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ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT

# MOTION

The City and region has been impacted by persistent drought conditions over the last three years. In an attempt to deal with the drought, the City has implemented various water conservation measures and has encouraged residents to reduce their water use.

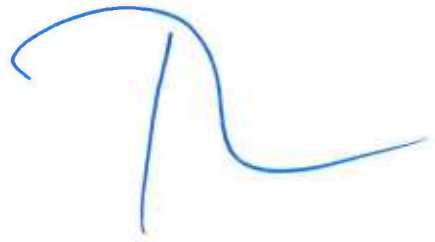
However, there is a concern about the impact the drought may have on public safety; and in particular Fire Department operations. The Los Angeles Fire Department has over hundreds of pumpers in their daily fleet. Training is 45 seconds on these pumpers. However, due to critical water supply, the ability to train has been jeopardized.

To ensure that the Fire Department is prepared, LAFD should be allowed to use hydrants located at open body reservoirs such as the Silver Lake Reservoir and the Tillman Reclamation Plant. In this manner, the health and welfare of the public may be ensured while using hydrants located where water will not be of waste.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Department of Water and Power and the Fire Department be instructed to identify locations in which the Fire Departments can utilize hydrants located at open body reservoirs, and the feasibility of using these locations for training practices.

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