

MINUTES – ENVIRONMENT COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING 05.11.2023

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM, Thursday, May 11th in the Council Chamber with the following in attendance:

Council Members

Jeremy Nutting (Chair)
Vic Pennington (Vice Chair)
Gene Achziger
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City Staff

Michael Matthias – City Manager
Bonnie Wilkins – Chief Administrative Director
Tyler Beekley – Surface Water/Environmental Engineering Mngr.
Scott Wilkins – Harbormaster
Tim George – City Attorney
Matt Hutchins – Assistant City Attorney
Jeff Friend – Finance Director
Taria Keane – City Clerk
Sara Lee – Public Disclosure Analyst
Jodi Grager – Admin. Assistant

AGENDA

1. Approval of the minutes from the 04.13.2023 meeting
2. Public Works Yard Groundwater Remediation Update
3. Metro Electrification Update

MEETING:

1. Unanimous approval of the 04.13.2023 minutes.
2. Surface Water and Environmental Engineering Manager Tyler Beekley reviewed Attachment #2, Public Works Yard Groundwater Remediation Project Update. Manager Beekley responded to questions:
 - Water District #54 facility located SE of the contamination site hasn't shown any indication of leaching pollutants.
 - Eleven out of the fifteen original monitoring wells have been decommissioned.
 - Over the last couple of years, monitoring well #14 no longer shows a decrease in pollutants and has started trending upwards. This is a bit of a mystery and an investigation is ongoing.

The Committee thanked staff for the comprehensive update.

3. City Manager Matthias stated that the City is engaging with Metro to consider locations that may be appropriate for electrical vehicle charging stations. Metro is hoping to support their electrical bus fleet with charging stations along Pacific Highway. WSDOT's Zero-emissions Access Program (ZAP)

grant may be a source for funding a zero-emission carshare pilot program possibly based at the Marina. These are very preliminary conversations. The topic will come back to this committee for a recommendation when additional information is available.

Meeting adjourned at 5:19 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Jodi Grager, Admin Asst