



CITIZENS' WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE
(CWAC)

Wednesday, May 4, 2022, 8:00 a.m.

Virtual Meeting – Microsoft Teams

Legal Action Report and Meeting Minutes

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

CWAC Chair Rory Juneman called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

2) **Roll Call:**

Those present and absent were:

Present:

Rory Juneman, Chair	Representative, City Manager
Alison Jones, Vice Chair	Representative, Ward 6
Ed Hendel	Representative, Mayor
Mark Stratton	Representative, City Manager
Placido dos Santos	Representative, City Manager
Raye Winch	Representative, City Manager
Mitch Basefsky	Representative, City Manager
Steven Washburn	Representative, City Manager
Raul Ramirez	Representative, Ward 1
Lisa Shipek	Representative, Ward 3
Roxanna Valenzuela	Representative, Ward 2
Bobby Jaramillo	Representative Ward 5

Absent:

- 3) **Announcements** – Member Washburn shared information on the Emerald City Collaborative; his daughter Alexis Washburn is working with utilities on the effects of climate change to create business partnerships for sustainable solutions and economic initiatives. Member Basefsky announced the next Central Arizona Project (CAP) meeting would be on Thursday, May 5, 2022. The meeting is open to the public in Phoenix; the policy meeting begins at 9:00 a.m., and the board meeting starts at 10:00 a.m. Chair Juneman recognized this is the last meeting for Mitch Basefsky and Placido Dos Santos and



thanked them for their service to CWAC. The official recognition will come at the next meeting in June.

4) **Review and approval of April 6, 2022, Legal Action Report and Meeting Minutes** - Member Dos Santos moved to approve the Legal Action Report & Meeting Minutes. Member Stratton duly seconded the motion. **Discussion:** None. The motion passed on a roll call vote of 10 – 0.

5) **Director's Report** – Interim Director John Kmiec provided a brief update on Mayor and Council proceedings, and the potable & reclaimed water demands for April.

a) Mayor and Council Updates:

i) April 5:

Approved: Renewed Joint Funding Agreement with USGS for Santa Cruz River Stream Gauge and Subsidence Monitoring

ii) April 19:

Discussed: PFAS Quarterly Report

b) Department Updates Department

i) Vacancies 99

ii) Recruitments 32

iii) Pending New Hires 24

No actions were taken on this item.

6) **City of Tucson Green Stormwater Infrastructure (GSI) Program** – Blue Baldwin, City of Tucson Water Department, Program Manager, led the discussion; those items reviewed and discussed were:

a) GSI rebranding to Storm to Shade

i) Establish a Capital Improvement Program to build GSI within all six wards of the city

ii) Maintain the existing and new GSI infrastructure

b) Capital Process & Prioritization

i) Leveraged funds with current projects

ii) Identify areas of need

iii) obtain council office input

c) Review of revenues and expenditures

d) Update of capital projects to date

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- e) Maintenance program update
- f) Grants

Committee members were able to ask questions and provide feedback. No action was taken on this item.

7) 2021 Conservation Program Annual Report – Candice Rupprecht, City of Tucson Water Department, led the discussion; those items reviewed and discussed were:

- a) Cumulative savings over 13 years
- b) 2021 Milestones
- c) Budget and expenditures
- d) Rebates and incentives by year
- e) Incentive Program
- f) Tucson Water efficiency incentives
- g) Zanjeros: 2021 customer water audits
- h) Community Education & Outreach Programs
- i) Seasonal Water Guide & Water Conservation tools
- j) 2022 priorities

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8) Subcommittee Reports & Membership – Each of the subcommittee chairs provided updates to the full committee on the actions of their subcommittees. No update was provided for Conservation & Education subcommittee. Ms. Jones gave an update on the RWAC meeting.

9) Call to Audience – none

10) Future Meetings / Agenda Items – A list of potential agenda items was provided to the committee. The June agenda will include Water Service Area policy and Legislative updates.

11) Adjournment – Meeting ended at 10:04 a.m.