



## CITIZENS' WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CWAC)

Wednesday, January 8, 2020, 7:00 a.m.  
Director's Conference Room  
Tucson Water, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
310 W. Alameda Street, Tucson, Arizona

### Legal Action Report and Meeting Minutes

#### 1. Roll Call:

CWAC Chair Mark Murphy called the meeting to order at 7:03 a.m. Those present and absent were:

##### Present:

Jean McLain, Chair	Representative, City Manager
Mark Taylor, Vice Chair	Representative, City Manager
Mark Murphy	Representative, Mayor
Placido dos Santos	Representative, City Manager
Rory Juneman	Representative, City Manager
Steven Washburn	Representative, City Manager
Raye Winch	Representative, City Manager
Ryan Lee** 7:10	Representative, Ward 1
Val Little	Representative, Ward 3
Mark Lewis** 8:50	Representative, Ward 5
Alison Jones	Representative, Ward 6
Timothy Thomure	Tucson Water, Director, Ex-Officio Member
Jackson Jenkins	Pima County Regional Wastewater Reclamation Department Director, Ex-Officio Member

##### Absent:

Michelle Crow	Representative, Ward 2
George White	Representative, Ward 4
Mitch Basefsky	Representative, City Manager
Mark Stratton	Representative, City Manager

##### Tucson Water Staff Present:

Silvia Amparano	Deputy Director
John Kmiec	Deputy Director
Kim Sotomayor	Business Organizational Support Services Administrator
Albert Avila	Water Quality & Operations Administrator
Chris Rodriguez	Customer Service Administrator
Jeff Biggs	Source Water Administrator
Jesus Suarez	Maintenance Administrator
Pat Eisenberg	Maintenance IRIS Administrator
Shawntel Dotson	Solution Center Superintendent
Andrew Greenhill	Intergovernmental Affairs Mgmt. Coordinator
Kelly Wiehe	Project Manager, Public Information
James MacAdam	Water Program Superintendent
Candice Rupprecht	Water Conservation Supervisor

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Jay Nordstrom	Finance Manager
Karen Tenace	Management Coordinator
Fernando Molina	Public Information Officer
Joshua Pischke	Finance Specialist
Jessica Rodriguez	Project Manager
Kris LaFleur	Lead Mgmt. Analyst, Intergovernmental Affairs

### Others Present:

Wally Wilson                      Metro Water

- 2. Announcements** – Member Washburn announced water from Santa Cruz Heritage Project is flowing passed St. Mary's Rd.
- 3. Call to Audience** – There were no audience comments.
- 4. Review of December 4, 2019, Legal Action Report and Meeting Minutes** – Member Taylor moved to approve the Legal Action Report and Minutes. The motion was duly seconded by Member Juneman and passed on a voice vote of 10-0
- 5. Director's Report** – Director Thomure provided updates on the following topics:

**Mayor and Council Items** – January 7, 2020 the Council's requested an update on per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) based on a news article. The update provided to the council is an agenda item and key points will be discussed later in the meeting. PFAS updates will be given quarterly at council study sessions. The Mayor delayed the Green Stormwater Infrastructure (GSI) fund from December 17 to February, based on the newly elected officials. The Mayor wanted to give an opportunity for the new council to review all the elements and open a discussion at study session to provide history on the creation and update the intentions and ensure the current plan has all the necessary components. Expected fee on the bill is May 2020. The rate cycle is in process with Finance Subcommittee and will go to a council meeting in March 2020 with a May adoption.

**Department Updates** – Department vacancies are at 55. Melodee Loyer, Planning and Engineering manager, retired and is currently working at FICO. The retirement provided the utility opportunity move forward with organizational changes and recruitment for a new Chief Engineer. Potable water demand is down 9.6 MGD and Reclaimed Water demand is also down 2.9%. The SHARP facility will be up and running in May 2020 affecting the use of Tucson Waters reclaimed water. Member Taylor inquired about reclaimed credits as revenue. Director Thomure responded the credits hold value in the master plan for future use.

**Other Items** – Article in the news regarding PFAS, Suburban Water Demand and the Drought Contingency Plan (DCP). DCP is plan to provide some certainty of the next six years to get to 2026. Central Arizona Ground Replenishment District (CAGRDR) is a tool Tucson Water used in the past, currently provides Tucson Water a backup, unincorporated areas rely solely on the source for renewable water. Discussion continued. Cost of service and Rate proposals will be presented at the Finance Subcommittee on January and the recommendation will be brought to full CWAC in February. Discussion continued. Discussion turned to the Green Stormwater Infrastructure (GSI) fund and how the item will appear on the bill. Director Thomure and Superintendent James MacAdam offered explanation on inclusion of the fee on the Utility Services Statement.

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\*\* Mark Lewis left 8:50

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### 6. Subcommittee Reports –

**Technical, Planning and Policy Subcommittee (TPP)** – Subcommittee Chair Dos Santos presented the agenda for the upcoming January 9, 2020 meeting which included Sewer Line Warranty of America (SLWA), Glyphosate update, and an update on the Master Plan. The subcommittee will also hold chair elections.

**Finance Subcommittee** – Subcommittee Chair Stratton was absent. The presentation received in December will be presented on the current agenda for the meeting. Upcoming meeting is January 16, 2020 and the agenda item is Cost of Service and Proposed Rates. Meeting scheduled for 3:00 p.m.

**Conservation and Education Subcommittee (C&E)** – Subcommittee Chair Little reported the December meeting was cancelled because Tucson Water Staff attended Colorado River Users Water Association (CRUWA).

**Regional Wastewater Reclamation Advisory Committee (RWRAC) Update** – Member McLain advised the last meeting was held in December. Agenda items and discussion included budget, the Director's Report and the Grease collection program. Ex-Officio Member Jenkins provided a description of the program turning into bio diesel fuel.

### 7. FY 2020 Mid - Year Review – Mr. Jay Nordstrom, Finance Manager presented the review. Items and discussion included:

- a. Revenues
  - i. Budget vs. Actuals
  - ii. Consumption
  - iii. Budget to Actuals
- b. Expenditures
  - i. Budget vs. Actuals
  - ii. Budget to Actuals
- c. Capitals

Director Thomure and Mr. Nordstrom fielded question throughout the presentation

### 8. Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Update – Presented by Tucson Water Director Timothy Thomure. The items presented and discussed were:

- Drinking Water is safe
- Tucson's PFAS Operational Targets
- Tracking in the Region
- TARP/AOP TIA AND AANG
  - Carbon change out
- Next steps
  - Lawsuit
  - DMAFB

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- TARP & AANG
- Private Wells
- Federal Delegation
- PFAS Outreach

**9. One Water 2100 Master Plan Update** - This Item was deferred to February based on time allotment.

**10. Future Meetings / Agenda Items**

**11. Adjournment** – Meeting ended due to lack of quorum at 9:02 a.m.

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