



CITY OF
BAINBRIDGE ISLAND

UTILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2018
CITY HALL
280 MADISON AVENUE NORTH
BAINBRIDGE ISLAND, WA 98110

Minutes

Committee Members present: Andy Maron, Jeff Kanter, co-chairs.

Ted Jones, Nancy Nolan, Charlie Averill, Steve Johnson. Absent: Emily Sato

Council Liaison: Rasham Nassar

Also present: Barry Loveless, COBI Director of Public Works; Chris Gonzales of FCS Group; Robert Dashiell.

Called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Jeff Kanter, co-chair.

Minutes: Sept. 12 meeting were approved.

Public Comment: Robert Dashiell commented on two items on the draft CIP. At two locations, the CIP includes proposed drainage work that, he suggested, may not be necessary, or might be done at lower cost. One location is in connection with a bike lane at Head of the Bay, which he indicated is not related to any blockage to the stream. The other location is at Blakely Creek, where other obstructions limit fish access.

Water & Sewer Rate Structure: Chris Gonzales continued the presentation of Water & Sewer Rate Study information, providing more information about the Cost of Service for the sewer utility. In general, the figures indicated that residential users are paying more than their appropriate share of costs, while non-residential users are paying less. There was discussion of phasing in rate changes, with a three-year adjustment period to be considered. There also was interest in seeing the combined impact of water and sewer rates on customers.

Memo regarding Water and Sewer Rate Study: Discussion of the draft memo to Council with recommendations regarding the water and sewer rate study. Consensus was to emphasize the recommendation to update System Participation Fees promptly, as the analysis has been completed and the fees have been too low for many years. This can be done while review of the water and sewer rates is still in progress. Chris will prepare a finished version of the SPF recommendation for the UAC's review Oct. 10, while Andy and Jeff will work on revision of the memo, also for Oct. 10 review.

Capital Improvements Plan: CIP will be going before the City Council soon. It will be scheduled as an agenda item for the Oct. 10 UAC meeting, to allow the UAC to determine if it has recommendations for the Council.

Tour of City Facilities: Discussion of when to schedule a tour of city public works facilities, for the benefit of UAC members and City Council members who are not familiar with the facilities. Two tours tentatively scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 20, and Thursday, Nov. 1. The Thursday tour would begin in mid-afternoon to accommodate participants' work schedules.

Adjournment: 6:50 p.m.

The next UAC meeting is October 10th.



Andrew Maron and Jeff Kanter, Co-Chairs