



## **King County Flood District Advisory Committee Meeting - Approved**

June 16, 2022  
10:00 a.m. to noon.

### **Committee Members**

Chair, Mayor Dana Ralph, City of Kent  
Vice Chair, Mayor Rob McFarland, City of North Bend  
Mayor Allan Ekberg, City of Tukwila  
Ken Hearing, Unincorporated King County  
Councilmember Michelle Hogg, City of Duvall  
Councilmember Valerie O'Halloran, City of Renton  
Councilmember Alex Pedersen, City of Seattle  
Mayor Katherine Ross, City of Snoqualmie  
Mayor Henry Sladek, Town of Skykomish  
Councilmember Chris Stearns, City of Auburn

### **Alternates**

Mayor Leanne Guier, Alternate SCA, City of Pacific  
Councilmember Sarah Moore, Alternate SCA, City of Burien  
Deputy Mayor Melanie O'Cain, Alternate SCA, City of Kenmore  
Councilmember Toni Troutner, Alternate, City of Kent Chair

### **Staff**

Executive Director Michelle Clark, Diana Phibbs, Steve Bleifuhs, Brian Murray, Linda DeBolt, Janet Greer, Martha Neuman, Cheryl Paston, Ron Straka, Mike Mactutis, Kazia Mermel

### **Facilitator**

Kjristine Lund, Lund Consulting

**Vice Chair Ralph called the meeting to order at 10 a.m. Facilitator Kjristine Lund called roll.**

### **Public Comments**

No public comments.

### **Approval of the Meeting Summary from March 31, 2022**

Mayor Ekberg moved to approve the meeting summary, and the motion was seconded by Mayor McFarland. The motion to approve the meeting minutes passed unanimously.

### **Executive Director Report**

Executive Director Michelle Clark reported that the Flood District Board of Supervisors (Board) passed the mid-year budget in May. One new emergency project showed up on the list. This was work in the Cities of Auburn and Pacific during the flood season to install Hesco barriers on A Street. Director Clark reported she directed the County to start on a White River capital investment strategy.

Executive Director Clark continued with information about the District's Grant programs. The Executive Committee moved forward a do pass recommendation to the full Board the CWM WRIA resolution which will allocate \$10.6 million in grants. The full Board will take action on the grants at its July meeting, and the WRIA members will make a full presentation at that time. This meeting can be viewed on KCTV, July 12th at 1pm.

Director Clark reported on the Flood Reduction Grants, for which \$14 million will be given out to the recipients, a total of 58 applications were received requesting \$40.6 million. The meeting at the end of August will not be held this year in light of the number of applications necessary to review. The grants will be awarded at the end of September or the beginning of October.

The annual financial statements for 2021 were submitted to the State Auditor at the end of May and there is a balance remaining of \$2.6 million in undesignated funds. The District will work with the Advisory Committee over the summer on the recommendations for a capital budget. The Flood District 2023 budget 2023 is slated for action by the Board the first week of November.

### **Background on Flood District Programs and Studies**

Executive Director Michelle Clark made a presentation regarding the purpose of the Flood District, and why it was created. The presentation explained:

- Integrated Floodplain Management
- Multi-Benefits
- Planning and Implementation of the 6-year CIP

Brian Murray, Policy and Program Supervisor, King County River and Floodplain Management continued with a presentation on the Introduction to Floodplain Management, highlighting the history of river engineering and control of rivers. He made the point that it is necessary to use the right strategy in the right place. Mr. Murray went on to describe the floodplain management plan for King County and the partners involved in planning efforts. He shared a reference document on how a flood management plan comes to life. Mr. Murray introduced the topic of equity in floodplain management planning. Mr. Murray's presentation is posted on the District's website on the Advisory Committee page.

### **Other Business**

No new business.

### **Next Meeting Plans**

The next scheduled meeting for the Advisory Committee is July 7, 2022, from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm on Zoom. The Joint Basin Technical Committee is scheduled to meet on June 29, 2022.

**The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.**