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Subject: Water Shortage Public Hearing - 7/13
Reply-To: Sid Tyler <styler32@earthlink.net>

Mark: Will you please arrange for copies of this to be placed with the Mayor, City Council, the City Manager, and with Phyllis Currie, prior to the July 13 Coouncil meeting. Thanks.

1. Given the seriousness of Pasadena's looming water supply situation, I am surprised and disappointed that the staff recommendation is to not to declare a LEVEL 2 WATER SUPPLY SHORTAGE, instead of a LEVEL 1. The main difference is lawn irrigation frequency: 2X weekly vs. 3X weekly. What staff is recommending is too timid, especially in the light of the sharp reductions we are seeing in the Pasadena sub-area of the Raymond Basin aquifer.

"Timid" doesn't seem to harsh a word when considering what the City of Los Angeles has gone to, with the same magnitude of problems in water supply: Level 2, max. of 2X/week landscape watering, and an expectation of a 15% reduction in household water consumption.

2. Whatever Water Supply condition is declared by the Council, there must be a requirement to measure results against expectations for reduced water use, which is the whole point of this declaration. The staff report says nothing about this. What is the baseline period of water usage against which we measure progress toward achieving the targeted reduction? How frequently will staff be reporting on this, and to whom? This was promised in the last draft I saw of the Comprehensive Water Conservation Plan, but it's not here. It's RESULTS that should be the focus.

3. During reviews of the Comprehensive Water Conservation Plan by the MSC and the EAC some months ago, I distinctly recall discussions about developing residential water use reductions expressed in gallons per capita per day. Reductions of 10% and 20% by 2010 and 2020 were presented by staff. Doesn't it seem logical that these kinds of measurements also be used to help us achieve our water conservation objectives? (They also tie in with a budget-based water pricing system).

I regret that I'm unable to appear at the Public Hearing on Monday night to say how strongly I feel about the above points.

Sid Tyler

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6.A. 7:30 P.M.

From: humanchange@sbcglobal.net

Date: July 12, 2009 4:51:42 PM PDT

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Subject: Honorable Mayor and Council Members Please Read This

Reply-To: humanchange@sbcglobal.net

Dear Council Meeting,

The attached public comment from yours truly is my hope that you will hold up the dignity of the residents whose commons is under threat of being denied. Instead of declaring levels of drought, it is tir close the golf courses and pass the motion to put a moratorium on developers doing any more developm in the City of Pasadena if there really is a water shortage. The residents were here first and the common belongs to the grassroots people.

Jesus calls us to love one another and it is something other than love to put profitability and recreation al of essentials for the residents who live here.

The solution is to address the cause instead of the symptoms and to nurture our best hope for the future which is the city-wide residential community. The central message of the Gospels is to love your neigh as yourselves. It's not to love big corporations, big deveopers, big government, big pharma, big profitab or big anything but the little grassroots people who are the next door neighbors and the neighbors that th been packed and stacked into apartments and the neighbors who are homeless on the streets.

I hope you will read the attachment as I wrote it just for you. And I hope this time that you will have ey see and ears to hear what the spirit of loving one another says within your hear and soul at the deepest le and highest heights of what it means to be human and humane.

What the world needs now is human change and a homecoming to our True Nature of Divine love, light, peace, truth, and untarnished healing energy.

Peace be with you and may your spirit be vibrant.

--Nancy Nelson

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Jomsky, Mark

From: Wayne Lusvardi [wlusvardi@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, July 13, 2009 5:07 PM
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Subject: Re: Level 1 Water Supply Shortage

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CC: Mayor, City Council, City Manager, Manager PWP

Re: AGENDA ITEM 6-A: DECLARATION OF LEVEL 1 WATER SHORTAGE

I hereby enter a citizen motion that the City of Pasadena not proceed to declare a Level 2 Water Shortage unless and until it has acted to mitigate impacts of the City's mandated water conservation activities on the Raymond Basin, such as:

- a) Authorization to construct new or enlarged water replenishment basin(s) in the Upper Arroyo Seco;**
- b) As a condition of planting any drought garden, approval of requirement to install rain gardens to capture rainwater from roof downspouts during the rainy season to recharge the Raymond Basin;**
- c) Approval to secure rights to excess spill water from Devil's Gate Dam from the Los Angeles County Flood Control District for groundwater recharge;**
- d) The creation of an awards program (similar to the "Pasadena Beautiful" awards) for the construction of rain gardens by homeowners with blue arrow signs pointing downward with the words "Recharge the Raymond Basin." Rain gardens are small planted areas with a sublayer of sand that capture rainwater from roof downspouts during the rainy season.**
- e) Approval of construction of a wastewater pipeline from the Glendale water treatment plant to provide treated water for recharge of the Raymond Basin.**

Respectfully submitted,
Wayne Lusvardi
Citizens for Responsible Government

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