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TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Director of Public Works

SUBJECT

Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Three Agreements Related to the Bay Area Water Supply and Conservation Agency Pilot Water Transfer

RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopts a resolution (Attachment II) authorizing the City Manager to execute three agreements related to the Bay Area Water Supply and Conservation Agency (BAWSCA) Pilot Water Transfer: 1) BAWSCA-Hayward Pilot Water Transfer Agreement; 2) Regional Intertie Side Agreement between City of Hayward, East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD), and San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC); and 3) Hayward-SFPUC Pilot Water Transfer Agreement.

SUMMARY

The Bay Area Water Supply & Conservation Agency (BAWSCA) has proposed a one-time pilot water transfer under which BAWSCA would purchase up to 1,000 acre-feet of water from the Amador Water Agency (AWA) for delivery and use within the BAWSCA service area. Under the proposed project, the transfer water would be conveyed through the EBMUD water system and delivered to the City of Hayward (City), a BAWSCA member agency, through the Regional Intertie, which connects the EBMUD water system to the SFPUC Regional Water System through Hayward. During the pilot water transfer, the City would switch its water supply and receive water from EBMUD, instead of SFPUC, which requires the City to modify water system operations and pump water in the reverse direction for delivery to customers. Transfer water that is not used by the City would be pumped into the SFPUC Regional Water System.

Consistent with the requirements of the City's existing Regional Intertie agreements, the pilot water transfer is scheduled to occur during a planned critical maintenance shutdown of the SFPUC Hetch Hetchy system in January 2020. Existing agreements and approvals limit the allowable uses of the Regional Intertie to emergencies or planned critical maintenance work on EBMUD, SFPUC or City facilities. Over the past year, staff has worked closely with BAWSCA and other parties to prepare seven agreements under which the proposed water transfer could be implemented, of which the City would be a party to three.

The Council Sustainability Committee (CSC) received an update on the proposed pilot water transfer, impacts to the City, and key agreement terms and provisions at its October 30, 2019 meeting. Committee members provided staff with comments and direction, which are summarized in the Discussion section of this report and have been incorporated into the final negotiated agreements. Based on the input received from the CSC, staff is recommending Council authorize the City Manager to execute the three agreements related to the City's participation in the BAWSCA pilot water transfer.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment I	Staff Report
Attachment II	Resolution
Attachment III	BAWSCA Pilot Water Transfer Map