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Garber-Wellington Association*

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Nicoma Park Councilmember

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Midwest City Mayor

Interim Executive Director
John G. Johnson

AGENDA

GARBER-WELLINGTON ASSOCIATION POLICY COMMITTEE

April 24, 2008 (Thursday) 2:30 P.M.

(or immediately following the ACOG Board of Director's Meeting)

ACOG CONFERENCE ROOM
21 EAST MAIN, SUITE 100, OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

- I. CALL TO ORDER - Roll Call
- II. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES ([Attachment III](#))
Action Requested: Motion to approve minutes of the March 27, 2008 meeting.
- IV. STAFF REPORT
 - A. **Research.** Staff will report on the effects of nitrate loading on the Garber-Wellington aquifer.
Action Requested: None, for information only.
- V. PROGRESS REPORT ([Attachment V](#))
- VI. NEW BUSINESS
- VII. ADJOURNMENT

MINUTES

GARBER-WELLINGTON ASSOCIATION
POLICY COMMITTEE

March 27, 2008

The third regularly scheduled meeting of the Garber-Wellington Association Policy Committee for the calendar year 2008 was convened on March 27, 2008 in the Association of Central Oklahoma Governments (ACOG) Board Room, 21 E. Main Street, Suite 100, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. The meeting was held as indicated by advance notice filed with the Oklahoma County Clerk and by notice posted at the ACOG offices at least twenty-four hours prior to the meeting.

PRESIDING

CITY/AGENCY

Hon. John Brown, Councilmember

Piedmont

POLICY COMMITTEE PRESENT

Hon. Phillip Shirey, Councilmember

Bethany

Hon. Shawn Davis, Trustee

Calumet

Hon. Rod Cleveland, Commissioner

Cleveland County

Hon. Ken Bartlett, Councilmember

Del City

Hon. Marianne Yarbrough, Trustee

Forest Park

Hon. Mark Sharpton, Commissioner

Logan County

Hon. Margaret Graham, Councilmember

Luther

Hon. Russell Smith, Mayor

Midwest City

Hon. Keith Bryan, Councilmember

Mustang

Hon. Kathy Walker, Councilmember

Nichols Hills

Hon. Jim Pumphrey, Mayor

Nicoma Park

Hon. Larry Hopper, Councilmember

Norman

Hon. Sam Bowman, Councilmember

Oklahoma City

Hon. Bobby Cleveland, Councilmember

Slaughterville

Hon. Earnest Ware, Mayor

Spencer

Hon. Dean Johnson, Councilmember

Warr Acres

GUEST

Dean Schirf, Vice President, Gov't. Relations

Oklahoma City Chamber of Commerce

ACOG STAFF PRESENT

POSITION

John G. Johnson	Interim Executive Director
John M. Harrington	Division Director, Water Resources
Jane Sutter	Division Director, IGS
Debbie Cook	Director of Finance and Budget
Doug Rex	Division Director, TPDS
Jerry Church	Communications Program Coordinator, IGS
Ellen Owens	Division Secretary, Water Resources

I. CALL TO ORDER

Director Brown called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m., noting that a quorum was present.

II. INTRODUCTION OF GUEST

The aforementioned guest was present at the meeting.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Director Pumphrey made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 28, 2008 meeting. Director Bryan seconded the motion and the motion carried with the following vote:

AYE: Brown, Shirey, Davis, Cleveland, Bartlett, Yarbrough, Sharpton, Graham, Smith, Bryan, Walker, Pumphrey, Hopper, Bowman, Cleveland, Ware, Johnson

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: None

IV. STAFF REPORT

Legislation – Mr. Harrington referred to the Garber-Wellington yield study, commenting that the Oklahoma Water Resources Board (OWRB) went to the legislature and they were not interested in funding a multi-year study at the moment. He said, however, that the OWRB is still trying to fund an effort to get the study started and they are attempting to get \$100,000 in their budget to begin preparatory work, such as data gathering. Director Hopper asked if the yield study was part of the Statewide Water Plan. Mr. Harrington replied that there may be funds available under the Statewide Water Planning efforts.

Mr. Harrington commented that there were over 40 bills that were water related in February of this year, and currently, there are 16 left. He said there are eight bills, three House Bills and five Senate Bills, that he is monitoring.

Director Ware asked if there were any bills that should be killed in Committee. Mr. Harrington said he would like to see the Water Planning Bill stay in Committee as well as the REAP Bill. John Johnson commented that OWRB is advancing SB0841 (the REAP Bill), and that the Oklahoma Municipal League (OML) is opposing SB0841 on behalf of its small members who will be deprived of any opportunity for grant funding from REAP for water budgets. He also indicated that OWRB has said that they want to sweep that money into the Comprehensive Water Plan. He said that the OWRB has stated that it intends to use it for startup money to fund limited projects. Director Brown mentioned SB0893 and asked if the State Water Plan would take care of any issues that may arise after the State Water Plan is done. Mr. Harrington said that we will have to address those issues at some point. He stated that he would like to see that language start now rather than later.

Canadian River Wasteload Allocation Project – Mr. Harrington informed the Committee that a consultant has been selected for this project – C. H. Guernsey and Associates.

V. PROGRESS REPORT

There was no discussion of the Progress Report at the meeting.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

No new business was discussed at the meeting.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Director Pumphrey made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Hopper seconded the meeting, and the meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Garber-Wellington Policy Committee (GWPC)
FROM: John M. Harrington, Division Director, Water Resources
DATE: April 18, 2008
SUBJECT: Progress Report

The Canadian River project will be spread over two years and two phases. Phase I will be funded in 2008-09 and will cover preparatory work and project design for Phase II (collection and analysis).

Nitrate loading research project is continuing – statistical models are being developed.

Staff is working with OWRB and USGS on proposed yield study project on the Garber-Wellington aquifer.

Workplans for new 604(b) projects were accepted by OSE and EPA. Staff is resubmitting QAPP on the Nichols Hills modeling project and El Reno project.