



King County

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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)

3:00 PM

Wednesday, February 3, 2021

Virtual Meeting

DRAFT MINUTES

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 _____

Clerk's Signature