



CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
PUBLIC WORKS SERVICES DEPARTMENT
MEMORANDUM

TO: PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION

FROM: Trish Rhay, Assistant Director of Public Works Services - Utilities 
Michelle Tse, Senior Management Analyst *mst.*

DATE: February 12, 2015

SUBJECT: Water Enterprise Plan Resolution

ATTACHMENT: Resolution

Attached is the Resolution which incorporates the changes as identified by the Public Works Commission during the January 22, 2015 meeting. The Resolution outlines the Commission's support related to the Water Master Plan (also known as the Water Enterprise Plan) and that Central Basin is one of the alternatives identified to further enhance the City's water source reliability.

Staff is seeking Commission direction on this item.

RESOLUTION NO.

RESOLUTION OF THE PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS ON THE TEN YEAR WATER MASTER PLAN

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Beverly Hills has requested that the Beverly Hills Public Works Commission develop a Ten Year Master Water Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Beverly Hills Public Works Commission is in the final stages of completing the Ten Year Master Water Plan, however, is awaiting additional financial information before formalizing the plan; and

WHEREAS, the Beverly Hills City Council will consider and adopt budget allocations for the City within the next month and a final Master Plan not anticipated for 60 to 90 days; and

WHEREAS, the Beverly Hills Public Works Commission and its consultants have agreed on the need to attain a greater level of water reliability; and

WHEREAS, the Commission and its Consultants (PSOMAS) have identified the most productive and beneficial source of additional water supply in the unadjudicated section of the Central Basin, the Beverly Hills Public Works Commission hereby adopts the following resolution for the Council's consideration:

The Commission has concluded that the attainment of a higher level of water reliability is a priority for the City. The Commission is advised by the consultants and related water engineers, that extracting water from this Central Basin source is the best option the City has to deliver additional quality water to City operations plant as a portion of a program to increase our water source reliability and reach a higher level of water independence.

It is the recommendation of the Beverly Hills Public Works Commission to identify the Central Basin Drilling project as a component of the Water Plan because it is estimated that up to 15% water independence will be achieved via the Central Basin. It is estimated by staff that this portion of the Master Water Plan will take approximately 5 to 7 years to complete and cost estimates range from \$28,000,000 to \$36,000,000. The Public Works Services staff proposes Ground Water Development and Master Plan Budget placeholder requests of \$5,000,000 for 2015-2016, \$5,000,000 placeholder requests for 2016-17 and a \$3,000,000 placeholder request for each of the following years.

WHEREAS, the Commission advances this recommendation to the City Council so that it may evaluate the Central Basin Drilling component of the Master Water Plan funding purposes at its February, 2015 meeting, this matter has not been fully vetted by the Commission and some Commissioners need additional financial and emergency analyses before making a final

recommendation to proceed. Therefore, this recommendation to fund remains contingent upon additional financial analysis which the Commission hopes to receive within the next 60 days.

Adopted:

RON SHALOWITZ
Chairperson of the Public Works Commission
of the City of Beverly Hills, California

ATTEST:

Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

LAURENCE S. WIENER
City Attorney

GEORGE CHAVEZ
Director of Public Works Services