

MEETING NOTES 2050 WATER RESOURCES POLICY PLAN UPDATE ADVISORY GROUP

January 30, 2023

ATTENDANCE

Members Present: Scott Anderson Bryan Bear Andy Brotzler Paul Carpenter Becky Christopher Bryan Dodds Bruce Elder Charles Howley Laura Jester Mark Maloney Russ Matthys Richard McCoy Vanessa Strong Nick Tomczik Bruce Westby

Absent: Phil Belfiori Tim Kelly Jennifer Levitt Paul Moline Pat Shea James Wisker Staff: Kyle Colvin Jen Kostrzewski Sam Paske Shannon Skally Judy Sventek

Guests: Maureen Hoffman Henry McCarthy Lanya Ross Emily Steinweg

WELCOME

Jen Kostrzewski welcomed everyone and reviewed the agenda. Introductions were made. Preferences were gathered via Forms for the format and timing for future meetings. The meeting recording began.

WATER QUALITY WHITE PAPER

Jen Kostrzewski provided an overview of the Water Quality White Paper. The structure of all of the White Papers will be the same so that overlaps and connections can be identified between the papers and topics.

Participants began a Mural exercise with a brief ice-breaker exercise to review Mural skills and gauge the level of energy and general feeling of the group. The participants then shared their overall impressions of the White Paper and participated in an exercise gauging opinions of the relative importance of each of the strategies and actions presented in each White Paper section.

- Water Quality White Paper DRAFT
- Mural Brainstorm

PROTECTING SOURCE WATERS WHITE PAPER

Lanya Ross provided an overview of the Protecting Source Waters White Paper. Since Met Council is not a water supplier, the focus of this White Paper is on the roles we play partnering with other organizations for regional planning, regional funding, technical assistance, research, and property management at Met Council facilities.

Lanya asked the group to focus on the following questions when considering this White Paper:

- Is this what the Council can do best to protect Source Water?
- What stood out as you flipped through the figures?
- What actions have most impact on the quality of water resources and who has most influence on them?

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NEXT STEPS AND ACTION ITEMS

Judy Sventek reviewed the overall timeline for the Water Resource Policy Plan update process. The next meeting will be on March 21st to review the Wastewater Planning and Service Considerations and the Water + Climate Change White Papers. The last meeting is anticipated to be scheduled for May and review of the Rural Issues and Water Availability Use and Access White Papers. White Papers will be sent out for review a minimum of two weeks before each meeting.

Participants were asked if there are any upcoming events or gatherings that would be good forums for outreach for the White Papers to contact Jen Kostrzewski or Judy Sventek.

ASSIGNED TO	ACTION	DEADLINE	PROGRESS
Jen Kostrzewski	Compile Forms survey responses for meeting	February 15	completed
	preferences		
All Advisory	Continue to add feedback to the Mural	February 15	In process
Group Members	Brainstorm		
Shannon Skally	Finalize notes:	February 3	completed
	Circulate for review		
	Post to Teams		
	Send via email		

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

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