

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-2312

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOODYEAR, MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA, ESTABLISHING A CITIZEN WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE; ADOPTING BY-LAWS FOR THE CITIZEN WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE; AUTHORIZING STAFF TO TAKE ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE INTENT OF THE RESOLUTION AND BY-LAWS; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, in 2014, the Goodyear City Council adopted Resolution 2014-1612, which established the Goodyear Water Planning Committee as an ad hoc committee primarily focused on providing advice regarding a pending fee study for water and wastewater rates; and

WHEREAS, by the terms of Resolution 2014-1612, the Goodyear Water Planning Committee ceased to exist upon the adoption of water and sewer rates, which rates were adopted on October 26, 2015 by Resolution 2015-1718; and

WHEREAS, emerging challenges in the management of the city's water portfolio, including conditions on the Colorado River Basin and groundwater pumping limitations, require strategic planning for long-term reliability and resiliency of water supplies; and

WHEREAS, management of water resources for efficiency in current use and future demands, is essential to sustain water supplies, infrastructure, and the city's economic vitality; and

WHEREAS, costs to acquire new water resources and to construct water infrastructure and wastewater infrastructure that has an impact on the city's water supply are increasing locally and nationwide; and

WHEREAS, the City seeks public input on issues related to water supplies, the operation of the city's water system, the operation of the city's wastewater system as it impacts the city's water supply, the impacts of growth on both systems, and the related financial implications; and

WHEREAS, the City puts a high value on public participation; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of a standing committee comprised primarily of Goodyear residents living within the City's utility service area will provide public input into the city's future water needs and facilitate the development of water resource planning, water system planning, conservation, and water rates and fees that reflect the values and priorities of the residents of Goodyear; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Goodyear City Code § 2-4-11, the Goodyear City Council is empowered to create boards, committees and commission it deems necessary that are to exist at the pleasure of the council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOODYEAR, MARICOPA COUNTY, ARIZONA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. GOODYEAR CITIZEN WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

A committee to be known as the Citizen Water Advisory Committee is hereby established to advise City staff and to make recommendations to the Council on matters related to future water needs, water and wastewater system operations as such operations impact the city's water supply, water conservation, and rates and fees. The Citizen Water Advisory Committee shall be a standing committee until such time as the Goodyear City Council terminates it.

SECTION 2. BY-LAWS

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Goodyear hereby approve and adopt that certain document titled "City of Goodyear Citizen Water Advisory Committee By-Laws," a copy of which is attached hereto (the "Citizen Water Advisory Committee By-Laws"), which shall govern the operations of the Citizen Water Advisory Committee.

SECTION 3. CITY MANAGER ACTION

The City Manager and/or appropriate City staff are hereby authorized to take all actions on behalf of the City as may be necessary to carry out the intent of this Resolution and the City of Goodyear Citizen Water Advisory Committee By- Laws.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Resolution shall become effective as prescribed by law.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Goodyear, Maricopa County, Arizona, by a _____ vote, this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Joe Pizzillo, Mayor

Date: _____

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Darcie McCracken, City Clerk

Roric Massey, City Attorney