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ITEM 028. ACCEPTED AND FILED status report on ordinance amending Chapter 7.69 of the Santa Cruz County Code Relating to the Installation of Water Conservation Devices; directed Planning staff to return on May 21, 2002 with ordinance amending Chapter 7.69 for consideration: and directed the Water Resource Manager to provide a Progress Report on Water Resources Management which will include proposed amendments to the Landscaping and Individual Water Systems ordinance on or before October 22, 2002, as recommended by the Planning Director

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DATE: 3/5/02
COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ
SUSAN A. MAURIELLO
EX-OFFICIO CLERK OF THE BOARD
BY _____ DEPUTY

February 25,2002

AGENDA: March 5, 2002

Board of Supervisors
County of Santa Cruz
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Santa Cruz, CA 95060

STATUS REPORT ON ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 7.69 OF THE SANTA CRUZ COUNTY CODE RELATING TO THE INSTALLATION OF WATER CONSERVATION DEVICES

Members of the Board:

On October 15,2002 your Board accepted a Progress Report On Water Resources Management and directed staff to return on this date with a draft retrofit upon re-sale ordinance. *An* ordinance amending Chapter 7.69 of the Santa Cruz County Code related to the Installation of Water Conservation Devices has been drafted and has undergone an initial review by County Counsel. Counsel has indicated that minor clarification may be necessary relating to plumbing permits and compatibility with the City of Santa Cruz's draft ordinance in the unincorporated portion of their service area. Additional refinement is necessary to finalize a self verification form. In addition staff will need to meet with the Interagency Water Resources Working Group and the Board of Realtors. Staff will finalize these matters, coordinate with City of Santa Cruz conservation staff, and do the outreach over the next two months. It is our intention to return *to* your Board on May **21,** 2002 with the proposed ordinance amendments.

Your Board should know that additional conservation policy is being evaluated. Staff is exploring strategies to improve upon landscape water conservation standards and to establish better methods to integrate conservation into the Individual Water Systems Ordinance, These latter two efforts are in the preliminary stages. Additional staff time will be necessary to review and evaluate existing ordinances and to develop new proposed amendments associated with the latter two strategies. It is our intention to incorporate the additional conservation policy into a Progress Report On Water Resources Management and bring it to your Board for initial consideration in October.

It is therefore RECOMMENDED that your Board:

1) Accept and file this Status Report On Ordinance Amending Chapter 7.69 of the Santa Cruz County Code Relating To Installation Of Conservation Devices; and

2) Direct Planning Staff to bring the Ordinance Amending Chapter 7.69 to your Board for consideration on May 21, 2002; and

3) Direct the Water Resource Manager to provide a Progress Report on Water Resources Management which will include proposed amendments to the Landscaping and Individual Water Systems Ordinance on or before October 22, 2002.

Sincerely,

ALVIN D. JAMES
Planning Director

RECOMMENDED

SUSAN A. MAURIELLO
County Administrative Officer

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cc: County Counsel
City of Santa Cruz Water Department
Interagency Water Resources Working Group
Board of Realtors