

December. 14, 2015 UAC meeting.

Present: Andy Maron, Jim Thrash, Jeff Kanter, Nancy Nolan, Emily Sato, Ted Jones

Also present: Public Works Director Barry Loveless, Public Works Engineer Chris Munter, Councilmember Val Tollefson, Tom Brobst (Puget Sound Energy), Robert Dashiell, Barry Margolese (Amalani LLC), Kara Kammereck, Alena Bennett and Kevin Tice (Carollo Engineers)

1. The meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm.
2. Meeting notes from Dec. 7 approved with technical revisions.
3. Public Comment: Robert Dashiell suggested to the Committee that in his view the Committee was empowered to take up whatever issues it chooses to take up, and suggested that the Committee should consider the question of whether and how the sewer and water utility ratepayers should be directly represented either on the Committee or on the City Council, or both.
4. Representatives of Carollo Engineers provided an executive summary of the COBI Water System Plan, and responded to questions. Operational deficiencies in the water system were highlighted, and a proposed Capital Improvement Plan that would be funded by Water Utility reserves without a need for an increase in water rates for the foreseeable future was highlighted. (At the conclusion of this presentation at 6:05, Carollo representatives and Mr. Margolese left the meeting.)
5. The Committee spent the rest of the meeting discussing drafts to the Comp Plan's Utilities Element. Assignments were made for additional drafting to be presented at the next meeting.
6. Andy will talk to the City Attorney about getting a briefing on franchises, so that the Committee will have better guidance on how to handle the desire for "periodic review" of various utility functions.
7. Adjourn at 6:35 pm. Next meeting is on Jan. 11 at 4:30.

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Andy Maron, Chair Date: