



ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION 20220330-001

Date: March 28, 2024

Subject: Watershed Protection Department FY 2024-2025 Budget, Programs, and Projects

Motion by: Perry Bedford

Seconded by: Peter Einhorn

WHEREAS, the Environmental Commission was presented the Watershed Protection Department's (WPD) Fiscal year 2024 budget; and

WHEREAS, the Environmental Commission understands the Watershed Protection Department's (WPD) annual Financial Forecast is still being prepared and the final plan will be provided to Council in near future; and

THEREFORE, the Environmental Commission supports the Watershed Protection Department's Budget, Programs, and Projects as presented to the Commission with the following recommendations:

- Continue to support the funding for trash removal and working with profit and nonprofit contracts for trash removal in the community and neighborhoods.
- Research federal and state funding available to supplement city funding for applicable improvement projects.
- Replenishing creek beds
- Pollution prevention and response
- Personnel and wage increases as appropriate
- Invest money in water quality monitoring to quantify the impact of the IH-35 expansion.

VOTE 7-0

For: Perry Bedford, Rick Brimer, Hanna Cofer, Peter Einhorn, Marianna Krueger, Melinda Schiera, David Sullivan

Against: None

Recuse: None

Absent: Jennifer Bristol, Kevin Ramberg, Colin Nickells, Haris Qureshi

Approved By:

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Perry Bedford, Environmental Commission Vice Chair