

Business Item: 2021-233
2050 Water Resources Policy Plan
Advisory Group

Council Meeting: September 8, 2021



Background

The 2040 Water Resources Policy Plan (WRPP) supports the Thrive outcomes of Stewardship, Sustainability, Equity, Prosperity, and Livability.

To aid in the development of the 2050 WRPP regional discussions are needed.

This group will advise and guide Council throughout the updating process.

Advisory Group

- Collaboration between external customers and stakeholders
- Includes watershed, wastewater and water supply representatives
- Meet 2-3 times per year through 2024 or until 2050 WRPP is out for public comment



Advisory Group Deliverables

- Advise Council staff on the proposed process, timing and schedule for updating the WRPP
- Advise and assist Council staff with making connections with groups need to reach out to and receive input on for the new WRPP
- Provide input on emerging water issues to consider as we begin the process
- Provide input on new policy and implementation strategies we are working on throughout the entire process
- Review and provide comments on final policy and implementation strategies prior to formal public review and hearing process

Recommended Advisory Group Membership

- Phil Belfiori – Vadnais Lake Area WMO
- Tim Kelly – Coon Creek WD
- Nick Tomczki – Rice Creek WD
- James Wisker – Minnehaha Creek WD
- Vanessa Strong – Scott WMO
- Laura Jester – Bassett Creek WMO
- Paul Moline – Carver WMO
- Charles Howley – Chanhassen
- Bryan Baer – Hugo
- Jennifer Levitt – Cottage Grove
- Steve Lillehaug – Shakopee
- Mark Maloney – Shoreview
- Russ Matthys – Eagan
- Richard McCoy – Robbinsdale
- Bruce Westby – Ramsey
- Bruce Elder – St. Paul
- Scott Anderson – Bloomington
- Joe Kohlmann – St. Francis
- Pat Shea - St. Paul Regional Water System
- Stephanie Johnson – Minneapolis

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council approve the recommendation to establish a Water Resources Policy Plan Advisory Group to advise and guide Council staff throughout the entire process of developing the new 2050 Water Resources Policy Plan, which includes the Wastewater System Plan as outlined in the business item.

Questions

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