



SPU Water System Advisory Committee (WSAC)

March 19, 2014 Meeting notes
Seattle Municipal Tower, 700 Fifth Avenue

Room 5965

5:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Chair: Kyle Stetler

Vice-Chair: Kelly McCaffrey

Present: Tom Grant, Kelly McCaffrey, Kyle Stetler

Absent: Eric Anderson, Chris Thompson

Staff: Julie Burman, Sheryl Shapiro, Teresa Rayburn, Michael May

5:36 PM Call to Order

1. Regular Business

- Welcome and Introductions
- Approve meeting notes from September and January

Monthly Topics:

2. 2013 Drinking Water Quality Report Draft – Michael May, SPU

- WSAC provided feedback on the draft of the 2013 Water Quality Report
- The Drinking Water Report is mandated by the EPA
- SPU generally does more than the requirement as a tool to deliver information to customers
- This year SPU was allowed to do an electronic version

Other discussion included:

- Focus groups were conducted last fall to find out what people thought of SPU
- Michael May gave some background on communications and how the report is delivered
- Michael May is SPU's social media contact; SPU has a blog, Facebook, YouTube channel and Twitter

3. WSAC 2014 Workplan – Kyle Stetler, WSAC Chair

- In January WSAC discussed potential 2014 agenda items (see notes from January)
- WSAC discussed focusing on the issues that need WSAC's input
- How does the Strategic Business Plan tie in with rate adjustments? SBP will be done so the rate proposal can go to the Mayor's office this summer
- The SBP Customer Review panel is looking at the whole utility, not just Water
- Upcoming joint meeting – drink tap, not bottled water campaign. Meet with the Solid Waste Advisory Committee and listen to a presentation on what other utilities around the country have done; possibility for the Advisory Committees to take this on as an outreach opportunity

Wrap Up and Announcements

- Next meeting is April 16, 2014 from 5:30 to 7:30 pm
- Dave Hilmoie is retiring at the end of May
- Department of Neighborhoods is having an online community building and e-activism event on March 31 from 6 to 8 pm

7:31 PM Meeting Adjourned