



Meeting Minutes - Final

Utility Advisory Committee

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Thursday, April 2, 2026

5:30 PM

City Hall, Room 207

1.A. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Kover called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

1.B. ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Committee member Kristin Lamson, Chair Melissa Kover, Committee member Dennis Bloom, Vice Chair Ben Gossett, Committee member Donald Krug, Committee member Audrey Perry and Committee member Kathryn Walton-Elliott

Absent: 2 - Committee member Dani Clark and Committee member Scott Hancock

1.C. STAFF PRESENT

Water Resources Director/UAC Staff Liaison Gary Franks
Water Resources Engineering and Planning Supervisor Susan Clark
Drinking Water Utility Director Mike Vessey
Administrative Specialist Lindsay Walker

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[26-0246](#) Approval of March 5, 2026 UAC Meeting Minutes

The minutes were approved.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT - No public comment

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM UAC AND STAFF

UAC members and staff welcomed new UAC member Audrey Perry.

Staff will email a survey to gather feedback from Advisory body members. The survey seeks feedback on a consultant's initial recommendations regarding the structure, roles, and effectiveness of City advisory bodies.

The Advisory Body Chairs will meet with City staff regarding the consultant's recommendations on Thursday, May 7 from 6:00-8:00 p.m., in City Hall Council Chambers. Due to this scheduling conflict, the UAC meeting has been rescheduled to Wednesday, May 6. The meeting location will be the Maintenance Center (1401 Eastside Street SE).

6. BUSINESS ITEM

[26-0245](#) Financial Rate Study (wet utilities)

Susan Clark provided an overview of the utility rate study. UAC members asked clarifying questions and engaged in discussion. The Committee identified key areas of focus they would like emphasized in the study, and staff noted this feedback.

Briefing Only

7. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Kover adjourned the meeting at 6:46 pm.