



## Capitol Region Watershed District

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**July 17, 2024  
CAC Meeting**

APPROVED

### **Community Advisory Committee Meeting Wednesday, June 12, 2024, 7:00 p.m.**

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#### **CAC Members Present:**

Mike Trojan  
Richard Weil  
Mary Lilly  
Steve Duerre  
Gwen Willems  
Bob Simonet  
Lauren Wheeler

#### **Others Present:**

Hawona Sullivan Janzen, CRWD Board  
Anna Eleria, CRWD Manager  
Rachel Funke, CRWD Staff

#### **CAC Members Absent:**

Andrew Montain, (unexcused)  
Tom Elko, (unexcused)  
Mike MacDonald, (unexcused)  
Michelle Ulrich, (unexcused)  
Barbara Hall, (unexcused)

#### **I. Welcome, Announcements, and Updates**

Ms. Lilly opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. and asked for any announcements or updates. There were none.

#### **II. Public Comment for Issues Not on the Agenda**

Ms. Lilly asked for comments that were not on the agenda. There were none.

#### **III. Approval of Agenda**

Ms. Lilly asked for comments or corrections to the agenda. There were none.

**CAC Motion 24-019:** *To approve the CAC June 12, 2024, Agenda.*

Wheeler/Duerre  
Unanimously approved.

#### **IV. Approval of Minutes**

- A) Approval of the *May 8, 2024, CAC Meeting Minutes*

**CAC Motion 24-020:** *Approve the May 8, 2024, CAC Meeting Minutes.*

Weil/Simonet  
Unanimously approved.

## **V. District Initiatives for Review, Comment, and Recommendations**

- A) Phalen Natural Resources Inventory (Funke)

Ms. Funke reported on the Phalen Natural Resources Inventory. CRWD in partnership with Ramsey Washington Metro Watershed District, Payne-Phalen and Dayton's Bluff Community Councils and Barr Engineering conducted a natural resource inventory for an area on the East Side of St. Paul. The purpose of this survey is to help guide community groups to protect and improve natural resources in that area.

*For informational purposes only. No motion was requested.*

## **VI. CAC Initiatives**

- A) CAC Reinvigoration Project Update (Eleria)

Ms. Eleria gave an update on the CAC Reinvigoration Project. Progress has slowed due to Ms. Armstead currently being focused on other matters, but information and evaluation is continuing. The Plan is projected to be finalized and implemented by late 2024.

*For informational purposes only. No motion was requested.*

- A) Meeting Minutes (Lilly /Wheeler)

Ms. Lilly and Ms. Wheeler introduced a new proposal for CAC Meeting minutes and CAC Observers at Board of Managers meetings. A spreadsheet was developed for CAC and Board of Manager meetings. CAC members are encouraged to sign up to take minutes at CAC meetings and attend Board of Manager meetings.

*For informational purposes only. No motion was requested.*

## **VII. Project and Program Updates**

- A) Climate Resiliency Framework (Funke)

Ms. Funke reported on the Climate Resiliency Framework. Barr Engineering has been approved to work with staff to develop a scope and budget. This scope will develop guiding principles, review climate resiliency works already done, conduct a vulnerability assessment and develop goals and actions for future work.

*For informational purposes only. No motion was requested.*

A) TBI Flood Mitigation / Water Quality Studies (Funke)

Ms. Funke reported on Trout Brook Interceptor (TBI) Flood Mitigation and Water Quality Studies. Twenty flood prone areas were scored. Rice Street scored the worst. Due to constraints with implementing any stormwater control and treatment projects in that area, it was decided to put in a bigger stormwater sewer pipe. The Jackson, Wheelock, Grotto and Maryland areas will be all lumped together due to impending road reconstruction. The area upstream of Gottfried's Pit was also identified as a problem area.

*For informational purposes only. No motion was requested.*

B) Upcoming Events (Eleria)

Ms. Eleria presented a list of upcoming events where CRWD will be having a table display and is looking for CAC volunteers to help. A link is embedded in each event to sign up to help or contact Ms. Xiong.

C) CAC Tour (Eleria)

Ms. Eleria reported on the annual CAC tour which will be held on July 17 from 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM. Meet at the CRWD office by 5:00.

## **VIII. CAC Observer Update**

Mr. Trojan reported on the May 15, 2024 Board of Managers Meeting.

Mr. Simonet reported on the June 5, 2024 Board of Managers Meeting.

## **IX. Discussion**

A) New & Old Issues

There were none.

B) CAC Observer for June 20, 2024, Board of Managers Meeting

There was no volunteer for the June 20 meeting

C) CAC Observer for July 10, 2024. Board of Managers Meeting.

Ms. Wheeler volunteered to attend the July 10 meeting

## **X. Adjourn**

**CAC Motion 24-021:** *To adjourn the June 12, 2024, CAC Meeting.*

Willems/Trojan  
Unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 P.M.  
Respectfully submitted, Steven Duerre