

CITIZENS' WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONSERVATION & EDUCATION SUBCOMMITTEE

Monday, May 10, 2021 - 2:00 p.m.

Virtual Meeting

Legal Action Report and Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Chair Val Little called the meeting to order at 2:16 p.m. Those present and absent were:

Members Present:

Val Little, Chair Representative, Ward 3
Ed Hendel Representative, Mayor
Raul Ramirez Representative, Ward 1
Steven Arnquist** Representative, Ward 2

Members Absent:

Placido Dos Santos Representative, City Manager Raye Winch Representative, City Manager

- 2. Announcements Chair Little announced she would like to hold an off-agenda conversation on Differential Water Rates. Should Mayor and Council adopt the policy, the committee should consider areas where funds can be used within the utility. Member Hendel suggested canceling delinquent debts, lowering the costs for low-income qualifying customers inside the City, and climate resiliency. Member Arnquist and Member Ramirez supported the suggestion. Member Ramirez suggested additional infrastructure be added to the list of possibilities. The committee continued the discussion without action.
- **3. Review of April 12, 2021, Legal Action Report and Meeting Minutes** Member Ramirez moved to approve the Legal Action Report and Meeting Minutes. Member Hendel seconded the motion. Motion passed on a voice vote of 4-0.
- **4. Drought Response Planning** Candice Rupprecht, Water Conservation Manager for Tucson Water, lead the discussion; those items reviewed and discussed were:
 - Updated and Approved Drought Preparedness & Response Plan
 - o Drought Stages
 - o Tier 0 Responses
 - Tier 0- Lake Mead 1090 to 1075
 - Conservation Program
 - o Public Notification
 - Conducting Water Audits
 - Media Responses & Public Outreach
 - Tier 1Shortage January 2022 (lake Mead 1075 to 1045)
 - City Response measures

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 - Customer Response Measures
 - Tier 1 Response: Water Use Guidelines
 - o The graph on the Bills
 - Landscape Water Budget Tool
 - **Additional Actions**
 - o Continue with COT departments
 - Develop RFP for tech support services
 - **Pilots**

No action was taken. Subcommittee Members were provided an opportunity to ask questions and make comments through the presentation.

- **5.** Rainwater Harvesting Assumptions Val Little, Chair, lead the discussion; those items reviewed and discussed were:
 - Tucson Recent Annual Temperatures, Rain & Snow
 - o Tucson Temperatures averages by year
 - o Total Precipitation
 - o Snow
 - Weather Tidbits from NOAA
 - O U.S. Temperatures from 1991 to 2020
 - U.S. 30-year precipitation compared to the 20th Century

The subcommittee had an opportunity to review the information and offer comments and concerns. No action was taken.

- **6.** Call to Audience None
- 7. Future Agenda Items Conservation Technical Memorandum One Water 2100 & Report from SERI. Drought Response Planning as needed.
- **8. Adjournment** The meeting adjourned at 3:12 p.m.