

UTILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE



Meeting Highlights -- Tuesday, May 19, 2009

Committee members Present: Sharon Schilling, Sarah Velasquez, Laura Whitehouse, Allan Schroeder, John McCubbin and Nick Webber. Committee Members not present: Deena Monteiro, Art Reker

1. Welcome

Sharon Schilling, UAC Chair, opened the meeting

2. Review April 28, 2009 Meeting Highlights

Ms. Schilling asked the group to review the April 14th meeting highlights. A member of the general public requested a revision to his previously stated public comment.

3. Recap of Items

The group reviewed the action item list. The group requested that Art Reker add text to the Report to City Council regarding why the City of Fresno did not have a rate increase for many years (Action Item 23).

4. Review, Discuss, Edit Draft Report to City Council

The group reviewed the Draft Report to the City Council; collectively making single text edits to the same version. The Center for Collaborative Policy committed to distributing the May 19 version of the Report after the meeting. Each UAC Member agreed to continue to revised the report and reconvene on June 9th.

Public Comment

Lauren Harding, general public member made the following comment:

The past meeting summary incorrectly captured my comment; I was referring to a plan not a water plant. I did not see a meeting notice in the Fresno Bee regarding this UAC meeting. I recommend against using a CPI to set utility rates, if fees are tied to a CPI it would lead to inflation. I will call the Fresno Bee in the morning to discuss the CPI issue.