



# King County

1200 King County  
Courthouse  
516 Third Avenue  
Seattle, WA 98104

## Meeting Minutes Regional Water Quality Committee

### *Councilmembers:*

*Kathy Lambert, Chair*

*Claudia Balducci, Reagan Dunn*

*Sound Cities Association: Penny Sweet, Kirkland, Vice Chair;  
Leanne Guier, Pacific; Conrad Lee, Bellevue; Benson Wong,  
Mercer Island;*

*Alternates: Zandria Michaud, Kent; Chris Stearns, Auburn*

*Sewer Districts: Pam Carter, Tom Harman*

*Alternate: Chuck Clarke*

*City of Seattle: Lisa Herbold, Alex Pedersen*

*Alternate: Kshama Sawant*

*Lead Staff: Mike Reed (206-477-0888)*

*Committee Clerk: Sharon Daly (206-477-0870)*

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3:00 PM

Wednesday, February 3, 2021

Virtual Meeting

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1. **Call to Order**

*Chair Lambert called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m.*

2. **Roll Call**

**Present:** 14 - Ms. Balducci, Ms. Carter, Mr. Dunn, Ms. Guier, Ms. Herbold, Mr. Harman, Ms. Lambert, Mr. Pedersen, Ms. Sweet, Mr. Wong, Mr. Lee, Ms. Michaud, Mr. Stearns and Mr. Clarke

3. **Approval of Minutes**

*Vice Chair Sweet moved approval of the minutes of the December 9, 2020 meeting. Seeing no objections, the minutes were approved.*

4. **Chair's Report**

*Chair Lambert welcomed everyone to the meeting, and introduced new member, Auburn City Councilmember Chris Stearns. She commented on the January 13th emergency bypass discharge at the West Point plant. She then turned the meeting over to Vice Chair Sweet who conducted the selection of the committee vice chair for this year. Mayor Guier moved the nomination of Mayor Sweet to continue as the 2021 Vice Chair of the committee. The motion passed unanimously.*

**5. Metropolitan Water Pollution Abatement Advisory Committee Report**

*Pam Carter, Chair, Metropolitan Water Pollution Abatement Advisory Committee (MWPAACC), reported that WTD has provided various presentations to MWPAAC since the last RWQC meeting. She announced the results of elections at their general meeting in January, and that they discussed their 2021 work plan at that meeting. MWPAAC's Executive Board had their annual retreat last month.*

**6. Wastewater Treatment Division Report**

*Mark Isaacson, Director, Wastewater Treatment Division (WTD), commented on the clean water plan and the broader clean water healthy habitat initiative. He noted that the comment period is now open on the draft nutrient removal permit. The division is planning five workshops and four technical workshops on the clean water plan. He provided additional details about the January 13, 2021 significant storm event and its effect on the West Point plant. The Department of Ecology has issued an administrative order for WTD to work with Seattle City Light regarding improvements that are needed to the power supply.*

**Discussion Only****7. [RWQC Resolution No. RWQC2021-01](#)**

A RESOLUTION concerning the regional water quality committee work program.

*Chair Lambert provided introductory remarks. Mike Reed, Committee Staff, briefed the committee. Discussion ensued among the members.*

**Briefing****8. [Briefing No. 2021-B0014](#)**

Treatment Plant Flows and Loadings Study

*Mike Reed, Committee Staff, briefed the committee. Tiffany Knapp, P.E., MPA, Treatment Planning Program Manager, WTD, briefed the committee via a PowerPoint presentation, and answered questions from the members.*

**This matter was Presented**

9. [Briefing No. 2021-B0015](#)

COVID Sewer Surveillance

*Mike Reed, Committee Staff, briefed the committee. Rebecca Singer, Resource Recovery Section Manager, WTD, briefed the committee via a PowerPoint presentation and answered questions from the members.*

**This matter was Presented**

## **Other Business**

*There was no other business to come before the committee.*

## **Adjournment**

*The meeting was adjourned at 5:02 p.m.*

Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

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Clerk's Signature