

WSSC Ad-Hoc Committee on Large Diameter Water Mains
Jan 8th Committee Meeting – Meeting Minutes Amended

Meeting Opening

The meeting began at approximately 8:50am, with a quorum of Committee members.

Meeting Participants

The following individuals participated in the meeting.

Ad-Hoc Committee

- All members of the committee with the exception of:
 - Denise Mitchell
 - Shaun Pharr
 - Rupert McCave
 - Gary Gumm
 - Virginia Sheard
 - Howard Stone

WSSC Staff

- Jerry Johnson, WSSC GM & CEO (Convener of the Ad-Hoc Committee)
- Mark Coughlin, WSSC Project Manager assigned to the Committee

Facilitators

- Ellen Kagen, Indiggo Associates
- Seth Verry, Indiggo Associates

There were also several observers.

Debrief on the Status Update

Purpose and Approach to this Discussion: *The Committee discussed the December status update provided to the Commissioners. The facilitators made some observations of how the update went from their perspective; Committee members also shared their perspectives both about the process of developing the talking points, and the update itself, highlighting questions from the Commissioners.*

Update on Research on Other Communities Work Group Process

Purpose and Approach to this Session: *The purpose of this session was to discuss the process of research on other communities. Workgroup members and the facilitators provided status updates; Committee members asked questions and provided their reactions and ideas.*

Next Steps

- Laura Swisher to lead interview outreach and scheduling for research
- WSSC to make staff support available for the research process as needed

Visualization Work Group Presentation

Purpose and Approach to this Session: *This session was designed to create an opportunity for the Committee to review and discuss takeaways from the visualization effort. The visualization workgroup provided an update on their work. The committee engaged in a broader discussion of the takeaways from this group's work.*

Next Steps

- Visualization workgroup to continue its efforts taking into consideration guidance from today's discussion

Session on Systems Develop Charge (SDC)

Purpose and Approach to this Session: This session was designed to educate Committee members on the Systems Development Charge. Chris Cullinan, WSSC Acting CFO provided an Overview of the Systems Development Charge, supported by a slide presentation. Committee members asked questions. A broader discussion ensued focused on several related topics, including the legislation that has been introduced on the SDC, and the benefits and costs of pipe replacement and how that should be funded.

Report Writing

Purpose and Approach to this Session: This session was meant to provide an opportunity for the Committee to discuss the overall timeline and approach to report writing. The facilitators' provided an outline of their planned timeline, noting that the window for "vetting" the report with stakeholders will be March, not February as discussed at the November meetings. The Committee engaged in discussion with particular focus on how stakeholders' views should be factored into the report.

Land Use and Building Rules and Regulations

Purpose and Approach to this Session: *This session was designed to create an opportunity for the Committee to review four potential solutions in light of work to further clarify and define each of the alternatives. This topic was only briefly touched upon.*

Next Steps:

- Further discussion of the building and land use options to occur in future meetings