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# San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) Citizens' Advisory Committee (CAC) Water Subcommittee

## **MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday, December 4, 2018 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. 525 Golden Gate Ave., 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Tuolumne Conference Room

**Mission:** The Water Subcommittee reviews water supply system reliability, water conservation, recycling, regional cooperation efforts and other relevant plans and policies. (**Admin Code 5.140-142**)

Suki Kott (D2)

Members:

Jennifer Clary (Chair) (D11) Matthew Steen (D6) Nicole Sandkulla (M-Reg'l Water Customers) Ted Loewenberg (D5) Amy Nagengast (D8)

D = SF District, M = Mayoral Appointment

Staff Liaisons: Tracy Zhu and Sabrie Grays

### ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call to order and roll call: The meeting was called to order at 5:31pm.

Members present at roll call: (4) Clary, Sandkulla, Loewenberg, Nagengast

Members Absent: (2) Steen, Kott\*\*

2. Approval of the October 2, 2018 Minutes

Motion was made (Loewenberg) and seconded (Sandkulla) to approve October 2, 2018 minutes

AYES: (5) Clary, Sandkulla, Loewenberg, Nagengast, Kott

ABSENT: (1) Steen

NOES: (0)

\*\*Member Kott arrived at 5:35pm, quorum maintained.

3. Report from the Chair

- Chair Clary provided an update on the Bay Delta Quality Control Plan.
   The state water board is scheduled to vote on the minimum flow requirements.
- On a related note, there has also been some action on the federal level in which Senator Dianne Feinstein and House Majority Leader Kevin McCarthy came to a deal that Governor Jerry Brown seconded to

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expand the deadline for the people working on dams to access funding. The Governor has a desire to find funding for the Delta twin tunnels plan.

Public Comment: None

4. Public Comment: None

5. **Discussion: Climate Change and Alternative Water Supplies, Jennifer** Clary, Water CAC Chair

Members watched the presentation by Assistant General Manager Steve Ritchie at the SFPUC Commission:

 Bay Delta Water Quality Control Plan Update at SFPUC Commission – November 13, 2018 (Item 7b)

#### Resources

- SFPUC's Long-Term Vulnerability Assessment and Adaptation Plan – Phase 1
- 2015 Urban Water Management Plan

## **Discussion Topics:**

- Member Nagengast asked why single family residential rates would go up.
  - Chair Clary and Member Sandkulla answered due to an increase insingle family residential accounts.
- Chair Clary questioned what ISG and ISA stand for.
   Member Sandkulla responded that Individual Supply Guarantee is a
   contractual term that is the result of a lawsuit in the 1970's. It is the
   perpetual right for the individual customers to have a certain amount of
   water from San Francisco Public Utilities Commission. ISA is Interim
   Supply Assurance which has to do with how much demand is used.
   After December the ISG and ISA end. We're nowhere near that
   demand guota because of the drought.
- Member Kott asked if the ISG is not a guaranteed minimum, is it their maximum.
  - *Member Sandulla* answered yes, it's a maximum when its available meaning obviously not during a drought or emergency.
- Member Nagengast asked what is the time frame that applies to the ISG and ISA. She further inquired does the individual supply guarantee match the demands of the population growth by 2021.
   Clary responded that the ISGs will be determined before 2020.
- Member Kott asked when they finally make a decision on Bay Delta, how are they going to know the results.
   Chair Clary and Member Sandkulla replied that it will be in the news and it's a public meeting. You can even watch it online.
- Staff Zhu asked what Chair Clary meant by governance of downstream.

Chair Clary answered that the Natural Resources Division has worked with our water systems, so the water sheds of all of our reservoirs including Hetch Hetchy are in coordination with the National Park Service. If we are really going to try to restore the salmon runs, we're going to have to be working proactively below San Pedro which is not in our water shed. It could require changing our stewardship policy. That's a commitment we must make no matter what.

**Public Comment: None** 

<sup>\*\*</sup> indicates a member arrived after roll call.

6. Staff Report: None

## 7. Future Agenda Items and Resolutions

- Regional Groundwater Supply Project
- Diversification of the SFPUC's water supply sources
- State of the Regional Water System Report (tentative September/October)
- Annual Water Quality Report
- Living Machine Tour
- Drought resilience: 3 year water supply update
- Water Equity and Homelessness
- State of Local Water Report
- Retail Conservation Report
- 8. **Announcements/Comments** Please visit www.sfwater.org/cac for the agenda and materials for the next scheduled meeting. The next scheduled meeting is February 26, 2019.

## 9. Adjournment

Motion was made (Clary) and seconded (Kott) to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:06pm.