



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

AGENDA DATE: April 17, 2012

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM: Water Resources Division, Public Works Department

SUBJECT: Introduction Of Ordinance For Agreements To Use Recycled Water

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council introduce and subsequently adopt, by reading of title only, An Ordinance of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Approving the Agreements Between the City of Santa Barbara and Pilgrim Terrace Homes, Montecito Country Club, Nineteenth District Agricultural Association and Santa Barbara Zoological Foundation to Use the City's Recycled Water System for Delivery of the City's Recycled Water.

DISCUSSION:

Recycled water is used in the City to irrigate over 400 acres of landscaped areas at 53 sites (including schools, parks, the zoo, and golf courses) and for toilet flushing in various public restrooms. Current recycled water demand is approximately 800 acre feet per year.

The Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board requires that the City have a recycled water user agreement with each owner that uses the City's recycled water on its property. Pilgrim Terrace Homes, Montecito Country Club, Nineteenth District Agricultural Association and Santa Barbara Zoological Foundation each entered into recycled water user agreements with the City 20 years ago. These agreements have now expired and new 20-year agreements have been negotiated and accepted. If approved by Council, these agreements will be recorded in the Official Records of the County of Santa Barbara to give notice to any interested party.

Staff has reviewed the agreements and recommends that Council adopt the subject Ordinance approving the agreements as required by the City Charter.

SUSTAINABILITY:

For all sites in the City using recycled water for irrigation and toilet flushing instead of potable water, approximately 800 acre feet of potable water are saved per year.

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