

### **City of Santa Rosa**

Municipal Services Center South 69 Stony Circle

# Water Conservation Subcommittee Special Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday, July 9, 2019 2:00 PM

#### 2:00 P.M. - Conference Room 3

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Meeting was called to order at 2:05pm

Present: 3 - David Bannister, Christopher Grabill and Mary Watts

City Staff Present: Jennifer Burke Colin Close Deb Lane Gina Perez

#### 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

NONE.

#### 3. MINUTES APPROVAL

3.1 April 1, 2019 - Special Meeting Minutes.

The minutes for April 1, 2019 were accepted and received.

#### 4. NEW BUSINESS

#### 4.1 SUSTAINED REDUCTION REBATE

Deb Lane provided a brief overview of sustained changes made by Amy's Kitchen which made them eligible to receive a rebate of approximately \$200,000. The rebate would be paid out in two payments during fiscal years 2019/2020 and 2020/2021. It was noted that the item would come before the full Board at the July 18, 2019 meeting requesting approval for the item and delegation of authority to the Director or designee to approve future sustained reduction rebates.

#### 4.2 UPDATE ON WATER ENERGY GRANT

Deb Lane presented an update on participation in the Water Energy Grant for

commercial kitchen equipment upgrades. She explained that staff conducted door to door outreach to a variety of qualifying businesses and shared a copy of the handout provided.

#### 4.3 UPDATE ON LANDSCAPE TEMPLATES FOR REBUILD

Staff will provide an update on the landscape templates for residential rebuild and future application of these resources in support of landscape conversion projects under the City's Cash for Grass rebate program.

Deb Lane provided an update on the landscape templates for residential rebuild and future application of these resources in support of landscape conversion projects under the City's Cash for Grass rebate program. The design architect drew 8 designs that are compliant with low water use landscapes. She noted that the designs are being provided free to any customers with a focus on those in the rebuild area and highlighted that to date, 40% of those customers have used the designs.

## 4.4 UPDATE ON WATER CONSERVATION & DROUGHT PLANNING REGULATIONS

Staff will provide an update on new requirements resulting from the State's Water Conservation and Drought Planning Regulations SB 606 and AB 1668, including a brief overview of the new conservation target, reporting requirements, and changes to the Urban Water Management Plan.

Colin Close provided an update on new requirements resulting from the State's Water Conservation and Drought Planning Regulations SB606 and AB1668. He explained the new conservation target, reporting requirements and changes to the Urban Water Management Plan. Jennifer Burke added that a Water Sustainability Technician position was being reclassified as a Water Sustainability Representative to absorb the higher-level reporting responsibilities.

#### 5. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:06 p.m.

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