



REPORT TO COUNCIL

City of Sacramento

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Consent
September 1, 2009

Honorable Mayor and
Members of the City Council

Title: Residential Water Metering Projects Structure

Location/Council District: City wide

Recommendation: Adopt a **Resolution** 1) Renaming and designating the "Residential Water Metering Program" Z14010000 as the master project for the Residential Water Metering Program; 2) designating all current and future phases of the Residential Water Metering Projects as subsidiary projects to Z14010000; and 3) defunding and transferring the Water fund appropriations and expenditures in the Residential Water Meter Project (Z14003500) to the Residential Water Metering Program (Z14010000).

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Presenters: N/A

Department: Utilities

Division: Business Services

Organization No: 14001611

Description/Analysis

Issue: Realigning the structure for the residential water meter (RWM) program will facilitate the administration and financial control of the program to meet the requirements of Assembly Bill 2572 by installing water meters on existing water services within the City of Sacramento. This law set a deadline of 100% metering of all residential and commercial accounts by 2025.

Policy Considerations: This report's recommendation is consistent with the City's Strategic Plan Goals of improving and expanding public safety and achieving sustainability and livability.

Environmental Considerations: The actions requested are categorically exempt from CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) as the actions in this report are administrative in nature.

Sustainability Considerations: The project is consistent with the Sustainability Master Plan goals to help to improve water conservation awareness, as the installation of water meters will allow the City to provide a monthly statement of water usage to the customers. The Meter Retrofit furthers the Cities progress in implementing the Water Forum Agreement and the California Urban Water Conservation Council Best Management Practices (BMPs 1, 4, and 7).

Rationale for Recommendation: This project is part of the plan developed by the Department of Utilities based on the implementation guidelines approved by Council. By designating one project as the master project and all current and future phases of the RWM projects as subsidiary projects, administration of the appropriations and expenditures in the RWM program can be more tightly controlled and monitored within the program.

Financial Considerations: The actions requested in this report are to realign the structure for the RWM program for administrative reasons and results in no increase or decrease of appropriations to the RWM program.


In order to implement this structure, the current project Z14010000 will be renamed to "Residential Water Metering Program" and designated as the master project for the RWM Retrofit Program; designate Projects Z14010011 through Z14010013 as subsidiary projects to Z14010000; and defund and transfer the water fund appropriations and expenditures from Resident Water Meter Program (Z14003500) to Z14010000.

Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD): There are no ESBD impacts in the actions requested.

Respectfully Submitted by: _____


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Approved by: _____


Marty Hanneman
Director of Utilities

Recommendation Approved:



Ray Kerridge
City Manager

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Attachment 1

BACKGROUND

On September 24, 2004, Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger signed Assembly Bill 2572 into law. The law set a deadline of 100% metering of all residential and commercial accounts by 2025.

On May 24, 2005, the City Council adopted Resolution 2005-347, directing that water meters be installed according to a plan developed using the following implementation criteria: spreading meter installation projects throughout the City, coordinating water meter installation with the replacement of old water mains, and continuing to add new meter installation projects that are adjacent to completed projects.

Realigning the structure for the Residential Water Meter Program will establish more effective administrative and financial controls of the program as developed by the Department of Utilities based on the implementation guidelines approved by Council.

Attachment 2

RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

Residential Water Metering Projects Structure

BACKGROUND

- A. Realigning the fiscal structure of the City's Residential Water Metering Program will establish more effective administrative and financial control within the program.

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

- Section 1. The City Manager is authorized to rename and designate the "Residential Water Metering Program" (Z14010000) as the master project..
- Section 2. The City Manager is authorized to designate all current and future phases of the Residential Water Metering Program as subsidiary projects to Z14010000.
- Section 3. The City Manager is authorized to defund and transfer the Water Fund (6005) appropriation and expenditures in the Residential Water Meter Project (Z14003500) to the Residential Water Metering Program (Z14010000).