

CITY OF VENTURA

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# VENTURA WATER COMMISSION MINUTES

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**Gerhardt Hubner**  
Commissioner Chair

**Robert McCord**  
Commissioner Vice-Chair

**Nova Clite**  
Commissioner

**Suzanne McCombs**  
Commissioner

**Susan Mulligan**  
Commissioner

**William Ackerman**  
Commissioner

**Grant Burton**  
Commissioner

Susan Rungren, Ventura Water General Manager  
Miles Hogan, Assistant City Attorney  
Debra Gallegos, Recording Secretary

## SPECIAL MEETING

**TUESDAY, MARCH 30, 5:30 P.M.**

**IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE STAY AT HOME ORDER AND THE COUNTY OF VENTURA HEALTH OFFICER DECLARED LOCAL HEALTH EMERGENCY AND BE WELL AT HOME ORDER RESULTING FROM THE NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19), CITY HALL IS CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC.**

***Water Commission conducted this meeting in accordance with California Governor Newsom's Executive Orders N-20-20 and N-35-20 and COVID-19 pandemic protocols.***

**Commission Chair Hubner called the meeting to order at 5:36 p.m.**

### **ROLL CALL – WATER COMMISSION**

**Present:** Commissioners Ackerman, Burton, Clite, McCombs, McCord, Mulligan and Hubner. (all via teleconference/video conference)

**Absent:** None.

### **WATER COMMISSION ITEMS**

#### **1. FINAL DRAFT 2020 WATER SHORTAGE EVENT CONTINGENCY PLAN**

Staff recommends the Water Commission receive this written report and an oral presentation on the Final Draft 2020 Water Shortage Event Contingency Plan and recommend approval to City Council.

Members of the Public: Burt Handy.

Commissioner Burton moved to recommend to City Council to approve the Final Draft of the 2020 Water Shortage Event Contingency Plan with the addition of a footnote to Table 1-1 “Near Term Water Supply Reliability Assuming 5-Year Drought” explaining that our supply projections do not include potential water received from the State Water Project, and to replace the word “weather” with “climate” where appropriate. Commissioner Ackerman seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Ackerman, Burton, Clite, McCombs, Mulligan, McCord, and Hubner.

NOES: None.

Commissioner Chair Hubner declared the motion carried, 7-0.

**2. ORDINANCE AMENDING THE WATER CONSERVATION REGULATIONS AND WATER SHORTAGE REGULATIONS AND RATES RELATING THERETO**

A. Staff Recommends the Water Commission receives this written report and an oral update on the proposed Ordinance Amending the Water Conservation Regulations and Water Shortage Regulations and Rates Relating Thereto;

B. Provide feedback and recommend City Council approve the Ordinance, subject to incorporation of any requested changes.

Members of the Public: Burt Handy.

Commissioner Burton moved to recommend to City Council to approve the proposed Ordinance Amending the Water Conservation Regulations and Water Shortage Regulations and Rates Relating Thereto with the modification to remove any potential criminal liability for noncompliance and to include a clause at the end of Section 22.171.060 “Stage One and Two Water Shortage Restrictions (0-10% Reduction Goal [Voluntary/Mandatory])”, part A number 5 stating “commencing at Stage 2” to reflect that Water Shortage Surcharge Rates do not apply until a Stage 2 Water Shortage Event. Commissioner Mulligan seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Ackerman, Burton, Clite, McCombs, Mulligan, McCord, and Hubner.

NOES: None.

Commissioner Chair Hubner declared the motion carried, 7-0.

**ADJOURNMENT: 6:48 P.M.**