

## **City of Santa Rosa**

Utility Field Office 35 Stony Point Rd. Training Room M

# Water Conservation Subcommittee Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday, September 12, 2023

11:00 AM

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

Chair Galvin called the meeting to order at 11:08 a.m.

Present: Board Member Wright, Board Member Walsh, and Chair Galvin.

#### 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

#### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.1 April 12, 2023 - Special Meeting Minutes - DRAFT

The April 12, 2023 minutes were approved as submitted.

### 4. NEW BUSINESS

# 4.1 DISCONTINUATION OF THE RECIRCULATING HOT WATER PUMP REBATE

Water Use Efficiency staff will present a recommendation to discontinue the Recirculating Hot Water Pump rebate due to low participation, confusion on product eligibility, high energy use, unclear water savings, and excessive staff time to administer the program, for the Subcommittee's review and approval.

Claire Nordlie, Water Use Efficiency Coordinator, presented and received Board Member feedback.

A motion was made by Board Member Wright, seconded by Board Member Walsh, to approve the discontinuation of the Recirculating Hot Water Pump rebate. The motion passed unanimously.

**4.2** WATER WASTE REGULATIONS (CITY CODE CHAPTER 14-21) REVISIONS

Water Use Efficiency staff are proposing to amend the City's Water Waste Regulations (City Code Chapter 14-21) to allow for issuance of administrative fines for water waste, provide an exception and an appeals process, and make other clarifying changes. Staff will provide the proposed amendments for the Subcommittee's review and recommendation.

Deb Lane, Water Resource Analyst, presented and received Board Member feedback. Staff answered Board Member questions and responded to concerns.

A motion was made by Board Member Walsh, seconded by Board Member Wright, to recommend to the Board of Public Utilities the proposed revisions of the City's Water Waster Ordinance (City Code Chapter 14-2), as described. The motion passed unanimously.

## 5. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Galvin adjourned the meeting at 11:44 a.m.