



Public Works Commission

## INFORMATION CALENDAR

December 11, 2007

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council  
 From: Public Works Commission  
 Submitted by: Jeffrey Egeberg, Secretary, Public Works Commission  
 Subject: Watershed Resources Specialist

### INTRODUCTION

At its meeting of October 9, 2007, the Council referred the approval of the Watershed Resources Specialist job classification to the Public Works Commission for review and comment regarding details of the classification requirements and level. The Commission understood from discussion at the Council meeting that the referral was primarily with respect to whether the position should be filled by an engineer.

### CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

At its meeting on September 12, 2007, the Personnel Board recommended that Council approve the subject job classification as prepared by staff.

### BACKGROUND

In 2006 the Creeks Task Force recommended the creation of a new staff position to serve as a Watershed Coordinator. Also at that time, The Public Works Commission recommended that the position be located in the Engineering Division of the Public Works Department.

### POSSIBLE FUTURE ACTION

In its meeting on November 1, 2007, the Public Works Commission took up the recent Council referral and held considerable discussion on the matter. At conclusion, the Commission supported the job classification as drafted (with a vote of 4 in favor, 2 opposed, 1 abstention, with 2 Leaves of Absence). However, whereas the classification allows for an engineering background among others, the Commission further indicated that it felt strongly that engineering experience is highly desirable.

### FISCAL IMPACTS OF POSSIBLE FUTURE ACTION

There are no fiscal impacts of this action.

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