



CITIZENS' WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
(CWAC) Conservation & Education Subcommittee

Friday, October 21, 2022, 1:00 p.m.

Virtual Meeting – Microsoft Teams

Legal Action Report and Meeting Minutes

1) **Call to Order / Opening Statement:**

The meeting was called to order at 2:04 p.m.

2) **Roll Call:**

Those present and absent were:

**Present:**

Lisa Shipek (Chair)

Representative, Ward 3

Raul Ramirez

Representative, Ward 1

Raye Winch

Representative, City Manager

**Absent:**

Ed Hendel

Representative, Mayor

3) **Announcements** – None

4) **Review and approval of September 12, 2022, Legal Action Report and Meeting Minutes** - Member Ramirez moved to approve the Legal Action Report & Minutes. Member Winch duly seconded the motion. The motion passed on a roll call vote of 4 – 0.

5) **Call to the audience** – No audience comment.

6) **Drought Response** –

a) Reclaim Customer Response - Tucson Water Conservation Program Manager Candice Rupprecht presented a chart identifying the customer classes with reclaim consumption compared to the drought response plan graph of reclaim usage by customer class. The committee sought to compare water users and the percentage of reclaimed water used. Discussion ensued between members and staff. No action was taken on this item.

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b) Response Measures – Mrs. Rupprecht provided an updated list of the different measures the conservation program and the City of Tucson are in the process of developing coinciding with the different Drought Tiers. The document reflected the different shortage tiers and their triggers according to lake mead levels. Discussion ensued between members and staff. No action was taken on this item.

- 7) **Conservation Program Budget** – Ms. Rupprecht led the discussion, providing a brief background on the annual budgeting process. Mrs. Rupprecht proceeded to the preliminary review; those items reviewed and discussed were:
- a) total program spending,
  - b) allocated funds for the current fiscal year
  - c) a comparison of actuals in FY2021, FY2022 and FY2023

No action was taken on this item.

- 8) **Conservation Policy Update** – Ms. Rupprecht briefly shared the outcomes of the Mayor and Council meeting on October 18<sup>th</sup>. Staff recommends three of the five new policies move forward: Low Impact Development Ordinance, Irrigation meter replacement, and Submeter requirement. The water staff is currently in the process of developing an implementation plan. The staff has been asked to return to the council with additional information on the NetZero water policy for all new construction, Water Sense fixture requirements, nonfunctional turf removal, a review of the Las Vegas conservation policies, and the commercial tier block rates, and the commercial garden rate.

No action was taken on this item.

- 9) **Future Meetings / Agenda Items** – Chair Shipek called on the committee to provide additional items for future discussion.

- 10) **Call to Audience** – Member Ramirez asked for staff to do additional research on the IID ordinance and consider recommendations for conservation-orientated landscapes for the planning and development of the community

- 11) **Adjournment** – Meeting ended at 3:01 p.m.