



Meeting Minutes - Draft

Utility Advisory Committee

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Thursday, March 6, 2025

5:30 PM

City Hall, Room 207

1. CALL TO ORDER

Acting Chair Bloom called the meeting to order and read the Tribal Acknowledgment.

1.A ROLL CALL

Present: 4 - Committee member Dennis Bloom, Committee member Dani Clark, Committee member Donald Krug and Committee member Kathryn Walton-Elliott

Absent: 3 - Chair Kristin Lamson, Vice Chair Melissa Kover and Committee member Arland Schneider

1.B. STAFF PRESENT

Water Resources Director and Staff Liaison Jesse Barham
Waste ReSources Director Gary Franks
Budget and Finance Analyst Casey McGovern
Stormwater Associate Planner Susan McCleary
Senior Storm and Surface Water Program Specialist Kane Osstifin
Public Works Administrative Specialist Lindsay Walker

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[25-0181](#) Approval of February 6, 2025 UAC Meeting Minutes

The minutes were approved.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT - None

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM STAFF

Water Resources Director Barham provided the following updates:

- City Council will recognize outgoing committee member Schneider at the council meeting on Tuesday March 25th at 6:00 p.m.

- Chair Lamson will attend interviews for UAC applicants at the March 12 meeting of the Community Livability and Public Safety (CLPS).
- City Council adopted updated LOTT Clean Water Alliance Pretreatment regulations this week.
- The City reviewed and submitted comments to the Washington State Department of Enterprise Services (DES) for the Capital Lake/Deschutes Estuary 30% plans.
- The City has an active stormwater grant project to install primary treatment at the base of Brawne Avenue NW.
- The City is on the funding award list for a low impact development (LID) stormwater project on Rogers Street NW for 2026. Funding is dependent on the State Capital Budget.
- The City is also on the funding award list for a study to evaluate the separation of the combined storm/sewer system downtown as apart of the sea level rise resilience strategy.
- The City made it through the 2024-2025 high tide season with no flooding impacts to downtown.
- Completed sea level rise-related groundwater study.
- Reminder that the next UAC meeting is scheduled for April 10 (2nd Thursday instead of the 1st Thursday).

Waste ReSources Director Franks informed the UAC that Thurston County, through the Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC), is continuing it's review of their tipping rates for garbage and organics.

6. BUSINESS ITEMS

[25-0201](#) Utilities Financial Update: 2024 Year-End

Budget and Finance Analyst McGovern provided the briefing. UAC members asked some clarifying questions and thanked staff for providing the information.

The information was provided.

[25-0187](#) Annual Stormwater Management Program Plan Review

Stormwater Associate Planner McCleary provided the briefing. UAC members asked questions and had a discussion with staff. The UAC thanked staff for providing the briefing.

The information was provided.

[25-0202](#) Finalize the Utility Advisory Committee Work Plan

Committee member Krug moved, seconded by Committee member Walton-Elliott, to approve the 2025-2026 UAC Work Plan and forward it to the Community Livability and Public Safety Committee for consideration and recommendation to City Council for final approval. Motion carried unanimously.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Acting Chair Bloom adjourned the meeting at 7:02 p.m.