



King County

1200 King County
Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Meeting Minutes Regional Water Quality Committee

Councilmembers:

Claudia Balducci, Chair
Reagan Dunn, Dave Upthegrove
Alternate:

Sound Cities Association: Tim Harris, Carnation; Conrad Lee, Bellevue;
Laura Mork, Shoreline; Penny Sweet, Kirkland

Alternates: James Jeyaraj, Auburn; Jessica Rossman, Medina

Sewer/Water Districts: Chuck Clarke, Woodinville Water District; Lloyd Warren, Sammamish Plateau Water District, Vice Chair

Alternate: Ryika Hooshangi, Sammamish Plateau Water

City of Seattle: Alex Pedersen, Kshama Sawant
Alternate: Tammy Morales

Lead Staff: Jenny Giambattista (206-477-0879)
Committee Clerk: Blake Wells (206-263-1617)

3:00 PM

Wednesday, February 1, 2023

Hybrid Meeting

1. **Call to Order**

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Chair Balducci called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

2. **Roll Call**

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Present: 12 - Balducci, Dunn, Harris, Lee, Mork, Pedersen, Sweet, Upthegrove, Warren, Jeyaraj, Rossman and Hooshangi

Excused: 2 - Clarke and Sawant

3. **Approval of Minutes**

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Commissioner Warren moved approval of the September 7, 2022 meeting minutes. There being no objections, the minutes were adopted.

4. **Introductory Comments - Chair Balducci**

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Chair Balducci provided introductory comments in regard to her goals and perspectives as the new Regional Water Quality Committee Chair.

5. Chair's Report[play video](#)

Chair Balducci opened the floor for the election of a vice chair. Mayor Sweet nominated Commissioner Warren as Vice Chair of the Regional Water Quality Committee. There being no objections, the motion was approved.

6. Metropolitan Water Pollution Abatement Advisory Committee (MWPAAC) Report[play video](#)

John McClellan, Chair, MWPAAC, provided updates regarding the 2022 general meeting, where policy and practice changes were discussed, and a vice chair was elected.

7. Wastewater Treatment Division (WTD) Report[play video](#)

Kamuron Gurol, Director, Wastewater Treatment Division, provided updates on the 2022 General Meeting, pending legislation of interest to the Division, prospective rate increases, the status of the Division's systems, saltwater that entered the system and was removed, the Division's work with local agencies in the coming weeks, made remarks on his report for this month, and answered questions from the members.

Briefing[play video](#)**8. Briefing No. 2023-B0006**

Implications of Emerging PFAS Regulatory Direction

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Mike Reed, Council staff, briefed the committee.

Erika Kinno, Resource Recovery Research and Policy Project Manager, Wastewater Treatment Division, Department of Natural Resources and Parks, briefed the committee via PowerPoint presentation and answered questions from the members.

Chair Balducci requested that future reports from the Wastewater Treatment Division include policy options.

This matter was Presented

Discussion Only

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9. [Proposed Motion No. 2023-0034](#)

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of the report on toxics in King County wastewater effluent, evaluating the presence of toxics in the effluent of treatment plants, as described in the 2021-2022 Biennial Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 19210, Section 112, Proviso P4.

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Chair Balducci presented remarks prepared by Councilmember Kohl Welles, who sponsored the motion but was unable to be in attendance at the meeting.

Jenifer McIntyre, Washington State University School of the Environment; C. Andrew James, University of Washington Tacoma Center for Urban Waters; and James Meador, NOAA Fisheries, Northwest Fisheries Science Center; briefed the committee via PowerPoint presentation and answered questions from the members.

This matter was Deferred

Other Business

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There was no other business to come before the committee.

Adjournment

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The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Approved this _____ day of _____

Clerk's Signature