

**Citizens’ Water Advisory Committee (CWAC) Minutes**  
**January 10, 2023, 6:00 p.m.**  
Aspen Room/Microsoft Teams

Members Present: Angie Binder – Chair, Dick Eason - Vice Chair, Jay Campbell, Dave Patterson (Teams), Bill Gondrez, Janet Marlow, Daniel Widrich, Dennis Dechant (Teams), Tom Coker (Teams)

Absent: None

Staff Present: Marshall Brown, Sarah Young, Alex Davis, Greg Baker, Fernando Aranda Rory Franklin, Sherry Scaggiari, Rich Ommert, Chris Hill, Samuel Lanternier, Gail Thrasher, Sonya Gonzalez

Visitors Present: None

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The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

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**1. Elections – 2023 Chair and Vice-Chair**

Angie Bend was nominated for Chair by Dick Eason. All voted aye.  
Dick Eason nominated for Vice-chair by Angie Bender. All voted aye.

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**2. Approval of October 11, 2022, Minutes**

The October 11, 2022, minutes were approved with amendments.

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**3. Introductions/Public Invited to be Heard**

None.

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**4. New/Old Business**

None

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**5. Communications Update**

Greg Baker noted that the Assistant Secretary for the interior was visiting the Binney Water purification facility on Friday, Jan. 13. He also noted that staff would be asking the Water Policy Committee on Jan. 18 to advance a resolution to Study Session declaring Stage I drought, to be effective May 1. Finally, Marshall Brown informed the committee that Jo Ann Giddings has retired from her position as Deputy Director for Water Financial Administration.

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**6. Drainage Reviews Overview**

Richard Ommert, Project Engineer gave a presentation highlighted the roles and function of the Aurora Water Drainage team, which recently moved over from the Public Works Department.

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**7. Drought Surcharge update**

Fernando Aranda, Rate Analyst, presented on a proposed change to the drought surcharge included in the rate ordinance. This change will exempt indoor use from drought surcharges that are included when a Water Availability Stage I or greater is declared by city council.

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**8. Proposed committee restructure**

Marshall Brown, General Manager for Aurora Water, outlined a proposed change to the Citizen's Water Advisory Committee's structure, adding specific powers that would utilize the committee to act as a point for reconsideration by outside proposers of water supply agreements that have been denied by staff, proposed commercial or industrial developers that would exceed engineering standards for water use, extraterritorial water supply agreements denied by staff and provide advice on projected water needs for new annexation agreements. The committee would provide an advisory report to the Water Policy Committee. These proposed changes would require an amendment to the ordinance that created CWAC, dissolving the current committee and resulting in new appointments for members.

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**9. Review Follow-Up Questions**

None

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**10. Confirm Next Meeting – Tuesday February 14, 2023.**

The next meeting on February 14, 2023 was confirmed.

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**11. Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:52p.m.

# Angie Binder

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Angie Binder, Chair  
Citizens' Water Advisory Committee

Adopted:

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Signature: *Angie Binder*  
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