

RULES, ELECTIONS, AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT and RESOLUTION relative to establishing the City's position regarding AB 1000 (Friedman) which would strengthen protections for the Mojave Desert by ensuring water transfers from its groundwater basins do not adversely affect the region.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Resolution (Ryu - Koretz - Rodriguez), SUBJECT TO THE CONCURRENCE OF THE MAYOR:

ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION to include in the City's 2017-18 State Legislative Program, SUPPORT for AB 1000 (Friedman) which would strengthen protections for the ecologically fragile Mojave Desert by ensuring any water transfers from its groundwater basins do not adversely affect the region's natural and cultural resources.

Fiscal Impact Statement: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst (CLA) has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: Yes.

For: Silver Lake Neighborhood Council

SUMMARY

At a special meeting held on August 29, 2017, the Rules, Elections, and Intergovernmental Relations Committee considered Resolution (Ryu - Koretz - Rodriguez) relative to establishing the City's position regarding AB 1000 (Friedman) which would strengthen protections for the ecologically fragile Mojave Desert by ensuring any water transfers from its groundwater basins do not adversely affect the region's natural and cultural resources. The accompanying Resolution, also attached to the Council file, provides additional background information.

A representative of the CLA addressed the Committee and responded to questions on the matter. During further discussion, the Council President inquired whether other counties and cities in the region have taken a position on the AB 1000 and requested the CLA to provide the information. Additionally, the Committee inquired about the status of AB 1000, and was provided by the CLA representative with the bill's current status and possible scenarios and timeframes for the Senate's consideration of the bill.

After consideration, and after providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended that Council adopt the accompanying Resolution, and requested the CLA to provide further information regarding positions other jurisdictions have taken on the matter and to provide updated information on the status of AB 1000. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

RULES, ELECTIONS, AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
WESSON:	YES
HUIZAR:	ABSENT
HARRIS-DAWSON:	YES

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