

CITY OF VENTURA

VENTURA WATER COMMISSION MINUTES

Gerhardt Hubner, Chair
Grant Burton, Vice-Chair
Martin Feeney, Commissioner
Don Mills, Commissioner
Scott McCarty, Commissioner
Suzanne McCombs, Commissioner
Robert McCord, Commissioner
Michael Anderson, Alternate Commissioner

Susan Rungren, Interim General Manager
Miles Hogan, Assistant City Attorney
Debra Martinez, Administrative Assistant

**REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2019, 5:30 P.M.
COMMUNITY MEETING ROOM, 501 POLI STREET, VENTURA**

Water Commission Purpose: Review and make advisory recommendations regarding water rates, water resources infrastructure projects in the five-year capital improvement program, the integrated water resources management plan, water supply options, the Urban Water Management Plan approval process, a water dedication and in-lieu fee requirement, and other water resource issues.

Commission Chair Hubner called the meeting to order at 5:32

ROLL CALL – WATER COMMISSION

Present: Commissioners Feeney, Mills, McCarty, McCombs, Burton, and Hubner.

Absent: Commissioner McCord and Alternate Commissioner Anderson. *

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

*5:34 p.m. Alternate Commissioner Anderson arrived and participated as a voting Commissioner due to Commissioner McCord's absence.

WATER COMMISSION ITEMS

1. MINUTES

RECOMMENDATION

Approve the minutes of the March 26, 2019 regular session.

SPEAKER

Members of the Public: None.

Commissioner Burton moved to approve the recommendation.
Commissioner Feeney seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Feeney, McCarty, McCombs, Mills, Burton, Hubner and Alternate Commissioner Anderson.

NOES: None.

Commission Chair Hubner declared the motion carried.

2. REDLINED DRAFT 2019 COMPREHENSIVE WATER RESOURCES REPORT

It is recommended that the Water Commission:

- a) Receive this written report and an oral presentation on the Redlined Draft 2019 Comprehensive Water Resources Report (CWRR) dated April 18, 2019.
- b) Consider providing staff direction on additional revisions to the CWRR to address comments.

Members of the Public: Duane Georgeson and Dan Cormode.

Commissioner McCombs moved that the base line demand condition remain using the 10-year average for this year's Comprehensive Water Resources Report. Commissioner Burton seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Feeney, McCombs, Mills, Burton, and Hubner.

NOES: Commissioners McCarty and Alternate Commissioner Anderson.

Commissioner McCombs moved that Table 4-3 remain as is with the second column figures as shown but to the extent that we can provide a better definition of Normal that is cited in the text and that we repeat the definition on the page preceding the footnotes. Commissioner Burton amended the motion to add section 1-F to add a list of definitions to the report leaving it up to staff's discretion. Commissioner Hubner seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Feeney, McCarty, McCombs, Mills, Burton, Hubner and Alternate Commissioner Anderson.

NOES: None.

Commissioner Burton moved for staff to modify table 6-2 consistent with Commissioner Feeney's comments. Commissioner McCombs seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Feeney, McCarty, McCombs, Mills, Burton, Hubner and Alternate Commissioner Anderson.

NOES: None.

Commissioner McCombs made a motion that the objective staff was trying to achieve would be better accomplished with a chart or graph visual depiction of the information in Table 6-3. Commissioner McCombs modified the motion that in addition to the Table 6-3 data that Commissioner Mills thinks is important to see that staff include whatever visual presentation that best illustrates the discussion heard on behalf of the Commissioners. Commissioner Hubner seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Feeney, McCarty, McCombs, Mills, Burton, Hubner and Alternate Commissioner Anderson.

NOES: None.

Commissioner Burton moved to amend the sentence in Section 4 – “Water Supply Section”, number 7. VenturaWaterPure heading, page 4-19, second paragraph to read, “The pilot facility operated for 9 months and produced favorable results, indicating highly reliable purification technologies, providing information on operational needs and costs, and the absence of risk to the public health and safety.” Alternate Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Commissioners Feeney, McCarty, McCombs, Mills, Burton, Hubner and Alternate Commissioner Anderson.

NOES: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

COMMISSIONER COMMUNICATIONS

Alternate Commissioner Anderson inquired about Commissioner Terms to which Commission Chair Hubner shared the City Council approvals that were made at the April 8, 2019 meeting in regard to staggering future terms and eliminating the Alternate positions. Commission Chair Hubner also mentioned the Commissioner recruitment is underway.

GENERAL MANAGER REPORT

- The General Manager mentioned the CEQA training that occurred at the City Council Meeting April 8, 2019.
- The recruitment of the Commission positions which close on May 17, 2019.
- The General Manager announced the recruitment of the Commission positions which close on May 17, 2019.
- The State Water Short Term allocation agreement terms with San Geronio need to be revised and will be brought back to the Water Commission next month.
- The next meeting agenda will consist of the Final 2019 Comprehensive Water Resources Report, State Water Short Term Agreement, Groundwater Sustainability Agency update and the Water Commission Rules of Procedure.
- Congratulated Mile Ellis with United Water Conservation District in the audience who is retiring next week.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:42 P.M.