



CITY OF
BAINBRIDGE ISLAND

ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2018
280 MADISON AVENUE NORTH
BAINBRIDGE ISLAND, WA 98110

MINUTES

Call to Order at 3:06 p.m.

Member Attendees:	Melanie Keenan	Casey Schmidt
	Charlie Kratzer	Steve Saepoff
	Juan Rovalo (arrived at 4:00 p.m.)	

Members Absent: Jason Flowers, Dylan Frazer, Karl Shearer

Council Liaison: Rasham Nassar

COBI Staff: Robbie Sepler

Guests: None

The minutes from the September 20, 2018 meeting were approved.

During the Council Liaison report, there was a discussion of the COBI Water Resources Specialist position and whether it should be eliminated. There was no vote, but all those present spoke in favor of retaining the position.

Robbie Sepler shared a PowerPoint and led a discussion of the OPMA and the Public Records Act. Much of the discussion centered around our ability to edit and revise working documents.

There was a discussion of the three pending Habitat Management Plans (HMP). A sub-committee was formed to complete ETAC's assessment of the HMPs by the middle of November. The sub-committee consists of Casey Schmidt, Juan Rovalo, Karl Shearer, and Steve Saepoff.

The membership status of Steve Saepoff was discussed. Steve is no longer living on Bainbridge Island. However, since his ETAC appointment is not contingent on place of residence, Steve will remain on the committee.

There was a lengthy discussion on the status of the Groundwater Management Plan (GWMP) that included the following topics:

- The necessity of water use estimates by category (e.g. industrial, indoor vs outdoor, commercial vs residential). This was discussed in the context of water use projections that reflect population growth, but not necessarily water use. For instance, high density growth may have lower water use because there are less lawns.
- Some of the significant revisions that Charlie Kratzer added were discussed. This discussion wasn't finished, and ETAC members are advised to send Charlie an e-mail with comments.



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- There was a discussion of a special meeting in early November to vote on the plan. This is due to a concern with the timing of the city's budget process, and the need to include funds for the plan in this budget process.
 - There was a discussion on the necessity of a liaison at the city, to work on and guide consultants on a pending GWMP. Concern was expressed that if the Water Resources Specialist position was terminated there would be nobody to fill that role.

Meeting adjourned about 5:00 PM.



Charlie Kratzer, Chair 11/1/18