



# Meeting Minutes - Draft

## Utility Advisory Committee

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**Thursday, June 5, 2025**

**5:30 PM**

**City Hall, Room 207**

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### 1.A ROLL CALL

- Present:** 6 - Chair Kristin Lamson, Vice Chair Melissa Kover, Committee member Dani Clark, Committee member Ben Gossett, Committee member Scott Hancock and Committee member Kathryn Walton-Elliott
- Absent:** 2 - Committee member Dennis Bloom and Committee member Donald Krug

### 1. B. STAFF PRESENT

Water Resources Director and Staff Liaison Jesse Barham  
Drinking Water Utility Director Mike Vessey  
Housing Division Program Manager Jacinda Steltjes  
Public Works Administrative Specialist Lindsay Walker

### 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**The agenda was approved.**

### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[25-0507](#) Approval of UAC May 5, 2025 Meeting Minutes

**The minutes were approved.**

### 4. PUBLIC COMMENT - No public comment

### 5. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM UAC AND STAFF (6:00 - 6:15 pm)

No announcements from UAC members.

Water Resources Director Barham provided the following updates:

Meeting of the Community Livability and Public Safety Committee (CLPS) and the Advisory Committee Chairs and Vice Chairs is June 25th at 5:30 p.m.

As 2026 budget preparations begin, the City is imposing spending/travel/hiring restrictions across the organization as a precaution.

The Storm and Surface Water Utility received a one-year extension on the Enhanced

Street Sweeping Water Quality Grant. The grant extension will continue to fund an operator, associated maintenance of the City's second sweeper and planning staff time.

City staff held Stormwater Week at all Olympia School District middle schools.

No UAC meetings July and August. The next UAC meeting is September 4th.  
Business item: 2026 Utility Budgets, Finances and Capital Facilities Plan.

## **6. BUSINESS ITEMS**

[25-0474](#) Update on Affordable Housing Programs Supported with Utility Revenues

The UAC asked some clarifying questions and held a discussion with staff. The UAC thanked staff for the briefing.

**Information only. No action requested.**

[25-0503](#) Drinking Water Utility Seismic Reservoirs Upgrades

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## **7. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Lamson adjourned the meeting at 7:03 p.m.