



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, March 3, 2021

Virtual Meeting

DRAFT MINUTES

1. **Call to Order**

Chair Lambert called the meeting to order at 3:02 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**

Mayor Sweet moved approval of the minutes of the February 3, 2021 meeting. Seeing no objections, the minutes were approved.

4. **Chair's Report**

Chair Lambert provided an update on the emergency bypass event of the West Point Treatment Plant. She also reported on the supplemental budget request in response to the Department of Ecology Administrative Order.

5. **Metropolitan Water Pollution Abatement Advisory (MWPAAC) Committee Report**

Pam Carter, Chair, Metropolitan Water Pollution Abatement Advisory Committee (MWPAAC), reported on the February MWPAAC general meeting and four of its subcommittee meetings. She also noted that MWPAAC is looking forward to today's presentations because it has great interest and involvement in the topics, and follows them closely.

6. **Wastewater Treatment Division Report**

Mark Isaacson, Director, Wastewater Treatment Division (WTD), reported that the Executive has issued an emergency declaration regarding the West Point Treatment Plant event and has transmitted a supplemental appropriation. He also provided information on electrical issues at the plant and the plan to provide a reliable power source. And he addressed the impacts, due to the COVID crisis, that a rate increase would have on the community.

Discussion and Possible Action

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

A RESOLUTION concerning the regional water quality committee work program.

Mike Reed, Committee Staff, briefed the committee and answered questions from the members.

Due to the design of the legislative tracking software used to produce the proceedings, the vote on this item is misreported. The correct vote is:

*Votes Yes: 12 - Ms. Balducci, Ms. Carter, Ms. Guier, Mr. Dunn, Ms. Herbold, Mr. Harman, Mr. Pedersen, Ms. Lambert, Ms. Sweet, Mr. Wong and Mr. Lee
No: 0*

A motion was made by Mayor Wong that this RWQC Resolution be Passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 11.5 - Ms. Balducci, Ms. Carter, Ms. Guier, Mr. Dunn, Ms. Herbold, Mr. Harman, Mr. Pedersen, Ms. Lambert, Ms. Sweet, Mr. Wong and Mr. Lee

Excused: 3 - Ms. Michaud, Mr. Stearns and Mr. Clarke

Briefing

8. [Briefing No. 2021-B0031](#)

Sewer Rate Schedule and Process; Asset Management as a Selected Rate Driver

Mike Reed, Committe Staff, briefed the committee. Hiedi Popochock, Financial Services Manager, WTD, Courtney Black, Rates, Capital and Debt Management Supervisor, WTD, and Bruce Kessler, Deputy Director, WTD, briefed the committee via a PowerPoint presentation and answered questions from the members.

This matter was Presented

9. [Briefing No. 2021-B0032](#)

Clean Water Plan Workshop

Tiffany Knapp, Clean Water Plan Project Manager, WTD, Steve Tolzman, Clean Water Plan Project Manager, WTD, and Elizabeth Lowell, Business Systems Analyst and Project Manager, HDR, 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 5:39 p.m.

Approved this _____ day of _____

Clerk's Signature