

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA AUTHORIZING THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR 1) TO PREPARE AND FILE AN APPLICATION TO OBTAIN A 2014 INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT DROUGHT GRANT OF UP TO \$2 MILLION FOR THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA'S RECYCLED WATER ENHANCEMENT PROJECT, AND 2) TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AND ANY AMENDMENTS THERETO, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL AS TO FORM BY THE CITY ATTORNEY, TO RECEIVE A GRANT FOR THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA RECYCLED WATER ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

WHEREAS, the City of Santa Barbara (City) has participated in the development of an Integrated Regional Water Management Plan in response to the California Department of Water Resources Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Program;

WHEREAS, Gerald E. Brown, Governor of California, proclaimed a Drought State of Emergency on January 17, 2014, and, on March 1, 2014, signed legislation to assist drought-affected communities and provide funding to better use local water supplies, including \$472.5 Million in Proposition 84 IRWM funding;

WHEREAS, the City is experiencing its third consecutive dry year, and, in response to below record rainfall and State-wide water shortages, declared a Stage One Drought on February 11, 2014 and, in anticipation of a water supply shortage in a fourth dry year, a Stage Two Drought on May 20, 2014;

WHEREAS, the City plans to increase recycled water use per the adopted City of Santa Barbara 2010 Urban Water Management Plan and the 2011 Long Term Water Supply Plan;

WHEREAS, the City has the opportunity to apply for Proposition 84, Integrated Regional Water Management Drought Grant funding for upgrades to the El Estero Wastewater Treatment Plant Tertiary Filtration Facility (known as the City of Santa Barbara Recycled Water Enhancement Project);

WHEREAS, the City has participated in the County-wide working group and, out of the nine projects that were submitted for consideration for funding, the City's project was ranked in the top two projects;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA BARBARA AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That the application be made to the California Department of Water Resources to obtain a 2014 Integrated Regional Water Management Drought Grant pursuant to the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006 (Public Resource Code Section 75001 et

seq.), and to enter into an agreement to receive a grant for the City of Santa Barbara Recycled Water Enhancement Project.

SECTION 2. The Public Works Director of the City of Santa Barbara is hereby authorized and directed to prepare the necessary data, conduct investigations, file such application, and to execute, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney, a grant agreement with the California Department of Water Resources.