

Willowbank County Service Area Advisory Committee

Meeting of September 28, 2017 - 7:00 P.M.

Multipurpose Room at the Marguerite Montgomery Elementary School
at 1441 Danbury Avenue, Davis, CA

AGENDA

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1. CALL TO ORDER

2. INTRODUCTIONS

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MARCH 15, 2017 MEETING

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS - This agenda item is for public comments on any subject not related to an agenda item.

5. MEMBER COMMENTS - This agenda item is for Committee member comments on any subject not related to an agenda item.

6. COUNTY REPORT - Supervisor Jim Provenza will revisit his request for input on neighborhood concerns and preferences for garbage and organic waste removal services upon the June 30, 2019 termination of the County's new agreement with Davis Waste Removal in 2019 through an ad hoc group. Supervisor Provenza will also discuss the pending sale of Davis Waste Removal to Recology and its possible implications. According to Recology's website, it has over 45 operating companies that provide integrated waste management services to more than 733,000 residential customers and 109,000 commercial customers in California, Oregon and Washington.

7. INCREASE IN DAVIS WASTE REMOVAL'S WASTE REMOVAL RATES FOR WILLOWBANK – As indicated in Davis Waste Removal's letter of June 26, 2017 to Willowbank residents, "new service rates that were approved by the Yolo County Board of Supervisors. The increase to the rates reflect increases to two components. The service cost and disposal cost. The service cost increase by 3.16% reflecting the annual CPI adjustment. The disposal adjustment reflects a 3% increase in the cost of garbage disposal and 38.85% increase in the cost of disposal of Organic/Greenwaste charged by the Yolo County Landfill. The increase in the Organic/Greenwaste rate had a significant impact on the cost of this service."

8. CURRENT STUDIES OF CITY OF DAVIS ON WASTE REMOVAL OPTIONS – In the memorandum of August 29, 2017 from the Davis Public Works Department to the City Council, an update was provided on the City's efforts to encourage the use of organics carts so that food scraps and yard waste are not included in trash bin waste that is taken to landfills. The memorandum (which

accompanies this agenda) addresses related topics including possible alternative services for yard waste removal.

9. MACE AND MONTGOMERY INTERSECTION TRAFFIC CONCERNS - The traffic and safety issues at the corner of Mace Blvd. and Montgomery Avenue continue as a result of increased northbound traffic on Mace Blvd., especially at peak traffic hours. The City of Davis, rather than the County, controls traffic measures at this intersection, subject to the County's approval. The City is presently considering the installation of a stop sign at the intersection and possibly other mitigation measures. Assistant City Traffic Engineer Brian Mickelson will be present and provide a status report on the City's review of this matter. County representatives will also be present.

10. CITY WATER RATES – Beginning about a year ago, our neighbor Paul Brady sent a series of letters to the City of Davis, including Mayor Davis, to the effect that the City's water rates should be reduced by up to 30% to take into account the City's significant cost savings that have been or will be realized on the surface water project. Paul believes that Proposition 218 requires a reduction because of the savings resulting from the unexpected low interest rate loan the City obtained for its share of the surface water project's capital costs, savings that are or will be realized by the shutdown of many of the City's intermediate-depth wells and UCD's decision to take about 15% of the City's river water and pay about 10% of its project costs. The City is in the process of reviewing the assumptions underlying the 2014 Water Cost of Service Study. This began several months ago and is expected to be before the City's Utility Rate Advisory Commission either this month or in October for discussion and recommendations for City Council consideration.

11. WATER SUBCOMMITTEE – The Water Subcommittee's members are Kent Calfee and John Cooluris. The Subcommittee's last activity occurred on January 11, 2017 at the meeting with the City of Davis that was arranged by Supervisor Provenza and attended by him and others. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the City's reaction to Paul Brady's letters to the City (see item 9 above). At the meeting, City of Davis Public Works Director Bob Clarke stated that the City would review the assumptions underlying the current rate schedule. As indicated above, that review is underway. The Water Subcommittee has no ongoing activities.

12. BUDGET UPDATE (BUDGET LOOK AHEAD - FY17-18; and LOOK BACK - FY16-17)
– If she is available, Beth Gabor, Manager of Operations and Strategy in the County Administrator's Office, will review the fiscal performance of the Willowbank County Service Area's most recent and current budgets.

13. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – Water rate study being undertaken by the City of Davis; Different Roles of Willowbank County Service Area and its Advisory Committee, the Greater Willowbank Improvement Association (GWIA) and the Willowbank Club; Davis Utilities Rate Advisory Commission input and recommendations.

14. NEXT MEETING – Wednesday, November 15, 2017

15. ADJOURNMENT

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing agenda was posted at 4:15 pm on September 22, 2017 in the bulletin board near the southeast corner of the Simmons property on Montgomery Avenue.

John Cooluris, Chair