



## CREEKS, DRAINAGE AND WASTEWATER CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### MEETING NOTES

SMT 4096

October 8, 2008 5:00 – 7:00

#### Attendance:

Present: Jay Stark, Lydia Heard, Steve Ruden, Cheryl Klinker, Douglas Mora, Nancy Malmgren, Suzie Burke, David Reggiero (SWAC)

Absent: Eric Dripps

SPU Staff Present: Craig Omoto, Martha Burke, Renee Burchfield, Jeff Neuner

#### Interim Chair Report Report

Cheryl

Review of prior meeting minutes postponed to next meeting. Review of agenda items needing adjustment due to Julie Hall's absence. Julie Hall will attend in November.

#### Discussion of interrelation of CDWCAC and SWAC Jeff Neuner, SPU and David Ruggiero, SWAC

- Jeff Neuner is SPU Solid Waste manager of Operations and Historic Landfills
- David Ruggiero is a member of the Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC).
- David: RCW requires municipalities to have a Local Solid Waste Advisory Committee which may include industry participants, public interest groups, and citizens. SWAC reviews SPU programs, policies and services to ensure community involvement and SPU responsiveness. SWAC work over the last year has include review of consultant's report, site tours of solid waste, recycling and composting facilities in the city. SWAC membership includes citizens and other non-voting members from the SW industry. SPU presentations have been made on programs, policies and projects of interest to the community. SWAC uses consensus based decision making to provide feedback to policy and SPU staff. SWAC subcommittees may be established to review topics such as rate design. Role is sounding board and advisor.
- A general discussion of SPU's responsibility of the city's waste once it leaves Seattle, and SW projects impact on the drainage around Lake Union, as well as recent changes in waste collection policies and the interrelationship with drainage.
- **Action Items:** CDWCAC to follow up on request to send name and email of CDWCAC liaison to SWAC to David. Martha to clarify DB standards for drainage at the rebuild of North Transfer Station.

#### Overview of Lake Union Basin Letter

Steve

- Steve: Review of the letter with proposed CDWCAC recommendation to include South Lake Union Basin in comprehensive planning and include CDWCAC and ROW in this process and in the development and review of the Lakes & Water Bodies report by SPU.
- Martha: There is a protocol in the CAC Charter for communicating recommendations to the SPU Director. Letters should go to SPU policy liaison for review by SPU.
- **Action Items:** Members to review letter, make comments and send or email to Steve. Martha to check on providing Strategic Plan and core business presentation to CDWCAC.

#### Overview of SPU Drainage & Wastewater Budget Presentation

Craig Omoto

- Craig Omoto is the Senior Economist responsible for the Drainage and Wastewater Rates
- Craig Omoto updated CDWCAC on the status of the City's Proposed Budget. He announce when Public Budget Hearings will be held on 10/8 5:30 p.m. and 10/27 5:30 p.m. He reviewed



SPU's Budget presentation to Council and discussed the components of the proposed 2009 Drainage and Wastewater Capital Improvement Program (CIP) and Operations & Maintenance (O&M) budgets and highlighted the changes. There was a discussion of the Stormwater Facility Credit, who is eligible and how to apply.

- **Action Items:** Craig to follow up on with additional information on the proposed budget increase and provide clarification on NPDES budget and FTE adds. Craig and Martha to follow up on the requirements of the stormwater facility credit.

### **Preliminary Agenda for Next Meeting**

Please confirm these items with Cheryl and Martha **8** days before the meeting

- Julie Hall: SPU's Science Framework and the State of the Waters Report.
- Trish Rhay: Drainage & Wastewater Strategic Plan and Slideshow on Change of Core Business
- Return to Draft Letter re: Lake Union after hearing more about Science Framework & the Strategic Outlook?

### **Handouts**

- 2009-2010 Budget Seattle Public Utilities Council Presentation
- Notice of Public Hearings on the Mayor's 2009-2010 Proposed Budget,
- Steve Ruden's draft letter to Chuck Clarke re: Lake Union Basin