

# Meeting Minutes

**IVINS  
CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES  
July 7, 2022**

- D. [Discuss and consider approval of engineering services to prepare Sewer, Culinary Water and Secondary Irrigation Master Plans, Impact Fee Facility Plans, Impact Fee Analysis and User Fee Analysis Staff Report](#)

**Chuck Gillette** reported that Ivins City last updated the Sewer Master Plan in 2016 and with the growth that has occurred since then, it is time to update the Master Plan, Impact Fee Analysis and Rate Study. The Water and Secondary Irrigation Master Plans were completed in 2019 and those plans do not necessarily require an update but one of the goals of the Sewer Master Plan update is to finalize decisions on whether the City should build its own waste water treatment plant, which could potentially provide a new source of water so it may be necessary to update the Water and Irrigation plans as well. Staff received one (1) proposal that was submitted by Bowen Collins and Associates. They also completed the 2016 Master Plan and after reviewing the proposal, Staff recommends selecting Bowen Collins and Associates.

**MOTION: Council Member Anderson moved to approve engineering services to prepare Sewer, Culinary Water and Secondary Irrigation Master Plans, Impact Fee Facility Plans, Impact Fee Analysis and User Fee Analysis in an amount not to exceed \$75,000**

**SECOND: Council Member Scott**

**VOTE: The motion carried.**

Council Member Scott	AYE
Council Member Johnson	AYE
Council Member Murphy	AYE
Council Member Anderson	AYE
Council Member Mehr	ABSENT

**IVINS  
CITY COUNCIL WORK MEETING  
MINUTES  
March 29, 2022**

**Line 208 regarding secondary irrigation.** **Council Member Scott** stated that the City of Santa Clara added that any lot in any zone that is larger than one-half (1/2) acre must use secondary irrigation. The **Mayor and City Council** agreed that they cannot require that because Ivins City does not have secondary water available to everyone. **Mayor Hart** clarified that at some point in time Ivins City would want to require that and suggested that it could be worded "as where available."

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November 3, 2022**

D. [Update on the water situation](#)

**Mayor Hart** indicated that he had a chance at the Townhall meetings to explain that the Washington County Water Conservancy District is in the process of creating a policy of a Will-Serve letter that assigns the necessary amount of water to a development. It translates to Ivins being wholly reliant on the County and we are ignoring the issue of water on developments. It just means water is not an issue that Ivins can use to deny an application. If we did that, without the District telling us they did not have water, then that puts the City in jeopardy of litigation. It will be brought up again but there is a procedure that will take place after the first part of January. The process is that it goes through Preliminary Plan and then the requirement would then be to go to the expense of getting development drawings approved by the City Engineer and then go to the District to obtain the Will-Serve letter. That gives one 18 months to Final Plat. The reason for that is the District is doing what they can from people doing a run on the water. Because we are in a severe drought, water fees are paid by the developer at the time of the Will-Serve letter and the water is attached to those lots. By Final Plat, they are attached permanently to those lots. Right now there is a State imposed requirement for ERUs and not ERC per permit. All of the Virgin River water has been committed. As reservoirs are built, they will hold water and then be released for secondary water., which expands the available water for growth. The Washington County Water Conservancy District takes the existing population and reliable water to take care of existing residents. Extreme measure that could be taken would be regulating interior water use and rationing of water. If we reach a point where available water has been consumed, a declaration would be made. The Council could continue to receive applications and then the developers are in line for the Will-Serve letters. The Lake Powell pipeline is currently the Lake Powell pipeline dream. **Council Member Mehr** inquired if there was a cost for the Will-Serve letter. **Mayor Hart** stated that it is currently \$12,000. Council Member Anderson clarified that is paid at the Preliminary Plan stage. **Council Member Mehr** inquired what the check and balances were that hold the District accountable because they are not elected or appointed. **Mayor Hart** indicated that they consists of Mayors and Commissioners and the balance is that there are elected officials of the governing the Board and it goes through the Board of Trustees. The Washington County Water Conservancy District is an independent District. It is a Special Service District.