



## CITIZENS' WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CWAC)

Wednesday, October 6, 2021, 9:00 a.m.

Virtual Meeting – Microsoft Teams

### Legal Action Report and Meeting Minutes

**1. Call to Order / Opening Statement:**

CWAC Chair Mark Taylor called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**2. Roll Call:**

Those present and absent were:

**Present:**

Mark Taylor, Chair	Representative, City Manager
Ed Hendel	Representative, Mayor
Placido dos Santos	Representative, City Manager
Raye Winch	Representative, City Manager
Mitch Basefsky	Representative, City Manager
Rory Juneman	Representative, City Manager
Steven Washburn	Representative, City Manager
Mark Stratton	Representative, City Manager
Raul Ramirez	Representative, Ward 1
Steve Arnquist	Representative, Ward 2
Val Little	Representative, Ward 3
George White	Representative, Ward 4
Bobby Jaramillo	Representative Ward 5

**Absent:**

Alison Jones, Vice Chair      Representative, Ward 6

- 3. Announcements** – Chair Taylor introduced Bobby Jaramillo as a new CWAC representative for Ward 5. Mr. Jaramillo shared his background. Member Basefsky Central Arizona Project (CAP) advised the October CAP meeting will be held in Tucson at the Omni Resort. The meeting would be hybrid open to the public and live-streamed. Chair Taylor explained the Tier 1 shortage presentation to full CWAC will be moved to November, and thanked Val Little for her CASA reports on the Colorado River. Chair Taylor requested Rory Juneman temporarily take the Vice Chair position for the meeting as Alison Jones is absent.
- 4. Review and approval of September 1, 2021, Legal Action Report and Meeting Minutes** - Member Stratton moved to approve the Legal Action Report & Minutes. Member Juneman duly seconded the motion. Discussion: None. The motion passed on a voice vote of 12 – 0.
- 5. Director's Report** - Deputy Director Silvia Amparano provided a brief update on Mayor and Council proceedings, and the potable & reclaimed water demands for September.

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- a. *Water Demand*
  - i. Reclaim Daily Demand 15.2 MGD
  - ii. Potable Daily Demand 76.1 MGD
- b. *Mayor and Council Updates:*
  - i. *September 28*
    - 1. Water User debt Relief
  - ii. *October 19*
    - 1. Water Service Area Policy Review
    - 2. PFAS quarterly review
    - 3. Differential Rate Phase II Public Hearing

**6. Proposed Commemorative Naming of Tucson Water's Southeast Houghton Area Recharge Project (SHARP)** – James MacAdam provided a brief update on the City of Tucson process for naming a city facility. He shared the project webpage as well as a link to the naming survey.

**7. Differential Water Rates Cost of Service Analysis (COS)** – Chair Taylor introduced the item and shared he intended to provide a memorandum to the Mayor and Council Members and instructed members to ask questions and clarify information as the presentation progressed. He also indicated that the members would be allowed to speak for four minutes in a round table style during open discussion. Kathy Chavez of Pima County was asked to provide an overview of Pima County's position on the policy. Her explanation stated the memorandums from the county speak to the position of county staff and officials.

- a) Galardi Rothstein Group and Raftelis provided a presentation of the COS analysis. Members were provided the opportunity to inquire about the presentation content. Due to time constraints, the presentation was cut short.
- b) Finance subcommittee Chair Steve Washburn shared key takeaways from the September Finance subcommittee meeting, incorporating phase 2 of the COS analysis. Key points were distributed with the CWAC meeting materials. Member Juneman provided his comments on the subcommittee meeting, supporting key points and reminding the committee of the policy-based reasoning. Member Juneman asked about differential rates on top of current rates and considerations for future rates to be added to the discussions.
- c) Open Discussion Chair Taylor provided two-and-a-half minutes for members to add to the discussion in a round table fashion.

No action was taken on this item.

**8. Subcommittee Reports & Membership** – Chair Taylor advised that updates were provided in writing and distributed with meeting materials before the meeting.

**9. Call to Audience** – Audience member Mark Day commented on State Shared Revenue (SSR's) concerns as a government issue at the state level placed on Pima county residents.

**10. Future Meetings / Agenda Items** – Member Hendel requested to add Low Income Assistance Reform before the December 1, 2021, implementation of Differential Water Rates as a future agenda item.

**11. Adjournment** – Meeting ended at 11:01 a.m.