# Agricultural Water Rates Task Force

## Meeting Schedule and Topics

#### April 26 – 1<sup>st</sup> Task Force meeting

- Introduction of members and staff
- Discuss participation rules and guidelines
- Discuss tentative schedule of meetings
- Define problem to solve
- Taskforce roundtable of initial thoughts and concerns

## - May 24 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Task Force meeting

- WA 3, WA 9 and WA 8 water rates: history, purpose, class comp, revenue, application (staff presentation – Justin)
- Greenbelt history (staff presentation Rick, Steve Hayes, Joyce)
- GrowRIVERSIDE initiative (staff presentation Joyce J.)
- Sneak peak of Meeting 3 (staff presentation Rick)

## June 28 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Task Force meeting

• Water Cost of Service Analysis (COSA) and Rate Design Study (staff/consultant presentation – Brian S. / Carollo)

#### July 26 – 4<sup>th</sup> Task Force meeting

- Gage Canal Company history, structure, condition and shares (presentation Rick)

### Aug 13 – 1<sup>#</sup> quarterly Task Force update to Council Land Use Committee

#### August 23 – 5<sup>th</sup> Task Force meeting

- Riverside Food Systems Alliance (presentation Gurumantra Khalsa)
- UWMP usage characteristics by class (staff presentation Mike P.)
- ⊖ Taskforce open discussion on:
  - COSA and WA-3 / WA-9 rate proposal factors

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- Water Rate Comparison Tables (staff presentation Rick)
- → Taskforce open discussion on:
  - Water rate comparison tables
  - Greenbelt past, present, future
  - Gage Canal opportunities
  - Other water service options

## October 25 – 7<sup>th</sup> Task Force meeting

- Prop 218 legal guidance on rate proposal development (Anthony)
- Taskforce open discussion on:
  - What do we value as agriculture?
  - How should agriculture be defined?
  - WA-9 Rate Proposal # 1 (Tom Evans)
  - Flat Rate Proposal #1 (Jason Hunter/Scott Simpson)
  - Business Improvement District proposal (Scott Andrews)
- November 14 8<sup>th</sup> Task Force meeting
  - City definition of agriculture (presentation City Planning)
  - Is Agriculture in Riverside Economically Viable? (presentation Seth Wilson)
  - Taskforce open discussion on:
    - What do we value as agriculture and how should it be defined?
    - Deep dive evaluation on WA-9 and WA-Ag rate Proposals
- Dec 10, 2018 2<sup>nd</sup> quarterly Task Force update to Council Land Use Committee
- December 13 9<sup>th</sup> Task Force meeting
  - Taskforce open discussion on:
    - Continue evaluation of rate proposal(s)
- January 24 10<sup>th</sup> Task Force meeting
  - o 50% formulation of final Ag rate proposal(s)
  - Taskforce open discussion on:
    - Gage canal shares
    - How can Gage Canal best support agriculture?
    - GFT
- February 21 11<sup>th</sup> Task Force meeting
  - o TBD
  - 75% formulation of final Ag rate proposal(s)
  - o Formulate any other considerations for Board or Council
- March 28 12<sup>th</sup> Task Force meeting
  - o 95% formulation of final Ag rate proposal(s)
  - Agricultural water use efficiency options and sustainability of agriculture in Riverside (presentation Jason T / Kerwin)
  - o 1969 Judgement
- April 8, 2019 3<sup>rd</sup> quarterly Task Force update to Council Land Use Committee
- April 25 13<sup>th</sup> Task Force meeting
  - Finalize Ag rate proposal(s)
  - o Finalize any other considerations for Board or Council
- May 23 14<sup>th</sup> Last Task Force meeting
  - o TBD
- June 17, 2019 Final Ag rate proposal recommendation to Board of Public Utilities
- July 8, 2019 Final Ag rate proposal recommendation to Land Use Committee