



King County

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Courthouse
516 Third Avenue
Seattle, WA 98104

Meeting Minutes

Regional Water Quality Committee

Councilmembers: Larry Phillips, Chair; Reagan Dunn, Larry Gossett

Suburban Cities Association: Don Davidson, Vice Chair, Bellevue; Craig Goodwin, Black Diamond; Doris McConnell, Shoreline; Bill Peloza, Auburn; Alternates: Elizabeth Albertson, Kent; John Wright, Lake Forest Park

*Sewer Districts: Walter Canter, Bill Tracy
Alternate: Arnold H. Lind*

*City of Seattle: Jean Godden, Sally Bagshaw
Alternate: Richard Conlin*

*Staff: Beth Mountsier, Lead Staff (206-296-0319)
Janice Mansfield, Committee Assistant (206-296-1683)*

3:00 PM

Wednesday, October 3, 2012

Room 1001

Pursuant to K.C.C. 1.24.035 A. and F., this Regional Water Quality Committee meeting is also noticed as a meeting of the Metropolitan King County Council, whose agenda is limited to the committee business. In this meeting only the rules and procedures applicable to committees apply and not those applicable to full council meetings.

1. **Call to Order**

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Chair Phillips called the meeting to order at 3:07 p.m.

2. **Roll Call**

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Present: 9 - Mr. Phillips, Mr. Dunn, Mr. Gossett, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Peloza, Mr. B. Tracy, Mr. Canter, Ms. McConnell and Mr. Goodwin

Excused: 2 - Ms. Godden and Ms. Bagshaw

3. **Approval of Minutes**

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Councilmember Davidson moved approval of the August 1, 2012 meeting minutes. The minutes were approved as presented.

4. Chair's Report

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Chair Phillips welcomed the members back from the summer break. He noted that the Vice-Chair had requested that the committee book-mark a work item for the RWQC to provide direction to the Wastewater Treatment staff regarding the water quality assessment and monitoring study. Vice-Chair Davidson offered additional remarks.

5. Metropolitan Water Pollution Abatement Advisory Committee (MWPAAC)

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Scott Thomasson, Chair, MWPAAC, offered remarks and answered questions from the members on acceptance of the report on the policy recommendations for implementation of capital projects, the work plan for the Regional Wastewater Services Plan Update, and the legislation for financial policies regarding reserves and short term debt. Beth Mountsier, Council Staff, answered questions from the members.

6. Public Comment

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No one appeared before the committee to offer public comment.

Discussion and Possible Action**7. Proposed Motion No. 2012-0406**

A MOTION approving the proposed work plan for review and update of the Regional Wastewater Services Plan, in response to 2012 Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 17232, Section 100, Proviso P1.

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Sponsors: Mr. Phillips

Chair Phillips offered introductory remarks. Beth Mountsier, Council Staff, briefed the committee and answered questions from the members.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Davidson that this Motion be Recommended Do Pass. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Mr. Phillips, Mr. Gossett, Mr. Davidson, Mr. Pelozza, Mr. B. Tracy, Mr. Canter, Ms. McConnell and Mr. Goodwin

Excused: 3 - Mr. Dunn, Ms. Godden and Ms. Bagshaw

8. Proposed Motion No. 2012-0217

A MOTION acknowledging receipt of a report in accordance with the 2012 Budget Ordinance, Ordinance 17232, Section 116, Proviso P1.

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Sponsors: Mr. Phillips

Beth Mountsier, Council Staff, briefed the committee and answered questions from the members. The committee discussed whether acceptance of the report gave tacit approval of the recommendations in the report. Chair Phillips and Ms. Mountsier answered that acceptance of a report did not mean approval of the report but just acknowledgement that the obligation of submitting the report was met. Councilmember Pelozo asked that the following statement be reflected in the record, "Proposed Motion 2012-0217 acknowledges 'receipt of the report', but the policy recommendations are not intended to be approved, adopted, nor to be codified or incorporated into the Regional Wastewater Services Plan. The council had requested the report to understand the context of capital planning and policy recommendations as they move through the next two decades of decision-making and budgeting for capital projects." Grover Cleveland, Business Development Manager, Natural Resources and Parks, answered questions from the members. Councilmember Davidson moved the motion and Council Pelozo seconded the motion. After discussion from the members, Councilmember Davidson withdrew the motion.

This matter was Deferred

Briefing

9. [Briefing No. 2012-B0159](#)

Legislation for Financial Policies regarding Reserves and Short Term Debt

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Chair Phillips offered opening remarks. Beth Mountsier, Council Staff, briefed the committee. Scott Thomasson, MWPAAC Chair, answered questions from the members regarding MWPAAC's concurrence on the financial policy recommendations.

This matter was Presented

10. [Briefing No. 2012-B0160](#)

Combined Sewer Overflow Control Program Audit Report

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Chair Phillips offered opening remarks. Justin Anderson, Sr. Management Auditor, King County Auditor's Office, and Bob Thomas, Sr. Principal Management Auditor, King County Auditor's Office, briefed the committee and answered questions from the members during a PowerPoint presentation. Pam Alardo, Division Director, Wastewater Treatment Division, offered remarks and answered questions from the members.

This matter was Presented

Other Business

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There was no further business to come before the committee.

Adjournment

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The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Approved this _____ day of _____.

Clerk's Signature