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## Water Dedication and Fee-in-Lieu Ordinance Clean-Up

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### Background Information

Since the adoption of the Ordinance No. 2379 on December 21, 2021, City staff have discovered the need for clarifications and minor modifications to the water dedication and fee-in-lieu process to ensure consistency and clarity.

Goals of the Ordinance Presented at the City Council Study Session on December 13, 2022, are presented in the following slides

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### Ordinance Clean-Up Goals

- ▣ Allow for flexibility for small developments to pay fee-in-lieu due to the inability to purchase small amount of raw water
- ▣ Protect the City's raw water resources into the future
- ▣ Account for inflation in the cost of raw water resources
- ▣ Allow for innovation and sustainable practices by reducing water dedication requirements for implementing water conservation measures
- ▣ Provide clarity by creating an Administrative Policy to address the content of the Water Resource Report, administration of water conservation measure implementation and the water dedication/fee-in-lieu payment process
- ▣ Provide clarification on the timing of water dedication and payment of fee-in-lieu

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### Staff Recommendation

City Staff recommend that the proposed ordinance be adopted by City Council to ensure the City's water resources are secured for the existing and future residents of the City of Brighton.

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### Questions and Discussion?

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