COUNCIL AGENDA: March 18, 2014

SUBJECT:

SCHEDULING OF CITY COUNCIL STUDY SESSIONS ON "WATER" FOR

TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 2014, AND TUESDAY, APRIL 22, 2014

SOURCE:

Administration

COMMENT:

During "Other Matters" of the City Council meeting on March 4, 2014, Councilmember McCracken recommended the scheduling of a City Council Study Session on "Water" for Tuesday, April 8, 2014, also scheduling Tuesday, April 22, 2014, if Council deemed an additional Study Session necessary. Given the City Council's approval to schedule the Study Sessions, the first Study Session is proposed to be scheduled for Tuesday, April 8, 2014, beginning at 5:30 P.M. in the Library Community Room, with the second Study Session (if necessary) tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, April 22, 2014, also beginning at 5:30 P.M. in the Library Community Room.

As part of the April 8th Study Session, Dr. Kenneth D. Schmidt, Certified Hydrologist and the City's geologic consultant for water well development and recharge programs, has been invited to make an informational presentation on the Porterville area watersheds and aquifers. City staff is planning to assist in the presentation of local groundwater levels and customer consumption data.

Councilmember Gurrola has requested that Mr. Mario Santoyo, Director and Technical Advisor for the California Latino Water Coalition and Assistant General Manager of the Friant Water Authority, also be afforded time to present before the City Council on the subject of water. Mr. Santoyo is unable to attend the April 8th Study Session due to meetings in Washington D.C., however, he is available the date of Monday, March 24th when he could make such a presentation. The Council would need to approve the scheduling of an additional Study Session for Monday, March 24, 2014.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Council:

- 1) Approve the scheduling of City Council Study Sessions on "Water" for Tuesday, April 8, 2014, and Tuesday, April 22, 2014 (if necessary), beginning at 5:30 P.M. in the Library Community Room; and
- 2) Consider the scheduling of a City Council Study Session to receive a presentation by Mr. Santoyo on the evening of Monday, March 24, 2014.

ATTACHMENT: None

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