

Cover Memo

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DATE: January 29, 2019

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Director of Utilities & Environmental Services

SUBJECT

Authorize the City Manager to Amend the Cooperating Agreement with the East Bay Municipal Utility District for Preparation of a Groundwater Sustainability Plan for the East Bay Plain Subbasin

RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopts a resolution authorizing the City Manager to amend the Cooperating Agreement with the East Bay Municipal Utility District to jointly prepare a Groundwater Sustainability Plan for the East Bay Plain Subbasin.

SUMMARY

The Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) was signed into law in 2014 to provide for comprehensive and sustainable management of groundwater resources within the State. Hayward and the East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD) are the exclusive Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs) overlying the East Bay Plain Subbasin and, as such, are jointly responsible for the long-term sustainable management of the groundwater basin. On June 5, 2018, Council authorized execution of a Cooperating Agreement with EBMUD, under which the parties agree to work together and share the costs to prepare a single Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) for the Subbasin in accordance with SGMA. The Cooperating Agreement includes a preliminary scope of work, schedule and budget for the project based on staff level estimates. Since the Cooperating Agreement was executed, staff has worked with EBMUD to procure technical consultant services to assist with the preparation of the GSP. Staff is requesting authorization from Council to make minor revisions to the Cooperating Agreement to reflect the actual consultant scope of work, schedule, and costs for the project. No other changes are proposed at this time, and the amendment will not have a material effect on the City's obligations.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment I	Staff Report
Attachment II	Resolution