustainability/strategic plan workshop in the near future to discuss with all the Board of Directors.