



# CITY OF SANTA BARBARA

## COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

**AGENDA DATE:** April 11, 2017

**TO:** Mayor and Councilmembers

**FROM:** Water Resources Division, Public Works Department

**SUBJECT:** Introduction Of Ordinance For Agreement To Use Recycled Water For Irrigation At Stonecreek Owners' Association On Portions Of Rebecca Lane, Stonecreek Road And Richelle Lane

### **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 Agreement Between the City of Santa Barbara and Stonecreek Owners' Association for Purchase, Use, and Delivery of the City's Recycled Water.

### **DISCUSSION:**

Pursuant to the City of Santa Barbara's (City) Waste Discharge Permit, the Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board requires that the City have a recycled water user agreement with each site that uses the City's recycled water. The Stonecreek Owners' Association has requested to enter into an Agreement to use Recycled Water (User Agreement) with the City for irrigation of landscaping at their site located at 1201, 1205, 1209, 1225, and 1229 Rebecca Lane, 1217, 1223, 1227, 1231 and 1235 Stonecreek Road, and 133 and 1239 Richelle Lane, Santa Barbara, California.

The Stonecreek Owners' Association is located off of Los Positas Road across from Elings Park. It contains 105 residential units, as well as existing landscaping that is comprised of about 80,000 square feet of water wise plants and about 20,000 square feet of lawn. The Stonecreek Owners' Association is in the process of upgrading landscape and irrigation areas and removing some lawn areas. Recycled water will be used for common area landscape irrigation.

If approved by Council, the User Agreement will be recorded in the Official Records of the County of Santa Barbara to give notice of its existence in the future to any interested party. Staff has reviewed the User Agreement and recommends that Council adopt the subject Ordinance approving the User Agreement as required by the City Charter.

**SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT:**

All sites using recycled water for irrigation and other approved uses offset the need for potable water. Recycled water serves an important role in the diversity of the City's water supplies and is used at over 50 sites throughout the City. The annual demand for recycled water can be as high as 1,100 acre feet, with peak summer day demand approaching 2.5 million gallons per day.

At its meeting on March 16, 2017, the Water Commission voted 4-0-1 in support of the staff's recommendations.

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**APPROVED BY:** City Administrator's Office