

**ARROYO SECO GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY MEETING**  
**July 26, 2022 @ 4:00 P.M.**

Virtual Attendance Only and Remote Viewing Options

The Arroyo Seco Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“ASGSA”) will be conducting its regular meeting on July 26, 2022. Consistent with Assembly Bill (AB) 361, the Agency will hold this meeting virtually only, without in-person attendance by the public and without a physical location for public participation. Further, and consistent with AB 361, the meeting is accessible for public participation through video conferencing and livestreaming.

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**City of Greenfield  
Arroyo Seco  
Groundwater Sustainability Agency**

599 El Camino Real  
Greenfield, CA 93927

**Meeting Agenda  
July 26, 2022  
4:00 P.M.**

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**PLEASE TURN OFF CELL PHONES AND PAGERS**

- A. **CALL TO ORDER**
- B. **ROLL CALL**
- C. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- D. **PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

This portion of the Agenda allows an individual the opportunity to address the Agency on any items not on closed session, consent calendar, public hearings, and Agency business. Under state regulation, **no action can be taken on non-agenda items, including issues raised under this agenda item.** Members of the public should be aware of this when addressing the Agency regarding items not specifically referenced on the Agenda. **PLEASE NOTE:** Given the current Shelter-in-Place Order covering Monterey County and the Social Distance Guidelines issued by Federal, State, and Local Authorities, the Agency is implementing changes for attendance and public comment. Please review the Agency's Attendance and Public Comments Changes Due to COVID-19 for additional information. Please be further aware that all public comments must be submitted via email to the following email address: [cityclerk@ci.greenfield.ca.us](mailto:cityclerk@ci.greenfield.ca.us).

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**E. CONSENT CALENDAR**

All matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered routine and may be approved by one action of the Agency, unless a request for removal for discussion or explanation is received prior to the time Agency votes on the motion to adopt.

**E-1. APPROVAL** of the Minutes of the June 28, 2022 Meeting of the Arroyo Seco Groundwater Sustainability Agency

**E-2. ADOPTION** of Resolution GSA #2022-07, A Resolution of the Arroyo Seco Groundwater Sustainability Agency Authorizing the Continued Use of Remote Teleconferencing Provision (AB 361)

**F. AGENCY BUSINESS**

**F-1. RECEIVE** Arroyo Seco Groundwater Sustainability Agency General Manager's Status Report

- a. Oral Report
- b. Public Comments
- c. Agency Board - Comments / Review / Action

**G. ADJOURNMENT**

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**CITY OF GREENFIELD ARROYO SECO  
GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY  
MINUTES**

**AGENCY MEETING OF JUNE 28, 2022**

**This meeting was conducted via Zoom.**

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Chair Thorp, Vice Chair Griva, Board Member Rodriguez and Martinez

Absent: Board Member Wood

Staff: Interagency Attorney Thompson, General Manager Weeks, City Clerk Rathbun

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

**A MOTION** by Vice Chair Griva, seconded by Board Member Rodriguez to approve the Minutes of the May 24, 2022 Meeting of the Arroyo Seco Groundwater Sustainability Agency and **Resolution GSA #2022-06, “A Resolution of the Arroyo Seco Groundwater Sustainability Agency Authorizing the Continued Use of the Remote Teleconferencing Provision (AB 361)”**. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Board Member Martinez, Board Member Rodriguez, Vice Chair Griva and Chair Thorp. ABSENT: Board Member Wood. Motion carried.

**AGENCY BUSINESS**

**REVIEW PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2022/2023 ARROYO SECO GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY BUDGET**

Staff report was given by General Manager Weeks.

**A MOTION** by Board Member Martinez, seconded by Vice Chair Griva to approve the Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Arroyo Seco Groundwater Sustainability Agency Budget. ROLL CALL VOTE: AYES: Board Member Martinez, Board Member Rodriguez, Vice Chair Griva and Chair Thorp. ABSENT: Board Member Wood. Motion carried.

**RECEIVE ARROYO SECO GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY GENERAL MANAGER’S STATUS REPORT**

General Manager Weeks stated that they were continuing to work on better implementation of the annual report to DWR and would be taking it to the Coordination Committee tomorrow. He stated that they needed to make sure that it was followed and find a way to participate in the development of that annual report. He also stated that over the next year the Board would have to be looking at the budget and implementation and make sure that the GSA had the right kind of budget elements. He stated that the staff wanted to make sure that we were working with the SVBGSA given that their budget had not been approved were not sure of what was being proposed. He stated that this item would also be before the Coordination Committee. He stated that he would be making a presentation before the City Council tonight regarding the GSA. He

informed the Board that there was some legislation being considered that might impact the GSA, AB 2201. He stated that this proposed legislation that would require in medium and critically over drafted basins, a well permit would not be issued unless it was approved by the overline GSA region. He stated that the Arroyo Seco boundary was the city limits and he did not anticipate that there would be significant number of new wells drawn even if the law went into effect.

Chair Thorp asked if General Manager Weeks had heard anything about the Governor issuing an executive order about new well permits. General Manager Weeks stated that was what essentially led to AB 2201 and stated that it would likely pass.

Chair Thorp asked for an update on the grant funding. General Manager Weeks stated that they had submitted a package and he had not received any feed back from SVBGSA or DWR that it was not complete; however, he would check on it and then bring a status report back to the Board.

Board Member Martinez thanked General Manager for the presentation to the City Council and stated that she would like General Manager Weeks to arrange a meeting with Assemblymember Rivas and Senator Caballero to let them know what the ASGSA had been doing.

Tom Virsik stated that regarding grants, yesterday at a different meeting, the SVBGSA seemed to have announced that an update on the DWR Round #2 grants and it sounded like those grants were no longer live and the GSAs were unable to pursue them. He stated that it was not critical to this GSA at this point, however, it may in the future. General Manager Weeks stated that it was a bit discouraging that the monies might not be available; however, he would find out what had occurred.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 4:22 p.m.

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Chair of the Board

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City Clerk of the City of Greenfield

**RESOLUTION GSA NO. 2022-07**  
**A RESOLUTION OF THE ARROYO SECO GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY**  
**AUTHORIZING THE CONTINUED USE OF REMOTE**  
**TELECONFERENCING PROVISIONS (AB 361)**

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Board of the Arroyo Seco Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“Governing Board”) is committed to open and transparent government, and full compliance with the Ralph M. Brown Act (“Brown Act”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Brown Act generally requires that a public agency take certain actions in order to use teleconferencing to attend a public meeting virtually; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Board recognizes that a local emergency persists due to the worldwide COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, the California Legislature has recognized the ongoing state of emergency due to the COVID-19 pandemic and has responded by creating an additional means for public meetings to be held via teleconference (inclusive of internet-based virtual meetings); and

**WHEREAS**, on September 16, 2021, the California legislature passed Assembly Bill (“AB”) 361, which amends Government Code, section 54953 and permits a local agency to use teleconferencing to conduct its meetings in any of the following circumstances: (A) the legislative body holds a meeting during a proclaimed state of emergency, and state or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing; (B) the legislative body holds a meeting during a proclaimed state of emergency for the purpose of determining, by majority vote, whether as a result of the emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees; or (C) the legislative body holds a meeting during a proclaimed state of emergency and has determined, by majority vote, pursuant to subparagraph (B), that, as a result of the emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees; and

**WHEREAS**, in order for the Governing Board to use teleconferencing as allowed by AB 361 after October 1, 2021, it must first adopt findings in a resolution, allowing the Governing Board to conduct teleconferenced meetings for a period of thirty (30) days; and

**WHEREAS**, Governor Gavin Newsom declared a state of emergency for the State of California due to the COVID-19 pandemic in his order entitled “Proclamation of a State of Emergency,” signed March 4, 2020; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Board previously adopted Resolution Number 2021-01 on October 26, 2021, finding that the requisite conditions exist to conduct remote teleconference meetings in accordance with Government Code section 54953(e); and

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Board is conducting its meetings through the use of telephonic and internet-based services so that members of the public may observe and participate in meetings and offer public comment; and

**WHEREAS**, as a condition of the continued use of the provisions found in Government Code section 54953(e), the Governing Board must reconsider the circumstances of the state of

emergency and find that either it continues to directly impact the ability of the members to meet safely in person, and/or state or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Monterey continues to require and/or recommend certain social distancing requirements of people within Monterey County, as described in detail in the “Recommendation Regarding Social Distancing Including Remote Meetings of Legislative Bodies,” issued by the Monterey County Health Department on September 22, 2021; and

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the recitals set forth above are true and correct and fully incorporated into this Resolution by reference.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Governing Board has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency and finds that the state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of members to meet safely in person.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Governing Board has determined that state or local officials have imposed or recommended social distancing measures.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the actions taken by the Governing Board through this Resolution may be applied to all District committees governed by the Brown Act unless otherwise desired by that committee.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Governing Board authorizes the General Manager or their designee(s) to take all actions necessary to continue to conduct Governing Board meetings in accordance with Government Code section 54953(e) and all other applicable provisions of the Brown Act, using teleconferencing for a period of thirty (30) days from the adoption of this Resolution, after which the Governing Board will reconsider the circumstances of the state of emergency.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Arroyo Seco Groundwater Sustainability Agency Governing Board on this 26<sup>th</sup> day of July 2022, by the following vote:

AYES, and all in favor, thereof, Board Members:

NOES, Board Members:

ABSENT, Board Members:

ABSTAIN, Board Members:

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Chair of the Board

Attest:

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