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**CITY/COUNTY WATER AND WASTEWATER STUDY
OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

**October 15, 2009
Meeting Summary**

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Jim Barry called the October 15, 2009 meeting of the City/County Water and Wastewater Study Oversight Committee (Oversight Committee) to order at 5:15 p.m. at the Pima County Public Works Building, B-Level Conference Room C, 201 N. Stone Ave., Tucson, AZ 85701.

Members Present:

Jim Barry, Chairman
Vincent Vasquez
John Carlson
Rob Kulakofsky
Marcelino Flores
Tina Lee
Christopher Brooks
Bonnie Poulos
Bruce Gungle

Representing:

Citizens Water Advisory Committee (CWAC)
CWAC
Regional Wastewater Reclamation Advisory Committee (RWRAC)
RWRAC
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CWAC
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County P&Z Commission
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Absent

Joseph Maher City Planning Commission
Mark Stratton RWRAC
Bob Cook County P&Z Commission

City/County Staff Present:

Melaney Seacat, Regional Wastewater Reclamation Department
Ed Curley, Regional Wastewater Reclamation Department

A quorum of the Committee was established.

2. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

John Carlson stated his appreciation for the sub-committee's selection of Mette Brogden as the facilitator for the remaining Oversight Committee meetings.

3. **APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 1, 2009 MEETING SUMMARY***

The October 1, 2009 meeting summary was approved as submitted.

4. **CALL TO THE AUDIENCE**

No comments.

5. **FACILITATED DISCUSSION OF COMMITTEE PHASE 2 REPORT AND COMMITTEE FEEDBACK**

Mette Brogden distributed several handouts including a rough draft outline to committee members to begin the discussion for the committee report. Committee members had been requested to submit to Mette their individual top three contributions/comments for each section of the Staff Report, their individual view of what the focus of the committee report should be and how it should differ from the Staff Report. Information on the handouts was a compilation of these comments.

Committee members began discussion of the rough draft outline. It was agreed that when consensus could not be reached on an issue, the range of committee opinion would be reflected in the report. Committee members were requested to write down specific edits and comments on the rough draft outline and return the hard copy to Mette at the end of the meeting.

6. **DISCUSSION OF MEETING AGENDAS**

Mette reviewed the timeline of the Oversight Committee Phase 2 Report development. Comments and feedback on the rough draft outline should be submitted via email to Mette by October 20, 2009. Mette will circulate a draft summary report by October 22, 2009 based on notes, comments and opinions voiced at this meeting and other comments and edits submitted to her via email. Subsequent comments and revisions from the committee members on the draft summary report should then be returned to Mette. By November 5, 2009, committee members should receive a full draft committee report. This full draft will be the topic of discussion and revision at the November 12, 2009 committee meeting.

Bruce Gungle suggested the committee consider an additional meeting on December 3, 2009 to allow for the full development of a quality report. Committee members agreed that a quality report is the final objective from this process. The consideration of an additional committee meeting will be revisited at the November 12, 2009 meeting.

7. **CALL TO THE AUDIENCE**

William Crosby addressed the committee with the following points.

- Challenged the idea that Tucson has plenty of water – only at present and only for the very near future. Cited the absence of water in the Agua Caliente Wash as an example.
- Southwest Arizona and the Colorado River basin are generally regarded as a global hot spot for drought and climate change. The solution to this will not come from the CAP or a desalination facility in Yuma.
- There is existing technology to use solar power and/or methane gas from landfills to provide power to pump water. This technology should be pursued.
- Would like information from hydrologists as to what our water resources currently are so we can plan for the present population.

8. **ADJOURNMENT***

Jim Barry adjourned the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

Attendees:

Mette Brogden
Andrea Sommer
William Crosby