

RESOLUTION NO. 205552 MAY 10 1972

WHEREAS, The City of San Diego and neighboring communities have obligated themselves to a total investment of over \$100 million in the San Diego Metropolitan Sewerage System, in order to protect the waters of the State of California from domestic and industrial waste pollution; and

WHEREAS, The City of San Diego has for ten years operated the most extensive monitoring program on the condition of coastal waters ever carried out along any comparable stretch of coastline; and

WHEREAS, said monitoring program has not demonstrated that the San Diego Metropolitan Sewerage System treatment and effluent dispersal works has had, or is likely to have, any detrimental effect on the coastal waters, on the ocean bottom, on the flora and fauna found therein, or on any of the beneficial uses enumerated therefor; and

WHEREAS, The State of California, through its Water Resources Control Board, is considering the adoption of a Water Quality Control Plan for the Ocean Waters of California; and

WHEREAS, said Plan in its present draft form contains an excellent set of statements describing the beneficial uses to be protected along the Pacific Coast of California; and

WHEREAS, said Plan in its present draft form contains a chapter setting forth specific Minimum Requirements for Effluent Quality; and

WHEREAS, said Minimum Requirements for Effluent Quality include many restrictions for which there is at present no well-defined rational basis nor any scientific evidence delineating cause and effect; and

WHEREAS, the implementation of some of said restrictions will require the expenditure of vast sums of public monies and may cause as yet unknown damage to the total environment in the creation of new pollutants in the land and air environment; and

WHEREAS, the five major dischargers of municipal wastes into the Southern California coastal waters have sponsored and are sponsoring an objective, in-depth study of man's effects on the ocean, including the discharge of treated liquid wastes, as well as natural phenomena, called the Southern California Coastal Water Research Project; and

WHEREAS, said study has already clarified several obscure conditions in the coastal waters and has pointed up many areas which are of great importance but which are poorly understood without further investigation; and

WHEREAS, said study is aimed at finding meaningful answers to these unknown and poorly understood conditions in the ocean without which no rational improvement policies can be evaluated or implemented; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, as follows:

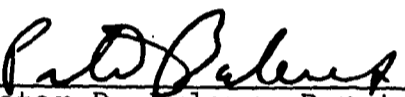
1. That the pending Water Quality Control Plan for the Ocean Waters of California should set forth in the strongest

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terms the desires of the people of California to protect their heritage of clean waters, including the Pacific Ocean.

2. That specific degrees of treatment or restrictions concerning specific waste water constituents or conditions should be made only upon sound scientific findings, and the cost of removal of such constituents should be equated with the overall benefits to society.

APPROVED: JOHN W. WITT, City Attorney

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Peter D. Bulens, Deputy

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AUTHENTICATED BY:

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