

Title: Motion in Support of Recycled Water Pipeline	Item No.
Meeting Date: October 6, 2015	
Agendized By: Government Affairs Committee	
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Committee Vote (if appropriate): Heard by Committee Aug. 17, 2015. No vote taken.	
Does this item have a fiscal impact on the Neighborhood Council? Yes ___ No <u>X</u>	
Additional documents attached? Yes ___ No <u>X</u>	

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Neighborhood Council of Westchester-Playa (NCWP) endorse the Los Angeles Department of Water & Power’s (LADWP) plans for the installation of a pipeline (Purple Pipe Project) that will transport recycled water. The pipeline will start at Lincoln Boulevard and Manchester Avenue, traveling west to Park Hill Drive at which point it will turn south.

The recycled water carried in this pipeline is expected to be used by the two (2) High Schools in the area for their athletic fields and nearby green spaces. Additionally, other large users of water (for irrigation uses) in the adjacent area would be allowed access to the water carried by this pipeline.

BACKGROUND:

Current drought conditions have forced the cutoff of potable water for irrigation purposes in most areas of Los Angeles. Recycled water has emerged as an alternative to using drinking water for the purpose of outdoor watering. Commonly known as the “Purple Pipe,” this recycled water is being used successfully along Westchester Parkway near LAX, Jefferson Boulevard (east of Lincoln Boulevard), and in many parts of Playa Vista.

DISCUSSION:

Considered the worst drought conditions in over one-hundred (100) years, Angelenos are now forced to make changes in their daily use of water. These changes affect every individual, business and government agency. Local schools are no exception. The increased use of recycled water will conserve our precious fresh water supplies while serving to meet the outdoor watering needs to the benefit of the community.

This project is expected to commence in January 2016 and be completed in March 2016.

The LADWP has been working with this Committee and Board on this project. The LADWP has agreed to add additional staff to the project in order to minimize any impact to the community during construction.

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

There is no direct fiscal impact to the NCWP.

The pipeline costs would be paid by the users of the recycled water over time.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no attachments with this Motion. However, there will be a presentation at the October 6, 2015 NCWP Board Meeting. Printed handouts may be available at that meeting as well.

MOTION:

That the Neighborhood Council endorse the construction and installation of the “Purple Pipe” to carry recycled water from Lincoln Boulevard and Manchester Avenue to Park Hill Drive, then moving south on Park Hill Drive in Playa del Rey.