

CITY OF SANTA ROSA
BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

TO: CHAIR AND BOARD MEMBERS
FROM: CANDACE MICHAEL, ASSOCIATE CIVIL ENGINEER,
ASSET MANAGEMENT
SUBJECT: FUNDING AGREEMENT BETWEEN SANTA ROSA WATER AND
THE STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD AND
AUTHORIZING AND DESIGNATING REPRESENTATIVES FOR
THE PARK ROYAL CONSOLIDATION PROJECT

AGENDA ACTION: RESOLUTION

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended by Santa Rosa Water that the Board of Public Utilities, by resolution, authorize Santa Rosa Water to carry out the Park Royal Consolidation Project (Project), and authorize the Director of Santa Rosa Water, or designee, to enter into a Funding Agreement with the State Water Resources Control Board and accept and expend State funds for the Project; to provide all assurances, certifications, or commitments in connection with the funding agreement; and to sign and approve any agreements, amendments, invoices, or requests for reimbursement related to the Project or the Funding Agreement.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Santa Rosa Water will be applying to the State Water Resources Control Board (Water Board) for funding for the Park Royal Consolidation Project ("Project") to provide potable water to 27 single-family residential parcels in the Park Royal neighborhood that are currently served by the Park Royal Mutual Water Company (PRMWC). The parcels are not within the City's Urban Growth Boundary, and not within the immediate vicinity of Santa Rosa Water's service area. The PRMWC has two groundwater wells for potable use and has received compliance orders from the State following test results that exceed the State maximum contaminant levels of arsenic. The project area is shown on Attachment 1: Project Location Map.

The State requires approval from the governing board of the consolidating agency, in this case Santa Rosa Water, to carry out the project, enter into a funding agreement with the Water Board, and accept and expend State funds for the Project.

BACKGROUND

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The Water Board monitors the water quality of private water systems throughout the State of California, including those adjacent to Santa Rosa Water's service area. Some of those private water systems have existing groundwater sources that exceed the State maximum contaminant levels (MCL) of nitrates, arsenic, and per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances, more commonly known as PFAS. The PRMWC serves 27 single family parcels with domestic water. The PRMWC has reported water quality samples exceeding the MCL for arsenic and a compliance order has been issued mandating them to consolidate with the City of Santa Rosa's water distribution system. Since the consolidation is required by the Water Board, all of the associated cost for planning and construction to connect to City water will be reimbursed by the Water Board through a Funding Agreement.

The PRMWC was able to obtain a separate State grant to replace the entire distribution system prior to connecting to City water. The new distribution system will be capped, unused, and protected from contamination until the Project to extend the water main down Hall Road is complete. The water main extension Project includes permanent connection at the intersection of Hall Road and Park Royal Avenue to the newly constructed distribution system and the installation of 27 meters for each connecting parcel. Each permanent connection includes infrastructure for both domestic water use and fire protection.

PRIOR BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES REVIEW

Not Applicable.

ANALYSIS

Santa Rosa Water will be applying to the Water Board for funding for the Project, to provide potable water for 27 parcels that are not currently connected to City Water and, have existing groundwater sources that exceed the State maximum contaminant level of arsenic.

The Project includes permanent connection of 27 parcels to the City's water system. Each permanent connection includes water and infrastructure for both domestic use and fire protection.

The Water Board requires approval from the governing board of the consolidating agency, in this case Santa Rosa Water, to carry out the Project, enter into a funding agreement with the Water Board, and accept and expend State funds for the Project. All costs for the Project will be reimbursed by the Water Board via the Funding Agreement.

FISCAL IMPACT

There are no fiscal impacts to Santa Rosa Water. All costs for the Project will be

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reimbursed by the Water Board via the Funding Agreement.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378, the proposed funding agreement is not a “project” subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because it does not have a potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment. In the alternative, the proposed action is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3) because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the project may have a significant effect on the environment.

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Not Applicable.

NOTIFICATION

Not Applicable.

ATTACHMENTS

- Attachment 1 – Project Location Map
- Resolution

PRESENTER

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