



Agenda Report

Fullerton City Council

MEETING DATE: MAY 20, 2025

TO: CITY COUNCIL / SUCCESSOR AGENCY

SUBMITTED BY: STEPHEN BISE. P.E., PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

PREPARED BY: TODD LE, P.E., PRINCIPAL WATER ENGINEER

SUBJECT: INTERTIE AND WATER SUPPLY AGREEMENT WITH
PAGE AVENUE MUTUAL WATER COMPANY

SUMMARY

Agreement with Page Avenue Mutual Water Company (PAMWC) for water system intertie and to supply water to PAMWC service area during shutdown of PAMWC well due to water quality issues.

PROPOSED MOTION

1. Approve Agreement between the City of Fullerton (City) and PAMWC setting term, use of intertie, metering, water and sanitation rates, rate adjustments, ownership and maintenance, indemnifications, force majeure and other miscellaneous items.
2. Authorize and direct City Manager, or designee, to execute Agreement and any related documents and to take all actions necessary to implement and administer Agreement on behalf of the City of Fullerton, subject to any non-substantive changes and modifications.
3. Authorize City Manager to extend terms of the Agreement by one year, up to three additional years, without any substantive changes.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

- Approve the Proposed Motion
- Reject agreement and provide staff direction
- Other options brought by City Council.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Proposed Motion.

CITY MANAGER REMARKS

None.

PRIORITY POLICY STATEMENT

This item matches the following Priority Policy Statements:

- Fiscal and Organizational Stability
- Public Safety
- Infrastructure and City Assets.

FISCAL IMPACT

No cost to the City. The City would bill PAMWC monthly for water supplied through the intertie at the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD) purchased water rate plus an administrative and operational charge the Orange County North Basin Superfund Site as detailed in the attached agreement.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

PAMWC formed in 1950 to provide water service to local unincorporated county residents not connected to the City water system. The County annexed this area to the City in 2004, however, PAMWC maintained water services, supplying untreated domestic water to approximately 120 residences. The Orange County North Basin Superfund Site has compromised the PAMWC well. The State Water Resources Control Board – Division of Drinking Water (DDW) and US Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) informed the City that PAMWC cannot serve customers water at the current configuration.

The PAMWC Board acknowledged the need to dissolve the company and consolidate into the City water system. USEPA and the City will begin planning to consolidate services. The City will continue to serve water to PAMWC customers through the existing intertie until completing construction to bring the water system up to City standard.

Attachments:

- Attachment 1 – Intertie and Water Supply Agreement

cc: City Manager Eric J. Levitt