

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2017-0383**

Adopted by Sacramento City Council

October 17, 2017

### **Creation of a Water Standing Committee**

#### **BACKGROUND**

- A. On August 3, 2017 Mayor Darrell Steinberg declared that water is an important issue in the Sacramento region and requested that a Water Standing Committee be created.
- B. A standing Water Committee will enhance the City's ability to effectively and openly consider water-related issues and other matters within its purview.

#### **BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

- Section 1. The Water Standing Committee is created and shall be known and referenced as the Water Committee.
- Section 2. The Water Committee shall consist of four councilmembers who shall be appointed annually or as needed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council.
- Section 3. The Water Committee is subject to the Brown Act and the Council Rules of Procedure.
- Section 4. The purpose of the Water Committee is to:
  - a. Review policies related to Department of Utilities water issues before those policies are brought forward to the Council.
  - b. Review water policy proposals and make recommendations to the Council.
  - c. Assist Council in the review of Department of Utility water rates.
  - d. Assist Council in the review of issues related to:
    - i. water quality;
    - ii. water supply;

- iii. water rights; and
- iv. flooding and flood control.

- Section 3. The Water Committee shall adopt an annual meeting schedule and shall meet at least quarterly.
- Section 4. The Water Committee shall receive, review, and forward to Council appropriate reports, recommendations, policy proposals, and updates regarding water issues presented by the Department of Utilities.
- Section 5. Unless referred directly to the Water Committee by Council, review and forwarding of ordinances and adoption of positions on state and federal legislation shall be undertaken by the Law and Legislation Committee.
- Section 6. A vote of a majority of the Water Committee members present is required to approve a recommendation to Council. A "two-two" vote results in an item being forwarded to Council without a recommendation.
- Section 7. If a Water Committee item fails to receive the votes required to forward it to Council, any Councilmember may request during the Council Ideas, Comments, and Questions portion of the Council meeting, that the item be placed on a future Council agenda.

Adopted by the City of Sacramento City Council on October 17, 2017, by the following vote:

Ayes: Members Ashby, Carr, Guerra, Harris, Hansen, Jennings, Schenirer, Warren and Mayor Steinberg

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Attest:

*The presence of an electronic signature certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy as approved by the Sacramento City Council.*