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Meeting Minutes - Final

Waterworks Commission

Wednesday, May 20, 2026

6:00 PM

City Hall, Room 303

The meeting was called to order by Commission President Jorgensen at 6:32 p.m.

PRESENT: 7 - John Tate II, Natalia Taft, Cory Mason, Jens Jorgensen, Jim Sullivan, Nick Barootian and Rosalind Thomas

Roll Call

PRESENT: 7 - John Tate II, Natalia Taft, Cory Mason, Jens Jorgensen, Nick Barootian, Rosalind Thomas and Marlo Harmon

EXCUSED: 1 - Jim Sullivan

[0410-26](#)

Subject: Approval of Minutes for the April 15, 2026, Waterworks Commission Meeting

Staff Recommendation: To Approve

Fiscal Note: N/A

A motion was made by Mayor Mason, seconded by Thomas, that this file be Approved.

[0412-26](#)

Subject: Update from the Utility Director about the Powdered Activated Carbon (PAC) system injection point to address taste and odor concerns

Staff Recommendation: Receive and File

Fiscal Note: N/A

The Utility Director presented information about the current injection point for the Powdered Activated Carbon (PAC), and shared that they have requested a injection point adjustment approval from DNR in order to mitigate the impact of PAC components on membrane filtration. The Utility Director also shared that the plant is adding additional on-line water quality monitoring equipment that will be connected to the SCADA system to alert the plant to any changes in the water that may create taste or smell issues.

A motion was made by Taft, seconded by Mayor Mason, that this file be Received and Filed.

[0284-26](#)

Subject: Consideration of the Master Service Agreement with Dixon

Engineering for Remote Site Inspection and Maintenance Management, along with Cell Carrier Coordination

Staff Recommendation: To Approve

Fiscal Note: NA

The Utility Director presented a 10-year Master Service Agreement with Dixon Engineering to inspect and evaluate plant water tank conditions to determine any maintenance needs, manage contractors to complete needed repairs, and coordinate with cellular carriers in the event of needed repairs. The Utility Director shared that inspection is a requirement of the DNR and this agreement is to create efficiency and cost transparency for tank maintenance. The commission asked about contract terms and the Utility Director confirmed that the agreement can be canceled if any terms are not agreeable.

A motion was made by Taft, seconded by Thomas, that this file be Approved.

[0413-26](#)

Subject: Consideration of the Yearly Leak Detection Proposal from AECOM

Staff Recommendation: To Approve

Fiscal Note: Cost of the proposal is \$52,715.

The Utility Director presented on the yearly contract with AECOM for 2026 Leak Detection Services and shared that the normal detection area for the year was expanded to include new water mains to confirm their integrity before the expiration of their warranties and also investigate a few other areas as water loss increased in 2025 compared to prior years.

A motion was made by Taft, seconded by Thomas, that this file be Approved.

[0415-26](#)

Subject: Consideration of the Full Service Organics Management, LLC (FSO) Agreement CPI Amendment

Staff Recommendation: To Approve

Fiscal Note: N/A

The Utility Director presented about the 2024 agreement with Full Service Organics Management, LLC (FSO) for the cleaning of the water plant basin tanks, and its need for an amendment. Due to a change in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) designation by the bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor the new Series ID needs to be approved. The Utility Director referred to the Wastewater Director's presentation previously approved for the same amendment.

A motion was made by Barootian, seconded by Thomas, that this file be Approved.

Adjournment

There being no further business to address, the meeting was adjourned at 7:19 p.m.