

King County

Meeting Minutes

Regional Water Quality Committee

Councilmembers: Claudia Balducci, Chair Reagan Dunn Alternate:

Sound Cities Association: Vice Chair, Laura Mork, Shoreline; Conrad Lee, Bellevue; Jessica Rossman, Medina; Sarah Moore, Burien

Alternates: Penny Sweet, Kirkland; Yolanda Trout Manuel, Auburn

Sewer/Water Districts: Chuck Clarke, Woodinville Water District; Lloyd Warren, Sammamish Plateau Water District Alternate: Ryika Hooshangi, Sammamish Plateau Water

City of Seattle: Joy Hollingsworth, Robert Kettle Alternate: Rob Saka

Lead Staff: Jenny Giambattista (206-477-0879) Committee Clerk: Marka Steadman (206-477-0887)

3:00 PM

Wednesday, April 2, 2025

Hybrid Meeting

DRAFT MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Chair Balducci called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: 12 - Balducci, Clarke, Dunn, Lee, Mork, Moore, Warren, Hollingsworth, Kettle, Sweet, Hooshangi and Trout-Manuel

Excused: 1 - Rossman

3. <u>Approval of Minutes</u>

Commissioner Warren moved approval of the March 5, 2025, meeting minutes. There being no objections, the minutes were approved.

4. <u>Chair's Report</u>

Chair Balducci thanked the Wastewater Treatment Division for hosting the tour at the Georgetown Wet Weather facility, noted the upcoming West Point tour on May 30th and provided an overview of the meeting topics.

5. <u>MWPAAC Report</u>

John McClellan, Chair, MWPAAC, provided an overview of the MWPAAC letter to the County Executive regarding proposed sewer rates.

6. <u>Wastewater Treatment Division (WTD) Report</u>

Kamuron Gurol, Director, Wastewater Treatment Division, expressed appreciation to the RWQC and MWPAAC for their input and engagement regarding sewer rates, commented on work to increase transparency, a deep dive cost estimating session on the Mouth of the Duwamish project and an extra session on the sewer rate development process, WTD's presentation today, the status of work on motions, impacts of the rate forecast, efforts to improve internal processes, bills in the state legislature that are being monitored, a 12-month study on PFAS, developments on the nutrients front, RWSP work towards clean water, approval of the consent decree for the Lower Duwamish cleanup, staffing changes and answered questions from the members.

Briefing

7. Briefing No. 2025-B0041

Wastewater Treatment Division's 2026 Sewer Rate and Capacity Charge Recommendations and Status Update on Long-Term Rate Forecast Motion 16449

Chair Balducci provided introductory comments. Jenny Giambattista, Council staff, briefed the committee and answered questions from the members. Kamuron Gurol, Director, Wastewater Treatment Division; Courtney Black, Financial Services Manager, Wastewater Treatment Division; Crystal Fleet, Capital Program Manager, WTD; and Stan Hummel, Unit Manager, CSO Delivery Unit; provided a PowerPoint presentation and answered questions from the members.

This matter was Presented

8. Briefing No. 2025-B0042

Regional Wastewater Services Plan: Briefing on Emerging Options for the Vision for Clean Water

This matter was Deferred

9. Briefing No. 2025-B0005

Discussion of 2025 Regional Water Quality Committee Work Program

Chair Balducci commented on additions and changes to the committee's work program.

This matter was Deferred

Other Business

There was no further business to come before the committee.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:14 p.m.

Approved this _____ day of _____

Clerk's Signature