

**City of Culver City, California
Agenda Item Report**

Meeting Date: 07/13/2009		Item Number: <u>A-1</u>	
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM: Adoption of a Resolution Approving the Final Sewer System Management Plan			
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Fiscal Impact: Yes ☒ No ☐		General Fund: Yes ☐ No ☒	
Public Hearing: ☐		Action Item: ☒ Attachments: ☒	
Commission Action Required: Yes ☐ No ☐		Date: _____	
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Department Approval: Charles D. Herbertson (07/02/09)		City Attorney Approval: Carol Schwab (by H. Baker) (07/08/09)	
Chief Financial Officer Approval: Jeff Muir (by M. Noller) (07/08/09)		City Manager Approval: Mark Scott (07/08/09)	
<u>RECOMMENDATION:</u> Staff recommends the City Council adopt a resolution approving the final Sewer System Management Plan (SSMP) pursuant to State Water Resources Control Board Order No. 2006-0003-DWQ. <u>BACKGROUND:</u> On May 2, 2006 the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) adopted a Statewide General Waste Discharge Requirements and Monitoring and Reporting Program (WDRs) by issuing Order No. 2006-0003-DWQ to provide a consistent statewide approach for reducing Sanitary Sewer Overflows (SSOs). Two major components of the WDRs are the requirements that owners and operators of publicly owned collection sewer systems a mile long or greater apply for coverage under the WDRs and that they develop and implement a Sewer System Management Plan (SSMP). Culver City owns and operates 85 miles of gravity and force main sewers and 7 pump stations and is therefore subject to the WDRs. The City has applied for coverage under the WDRs. The development plan and schedule of the SSMP must be approved by the local governing board (in Culver City's case, the City Council) by November 2, 2007 (which action was taken by the City Council on October 22, 2007) and the final SSMP must be approved by August 2, 2009 (which action is before the City Council this evening).			

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As mentioned above, on October 22, 2007, City Council adopted Resolution No. 2007-R057, establishing a schedule for implementing a Sewer System Management Plan (Attachment 1).

DISCUSSION:

The SSMP must include provisions to provide proper and efficient management, operation, and maintenance of sanitary sewer systems, while taking into consideration risk management and cost-benefit analysis. Additionally, the SSMP must contain a spill response plan that establishes standard procedures for immediate response to a SSO in a manner designed to minimize water quality impacts and potential nuisance. Each element of the SSMP and its deadlines are listed in Attachment 2.

The final SSMP must be approved by the local governing board for certification upon its completion. Since November 2007, staff has diligently prepared the SSMP, one element at a time. The final SSMP is now complete and ready for the City Council's consideration and recommended approval (Attachment 3).

FISCAL ANALYSIS:

The City's annual budget for operating and maintaining the sewer system is currently \$6,770,473. In addition to this amount, the City pays the City of Los Angeles over \$2 million per year to convey and treat its sewage at the Hyperion Sewage Treatment Plant. The approval and adoption of the SSMP is a negligible expense; however, additional expenses may be realized if deficiencies in the sewer infrastructure are revealed.

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1) Resolution No. 2007-R057
- 2) SSMP Required Time Schedule
- 3) Culver City's Final SSMP
- 4) Proposed Resolution

MOTION:

That the City Council:

Adopt a resolution approving the Final Sewer System Management Plan pursuant to State Water Resources Control Board Order No. 2006-0003-DWQ.