Relates to Item 2

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR DON KNABE May 26, 2015

The County's response to the historic drought emergency must also include "out of the box" solutions that make good sense given our limited options to conserve more potable water.

We must empower our County departments to reduce the regulatory barriers that may currently exist in our County Codes, policies, and programs, and to encourage reforms needed to support the efforts of property owners seeking to comply with water conservation and drought-related requirements, including but not limited to the use of artificial turf and other alternative landscaping materials that may not be allowed or may be improperly limited by our Codes, to seek additional incentives to offer to Waterworks Districts customers (such the successful Rain Barrel Pilot Program in the City of Los Angeles), and to rethink our regulations as it relates to allowing Cistern Fencing Systems such as the kind that is commonly in use in Australia, to capture and store rainwater for reuse on site, or throughout a system.

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I, THEREFORE MOVE that the Board of Supervisors, acting as the Governing Body of the County Waterworks Districts and the Marina del Rey Water System, adopt the following:

1. Due to the emergency water shortage throughout the State, adopt the resolution approving the proposed modifications to the Phased Water Conservation Plan, set forth in the resolution, implementing the Plan to reflect the current water shortage, adopt an amendment to the Rules and Regulations of the Waterworks Districts, and find that the implementation of the Plan in Part 5 of the Rules and Regulations is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act, and;
2. Instruct the CEO, Regional Planning, Public Works, Public Health, and ISD to report back in 60 days with a preliminary review of County Codes, policies, and programs, that may be reformed to reduce the regulatory barriers to property owners seeking to comply with water conservation and drought-related requirements, and also to identify additional incentive programs and regulatory changes that can be explored (such as a County rain barrel program, and cistern fence water storage systems) to encourage water conservation, stormwater, and graywater capture on individual properties, and the potential for eventually connecting these sources to a larger infrastructure system within the County.

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