

Meeting Date: January 30, 2019

Staff Contact: Frank Roth, Senior Policy Manager

TITLE: C-19-1 - Reappointment to the Technical Customer Advisory

Committee

ACTION: Recommend Approval

SUMMARY:

The Technical Customer Advisory Committee (TCAC) was established in 2006 to assist in and facilitate public review and discussion of Water Authority policies, plans and programs. The TCAC was established to provide a professional/ technical group of volunteer individuals who represent the five core functional areas of operating a water and wastewater utility. This group is intended to provide outside expertise in best practices and private sector applications for continuous business improvement.

Andrew Bernard has completed his first term and is eligible to be reappointed to a second two-year term. Staff recommends that Mr. Bernard continue to serve on the TCAC. Below is a summary of his professional and academic background.

Andrew Bernard

Andrew Bernard is a landscape architect at Sites Southwest LLC. He has a Masters degree in Landscape Architecture from the University of New Mexico and a Bachelors degree in Environmental Studies from Virginia Commonwealth University. Prior to his career in landscape architecture, he spent 10 years in the field of hydrology with the U.S. Geological Survey. His passion for water conservation, innovative green infrastructure, place-making and environmentally sensitive design has influenced his path to landscape architecture. He feels that it is a critical field in resolving many of our most pressing environmental and social issues. He has always maintained an interest in water infrastructures and management practices in arid regions worldwide. He has also traveled abroad to other arid cities to research the practices they observe around water conservation and infrastructure development in hopes of better understanding their values around water. He has received numerous honors and awards in his field of work and is involved in community service and public engagement.

CURRENT MEMBERS:

Member	Category	Term Expiration
Ege Richardson	Water System Engineering	6/2019
Michael Hightower	Water Resource Planning	6/2019
Dave Hill	Financial/Business Management	4/2020
Scott Verhines	Water System Engineering	4/2020
Janie Chermak	Resource Economics	12/2020
Andrew Bernard	Landscape Architecture	1/2021
Melissa Armijo	Customer Service / Stakeholder Engagement	5/2019
Amy Miller	Non-profit Water Management Advocacy/Education	8/2019
Ron Schwarzwalder	Water System Operations	6/2020

FISCAL IMPACT:

None