



STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: July 10, 2024

PRESENTER: Michael Barajas, Public Works Director

SUBJECT: Adopt Resolution Authorizing City Manager to Sign and File a Financial Assistance Application to the State Water Resources Control Board Drinking Water State Revolving Fund for the Water Quality Improvement Project (MB)

RECOMMENDATION: Council by motion adopt resolution authorizing the City Manager to sign and file a Financial Assistance Application to the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) for the Water Quality Improvement Project.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The City of Kerman owns and operates a public water system with a total of six wells, one of which has a compliance order for TCP and Uranium exceedances. All of the City's wells have concentrations of hexavalent chromium that exceed the recently adopted MCL.

Staff would like to evaluate several alternatives to determine the most feasible alternative to address water quality levels above the recently adopted MCL for Hexavalent Chromium.

The City is considered a Disadvantaged Community (DAC). According to the 2022 U.S. Census American Community survey, the City's Median Household income (MHI) is \$69,571 which is less than the State's MHI of \$91,551.

The State Water Resources Control Board Drinking Water State Revolving Fund offers Planning Grants to DACs. The planning grants fund up to \$500,000 in eligible planning costs.

The SWRCB requires that the applicant's Governing Board adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to sign and file a financial assistance application to the DWSRF for the proposed project. Adoption of this resolution is a requirement to complete and submit to DWSRF.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The cost to prepare and submit the application will be \$5,000 which will be allocated from the water enterprise fund.

ATTACHMENTS:

A. Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. 24-__

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KERMAN AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN AND FILE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION TO THE STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND FOR THE WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT.

WHEREAS, the City of Kerman owns and operates a public water system with a total of six wells; and

WHEREAS, one of which has a compliance order for TCP and Uranium exceedances. All of the City's wells have concentrations of hexavalent chromium that exceed the recently adopted MCL; and

WHEREAS, the City of Kerman is considered a Disadvantaged Community (DAC) and the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) offers planning grants to DACs and;

WHEREAS, the planning grants fund up to \$500,000 in eligible planning costs;

WHEREAS, the City is seeking financing from State Water Resources Control Board through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund(DWSRF) for Water Quality Improvements Project; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Kerman as follows:

- SECTION 1. The foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated by reference.
- SECTION 2. The City Manager (the "Authorized Representative") or designee is hereby authorized and directed to sign and file, for and on behalf of the Entity, a Financial Assistance Application for a financing agreement from the State water Resources Control Board for a planning grant for the purpose of a Water Quality Improvement Project.
- SECTION 3. This Authorized Representative, or his/her designee, is designated to provide the assurances, certifications, and commitments required for the financial assistance application, including executing a financial assistance agreement from the State Water Resources Control Board and any amendments or changes thereto.
- SECTION 4. The Authorized Representative, or his/her designee, is designated to represent the Entity in carrying out the Entity's responsibilities under the financing agreement, including certifying disbursement requests

on behalf of the Entity and compliance with applicable state and federal laws.

SECTION 5. This resolution is effective upon adoption.

The foregoing resolution was introduced and adopted by the City Council of the City of Kerman at a regular meeting held on the 10th day of July 2024, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

The foregoing resolution is hereby approved.

Maria Pacheco
Mayor

ATTEST:

Josie Camacho
City Clerk