

Business Item 2017-287 SW: Wastewater Reuse-Related Amendments to Water Resources Policy Plan

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Wastewater Reuse



Supports
sustainable
water
management



Supports
orderly,
economical
development
of the region



Relies on
institutional
arrangements
and cost of
service
approach

Amendment to *Water Resources Policy Plan*



Cost-of-service, case-by-case approach to wastewater reuse



Cooperation and partnership with local communities



Potential regional benefit evaluation



Regional cost share if regional benefit exists



Cumulative regional cost share: not exceed 0.75% of the total annual municipal wastewater charges

Implementation Strategies



Regional benefit evaluation criteria:

- Increase wastewater reuse capability
- Foster environmental sustainability
- Support economic development



Public hearing:

Prior to final regional benefit and regional cost share determination

Implementation Strategies



Wastewater reuse project:

Consistent with community's comprehensive plan



Joint powers agreement with community:

Define institutional arrangements and avoid competition

Implementation Strategies



Long-term reclaimed water service agreement with each user



Pursue non-Council funding sources to complement Council funding

Thrive Lens Analysis



Thrive MSP 2040 Plan

Pursue wastewater reuse where economically feasible as a means to promote sustainable water resources.



2040 Water Resources Policy Plan



Work with our partners



Promote a more sustainable region



Maximize regional benefits from regional investments



Provide efficient, high-quality, sustainable wastewater services

Proposed Action

- That the Metropolitan Council authorize a public hearing on the proposed wastewater reuse-related amendments to the *Water Resource Policy Plan*

Questions