

# CITY OF NEWPORT BEACH WATER QUALITY/COASTAL TIDELANDS COMMITTEE AGENDA

**Crystal Cove Conference Room** 

Thursday, July 7, 2022 - 3:00 PM

Water Quality/Coastal Tidelands Committee Members:
Council Member Duffy Duffield, Chair
Council Member Noah Blom, Vice Chair
Peter Belden, Member
Curtis Black, Member
Louis Denger, Member
Charles Fancher, Member
Lawrence Houston, Member
Richard McNeil, Member
George Robertson, Member

#### Staff Members:

Jim Houlihan, Deputy Public Works Director/City Engineer John Kappeler, Senior Engineer Karen Gallagher, Administrative Assistant

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# 1) CALL MEETING TO ORDER

# 2) ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS

## 3) PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS (10 min)

Public comments are invited on agenda items. Speakers must limit comments to five minutes. Before speaking, we invite, but do not require, you to state your name for the record. The Committee has the discretion to extend or shorten the speakers' time limit on agenda items, provided the time limit adjustment is applied equally to all speakers. As a courtesy, please turn cell phones off or set them in the silent mode.

# 4) REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES (5 min)

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# 5) CURRENT BUSINESS (55 min)

(a) Committee Goals/Objectives (John Kappeler) (10 min) Review and status update on the committee's goals and objectives.

**Recommendation: Committee Discussion** 

(b) Trash Interceptor Public Outreach Plan (John Pope) (20 min) Update on the Newport Bay Trash Interceptor Public Outreach Plan.

**Recommendation: Committee Discussion** 

(c) NOAA Sea Level Rise Study (Bob Stein) (25 min) Review of the NASA Sea Level Rise Study.

**Recommendation: Committee Discussion** 

# 6) ON-GOING BUSINESS (5 min)

(a) Bay and Ocean Bacteriological Test Results (John Kappeler) (5 min) Review and discussion of recent water quality test results within Newport Bay and along the ocean shoreline.

**Recommendation: Receive and File** 

# 7) COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENTS OR MATTERS WHICH MEMBERS WOULD LIKE PLACED ON A FUTURE AGENDA FOR DISCUSSION, ACTION OR REPORT (NON-DISCUSSION ITEM) (5 min)

- (a) Shellfish Monitoring (September 2022)
- (b) City of Newport Beach Street Sweeping Program (September 2022) Objective 3
- (c) IRWD Siphon Reservoir Project (Fall 2022) Objective 18
- (d) Balboa Island Drainage Plan (Winter 2022) Objective 12
- (e) City of Newport Beach Foodware Service Ordinance (Winter 2023) Objective 3

# 8) PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS (5 min)

Public comments are invited on non-agenda items generally considered to be within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Committee. Speakers must limit comments to three minutes. Before speaking, we invite, but do not require, you to state your name for the record. The Committee has the discretion to extend or shorten the speakers' time limit on non-agenda items, provided the time limit adjustment is applied equally to all speakers. As a courtesy, please turn cell phones off or set them in the silent mode.

# 9) SET NEXT MEETING DATE (5 min)

Recommendation: September 1, 2022

# 10) ADJOURNMENT

**Date:** June 6, 2022 **Time:** 3:00 p.m.

**Location:** Newport Beach Civic Center, Crystal Cove Conference Room

Meeting Minutes prepared by:

## 1. Call meeting to order

The meeting was called to order at 3:02 p.m. by Chair Duffield

#### 2. Roll Call and Introductions

#### **Committee Members Present:**

Councilmember/Chair Duffy Duffield Councilmember/Vice Chair Noah Blom Peter Belden Curtis Black Louis Denger Charles Fancher Tom Houston George Robertson

#### **Committee Members Absent:**

Richard McNeil

#### **Guests Present:**

Nancy Gardner, Orange Coast River Park Charles Klobe, SPON Jim Moser, Resident Jon Wadswroth, Surfrider Foundation Nancy Scarbrough, SPON Sharon Ray, Community Member

#### Staff Present:

Karen Gallagher, Administrative Assistant
John Kappeler, Senior Engineer
David Webb, Director of Public Works
Jim Campbell, Deputy Community Development Director

## 3. Public Comment on Agenda Items

Resident Jim Mosher recommended providing a link to any documents that will be discussed during the meeting and any future agendas. He noted it would allow the public to review the documents prior to the meeting, allow better questions, and a more informed discussion.

## 4. Review and approval of minutes (5 min)

Motion. Committee Member Robertson moved to approve the minutes as amended; Committee Member Black seconded; motion approved unanimously.

## 5. Current Business (50 min)

(a) <u>Fecal Coliform Time Schedule Order (TSO) (John Kappeler)</u> (10 min) Update on the Regional Water Quality Control Board's Fecal Coliform Time Schedule Order.

#### **Recommendation: Committee Discussion**

Senior Civil Engineer John Kappeler explained the Total Max Daily Load (TMDL) in the Bay includes bacteria, sediments, and pesticides. He advised the County is the keeper of the TMDL but cities are party to it. He explained a few years ago Orange County Coastkeeper felt the County was not doing a good job including missing deadlines and they issued an intent to sue. He further explained a Technical Committee was convened to develop a list of projects and presented the list to the committee. He reported the Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board (SARWQCB) adopted the list and the first three were assigned to Newport Beach. He advised the projects have been completed.

Committee Member George Robertson inquired about the date of the original Time Schedule Order (TSO). Senior Engineer Kappeler reported it was approximately December 2019.

Senior Engineer Kappeler explained once the projects are completed the SARWQCB would make amendments to the TMDL to appease the environmental community. He advised the Hoag and Arches diversions would divert the old storm drain that runs down old Newport Beach Boulevard and one that runs through Hoag to the Orange County Sanitation District (OCSD). He advised the project was \$1 million but the City received grant funding of \$870,000 to cover some of the costs. He reported the City has replaced all five of its vessel pump-outs on its public piers and now include a filter. Lastly, he reported the storm drain that was running to Newport Dunes was also diverted to OCSD and the City received a new permit to run it most of the year. He confirmed the OCSD wants the City to upgrade the Newport Dunes diversion but noted it is very expensive.

Chair Duffield inquired if a storm could overwhelm the diversion. Senior Engineer Kappeler OCSD wants the City to install telemetry on it so it can be remotely turned off and on during a storm.

Public Works Director David Webb inquired if the Hoag Drain and Arches diversion removed the permit post. Senior Engineer Kappeler explained if the City failed a testing a certain number of times it would get blacklisted. He noted the City had four postings from the late 1990s. He advised the Hoag Drain and Arches diversion removed the final posting three months ago which is a huge achievement for the City.

Committee Member Houston inquired if that could be linked to boat owners and their habits. Senior Engineer Kappeler noted a human marker has been found in sampling from that drain. He noted it is loosely tied to the homeless population in the area. Committee Member Robertson mentioned many surveys have been conducted in that area. Senior Engineer Kappeler confirmed the City has conducted substantial sampling in that drain and since there was a human marker the State provided the funds to fix the problem.

Committee Member Chuck Fancher inquired about the full name of the water board he was referring to. Senior Engineer Kappeler advised Newport Beach is governed by the Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board (SARWQCB) located in Riverside.

Chairman Duffield acknowledged Senior Engineer Kappeler for all he does especially for obtaining grants for the City.

Chair Duffield opened public comments.

Resident Jim Mosher inquired about the Santa Isabella Channel diversion and its status. Senior Engineer Kappeler explained the City is not responsible for the project. He advised there is a conceptual exhibit of the diversion at the cost of \$1.5 million with a plan to divert and regrade the outfall area. He noted that Orange County is the lead on the project.

Senior Engineer Kappeler reported Item 2c on the TSO, Additional BMP projects for Newport Dunes might be the diversion upgrade he alluded to earlier. He explained the City purchased plugs for the Newport Dunes parking lot drains that divert water from the storm drains to the catch basin. He advised sump pumps are then used for irrigation. He advised the City purchased the original plugs and the Newport Dunes Marina recently paid to replace three and rehabilitated one. He advised the SARWQCB wants the City to conduct a sanitary sewer survey.

There was no further action taken on this item.

(a) <u>City of Newport Beach Sustainability Plan (Nancy Gardner) (25 min) Review and update on the City of Newport Beach's Sustainability Plan.</u>

**Recommendation: Committee Discussion** 

Nancy Gardner presented the Sustainability Plan to the committee. She noted it was important to have a sustainability plan before an external agency assigns one to the City. She believes the City needs a plan that is geared toward Newport Beach. She noted a defined Sustainability Plan will also assist Senior Engineer Kappeler in obtaining grants.

Ms. Gardner reported the Sustainability Plan was developed through representatives of several agencies including the Surfrider Foundation, Newport Bay Conservancy, Still Protecting Our Newport (SPON), Sierra Club, the Irvine Company, Hoag Hospital, and Fuscoe Engineering. She noted it has the blessing of the Newport Beach Chamber of Commerce and has been reviewed by the City Council which was well received. She explained elements of sustainability were to be incorporated into the General Plan but then the City received its Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) numbers and everything came to a halt. She advised work in the General Plan is starting up again.

Ms. Gardner advised certain sections of the Sustainability Plan should be under the committee's purview and noted no entity addresses sustainability as a whole. She recommends expanding some of the plans' responsibilities to this committee. She reported the first part of the Sustainability Plan is education and calls for utilizing the available information. She recommends using the "carrot not the stick" approach to reward residents by offering incentives.

Ms. Gardner explained there are two parts to water that include water conservation and water quality. She advised water conservation elevates water quality in that a good job on one results in a good job on the other. She explained the plan would provide a map for sustainability so it does not have to be introduced with every project. She provided some examples of what could be done. She advised there is strength in the message. She noted the City of Irvine has tiered water rates that are tailored to the size of the house. She explains it focuses on the people that are wasting water and rewards the people who are saving water.

Ms. Gardner noted that almost every water quality project in the City has come out of this committee and referenced the debris boom, the Trash Wheel, and underwater dive cleanups as examples. She advised there has been an effort to get the Kerkhoff Marine Laboratory going again. She noted it has a

unique infiltration system that probably could not get permitted anymore. She explained there is a new professor there who is rumored to receive the Nobel Prize one day. She noted they want to get it to the level of the Scripps Institute.

Ms. Gardner advised the Sustainability Plan needs to be updated. She noted the City needs to pay more attention to what it has already done and cited the Harbor Area Management Plan as an example. She advised it is an opportunity to look at what is on the shelf instead of reinventing the wheel.

Ms. Gardner reported there needs to be a plan for sea-level rise. She advised there are many holistic things the City can do to help prevent sea level rise but there needs to be a plan. She noted a good plan needs to be in place with residents' buy-in to deal with the uncertainty.

Committee Member Houston inquired if the Sustainability Plan was drafted internally or developed by some direction from outside the organization. Ms. Gardner explained that she drafted the plan on her own accord.

Committee Member Houston inquired if there was any type of plan to confront the California Coastal Commission for their ridiculous position relative to a private program that would help the water. Ms. Gardner stressed the importance of the City creating its Sustainability Plan.

Committee Member Houston noted the California Coastal Commission seems to reach beyond its mantra. He inquired if the commission agrees that the federal government restoring sand to Sunset Beach eventually benefits the City. Ms. Gardner advised it helps to a degree but she believes a Sustainability Plan that looks at where sand is needed is important. She noted that one of the best protections against sea-level rise is a beach. She reported Coastal Quest tried for many years to get the Orange County Board of Supervisors to take the lead on this but gave up. She noted the City will have to look after itself. Committee Member Houston advised the Orange County Board of Supervisors is responsible for all of the County and a significant number of residents use all of the public beaches. He commented that watching government work is maddening.

Vice Chairman Noah Blom noted the sand program would be discussed during the next item.

Committee Member Chuck Fancher explained a Sustainability Plan protects what is good now and proactively plans for things that could threaten the City later. He advised the scope of this committee is confined to dealing with the ocean, beaches, the Harbor, and the Bay and is narrowly defined in what it can do. He inquired how the committee can broaden its scope if it is willing or how another committee is convened to carry the will of sustainability.

Ms. Gardner advised the committee has evolved over the years and provided a brief overview of its history. She noted the City Council ultimately decides its role but there has been a precedence for the charge to evolve.

Committee Member George Robertson inquired if the City has put together a Resiliency Plan for sealevel rise and noted it would be the cornerstone of the Sustainability Plan. He requested a link to the Resiliency Plan be sent to the committee.

Deputy Community Development Director Jim Campbell mentioned the sea level rise plan is in the City's Local Coastal Program. He noted it is been completed and has been reviewed and certified by the CCC but he would not call it a Resiliency Plan. He deemed it an IOU to a comprehensive sea level rise strategy that the CCC is expecting the City to prepare and the State of California is requiring the

City to prepare. He noted sea level rise is just one of the many safety elements that the City must update in the General Plan and must address climate change in all of its facets. He reported a comprehensive General Plan update including sea-level rise and climate change will take about 2 to 3 years.

Committee Member Robertson commented that it is not only sea-level rise but includes flooding and groundwater rise. He inquired what is being asked of the committee on this item. Ms. Gardner advised the item is for discussion only.

Public Works Director Dave Webb inquired if a Climate Action Plan or a Suitability Plan is required for the General Plan. Deputy Community Development Director Campbell advised it is not required but can be completed at the direction of the City Council. He explained some of the issues that can be addressed through a good Public Works Design Manual and do not necessarily need to be part of the General Plan.

Chair Duffield opened public comments.

Jon Wadsworth from Surfrider expressed support for the ideas being discussed. He mentioned the Surfrider Foundations' awareness of these issues. He noted there is nothing on the City's website on sustainability and believes there is a huge opportunity for the City to be a leader on the issue. He believes the first step is to have the outline of a plan available to the public. He announced that the Surfrider Foundation is willing to lend a hand with the Sustainability Plan.

Hoiyin Ip noted she discovered mention of the Sustainability Plan on the City's website in 2016 and has been waiting for this moment. She reported the City of Irvine approved a climate resolution last year and recently received a grant to help implement their Climate Action Plan. She noted Laguna Beach also recently started to develop its ideas.

Ms. Ip reported she submitted questions to the Orange County Board of Supervisor candidates and noted her question on public transportation was selected for discussion. She reported the Ocean Protection Council (OPC) recently adopted a statewide Microplastics Strategy and noted several bills came out of that strategy but reported four water quality bills have already died. She requested a bill be introduced to ban Styrofoam products from street vendors.

Chair Duffield closed public comments.

Chair Duffield noted the miracle fork that does not impact nature is not available at this time but hopes it will eventually happen. He advised that every single Duffy boat uses recycled batteries. He noted that 100% are melted down and remanufactured. He advised this has kept pollution out of the Bay for 52 years and expressed pride that the sustainability effort started in Newport Beach.

Ms. Gardner noted it is a good point to include in what the City has done for sustainability.

Committee Member Fancher noted it is a similar story to the transition from a gas-powered car to an electric car.

There was no further action taken on this item.

(b) <u>City of Newport Beach – Beach Erosion (Dave Webb) (20 min) Review and Update on the City of Newport Beach's Beach Erosion Plan.</u>

**Recommendation: Receive and File** 

Director of Public Works Webb provided a brief overview of the ocean and Bay Beach erosion. He noted the City does not have a specific plan for beach erosion. He provided statistics on the City's beach assets. He advised the City has several low-lying areas currently protected by beaches and seawall structures. He noted ocean beaches need Beach Sand Nourishment to backfill, broaden, and raise eroded areas but have been reduced, interrupted, or eliminated. He advised existing seawalls and structures may need raising/replacement and/or new shore protection and drainage systems installed to ensure continued flood protection for businesses, residents, visitors, and coastal resources. He provided maps of elevation charts and pointed out areas of concern. He advised there is a plan to start raising seawalls and noted that has prompted concerns from residents regarding property values.

Director of Public Works Webb provided a brief overview of areas that are at risk of periodic flooding by 2060 if no protective measures are taken. He noted there will be some level of the constant rise of the seawalls to adjust for this. He provided a brief overview of the sediment generation and advised with the development of Southern California, it has greatly reduced the sediment source and transport to the ocean to build up the beaches. He noted he has been in discussions on ideas on how to build up the sand and advised there have been some very interesting ideas brought forward.

Director of Public Works Webb reported there are problems on the beach itself with lateral impediments. He noted the sand on the beach cannot get past the natural impediments. He reported sediment is an important commodity and essential building material and is not being used for the beach. He advised the sand moving up and down the coast is affected by wind, waves, surf, and storms eroding off-shore. He reported the Newport Submarine Canyon is off the Newport Pier and fills the canyon.

Chair Duffield mentioned the Los Angeles and Long Beach breakwater jetties blocked the City from getting sand and were catastrophic for the City's beaches. Director of Public Works Webb explained the jetties keep the Harbor from sanding up.

Director of Public Works Webb advised the biggest contributor to sediment is the Santa Ana River but it does not have the sediment volume it once did. He explained Newport Bay Watershed includes two watersheds with two different sediment issues. He advised sediment from San Diego Creek comes down and fills the Upper Bay and needs to be dredged. He presented historical aerial photos to the committee of beach changes over years.

Committee Member Peter Belden inquired if Lifeguard management informs staff about beach and weather events. Director of Public Works Webb reported staff has asked Lifeguard management to develop a formal notification system when big swells are coming.

Director of Public Works Webb continued to show historical photos of the beach. He reported that in approximately 1960 the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers was brought to task by coastal cities and agreed to replenish the beaches. He reported the Surfside/Sunset Beach Sand Nourishment Project is part of that agreement. He advised the project will mine sand from off-shore and places it on a surfside receiver beach with the materials working their way down to Newport Beach. He noted the project is currently working on Stage 13 of the ongoing project.

Director of Public Works Webb provided an overview of future projects that include continuing the Orange County Santa Ana River Mouth Sand Maintenance, doing something for the Balboa Pier/Parking Lot Sand Berm, advocating for the Federal Beach Sand Nourishment Project at Balboa, and exploring lengthening/improving the 28th-56th Street Groining Field.

Ms. Gardner referred to the early photos and noted the City started with an artificial beach to begin with and always have to play catch up. She inquired what the City would gain by extending the jetties. Director of Public Works Webb explained it would be worthy of a study of extending the groining.

Committee Member Houston noted there is a constant south swell and every year the City can count on disturbances from the South Pacific that build big waves. Director of Public Works Webb explained there is a lot of energy in waves and if they can be tripped sooner it removes some of the energy. He advised parts of Australia are using geotubes to trip the wave early.

Committee Member Fancher inquired about a definition of geotubes. Director of Public Works Webb explained it is a large tube filled with water or sand that lay in the sea bed or bury them to trip the wave or hold the beach sand in place.

Ms. Gardner advised the argument for the CCC is that the City is preserving the beach and delaying any kind of managed retreat. Director of Public Works Webb advised the CCCs managed retreat policies are not favorable for waterfront houses. He advised the City would want to study a managed retreat system and ask the US Army Corps of Engineers about putting a couple of hundred yards of sand on Balboa Beach to buy the City another 20 years in that area. Ms. Gardner noted the plan would also identify areas that would not be saved because they would not be worth the money.

Director of Public Works Webb explained the County has built debris basins and per the Sediment Management Plan, it should go back on the beaches.

Committee member Robertson inquired about the City's position about sand mining that happens in the Santa Ana River off of Fountain Valley. He noted the scoop the sand up off the concrete and haul it out of there. Director of Public Works Webb explained the Sediment Management Plan requires that material goes to the beach. He advised some of it went to San Clemente but noted there is so much block in the Mojave Desert it is best to get it there and not locally.

Chair Duffield reported Santa Cruz uses pipes to pump the sand a mile away and suction dredge the beach and rebuild the beach with bulldozers all year long. He proposed using the same methodology in Newport Beach but noted it has many hurdles.

Director of Public Works Webb gave Chair Duffield credit for all of his efforts in trying to get the Harbor pumped and noted the materials will be placed on the beach at the Balboa Pier. He explained the 80% sand rule states that the replenishment source material must be greater than 80% sand and if it is 75% sand it is not considered beach quality and is dumped back in the ocean. He advised they have tried to talk to the regulatory agencies and the Corps about changing that rule.

Committee Member Belden noted the City of Oceanside has a pump. He inquired how they were able to push that through. Director of Public Works Webb explained some cities have historic permits to pump.

Committee Member Belden inquired if the studies on the movement through the groining field can be emailed to the committee. Director of Public Works Webb advised they were completed by the US Army Corps of Engineers and that he would need to contact them to obtain copies.

Committee Member Belden inquired about the average cost of moving the sediment from the Santa Ana River. Director of Public Works Webb explained the County pays for that and the Lifeguards are

used to keep it safe. He reported there is a four-way agreement between the Federal Government, the State, the County, and the City to pay for Sunset Beach. He advised the City's portion is 14% or approximately \$100,000.

Chair Duffield opened public comments.

Mr. Mosher referenced the photos of Balboa Pier and noted it looks longer in the later photo. Director of Public Works Webb thinks one of the photos shows the pier under construction.

Chair Duffield closed public comments.

Committee Member Curt Black thanked Director of Public Works Webb for bringing this to the committee and Representative Michelle Steel for her efforts.

There was no further action taken on this item.

#### 6) On-Going Business (5 min)

(a) <u>Bay and Ocean Bacteriological Test Results (John Kappeler) (5 min) Review and discussion of recent water quality test results within Newport Bay and along the ocean shoreline.</u>

**Recommendation: Receive and File** 

Senior Civil Engineer Kappeler gave a brief overview of the latest bacteriological test results. He advised all of the testing sites are looking great. He reported the Newport Dunes diversion is turned off as there is a permitting issue so there have been quite a few exceedances but hopes it will come online in the next few weeks.

The item was received and filed.

# Committee Announcements on Matters which Members would like placed on a future agenda for discussion, action, or report (Non-Discussion Item) (5 min)

- (a) Fecal Coliform Time Schedule Order (TSO) (June 2022)
- (b) Trash Interceptor Public Outreach Plan (Summer 2022) Objective 19
- (c) NASA Study Sea Level Rise (Summer 2022) Objective 5
- (d) Shellfish Monitoring (Summer 2022)
- (e) Balboa Island Drainage Plan (Fall 2022) Objective 12
- (f) IRWD Siphon Reservoir Project (Fall 2022) Objective 18
- (g) City of Newport Beach Street Sweeping Program (Fall 2022) Objective 3
- (h) City of Newport Beach Foodware Service Ordinance (Winter 2022) Objective 3

# 8) Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items (10 min)

Committee Member Fancher inquired about the red algae bloom at the piers. Senior Civil Engineer Kappeler advised he would contact the County to obtain additional information.

Committee Member Fancher inquired if the committee should discuss expanding the scope of the committee to include sustainability or recommending the City Council investigate memorializing or putting the Sustainability Plan into practice.

Vice Chair Blom expressed support for Ms. Garner's Sustainability Plan but believes the committee needs

to focus on the water quality side of the plan. He advised the Sustainability Plan will be brought up continually as the City goes through the General Plan especially since the City is being mandated by the State on some of these items. He believes the General Plan Committee will be the right place for the Sustainability Plan to be reviewed and turned into action plans. He believes the City should start with 1 or 2 items that relate to water quality and start from there.

Committee Member Fancher expressed concern that unless the City Council comes into the General Plan with sustainability thinking as part of conducting business, sustainability will get scattered to the wind.

Vice Chair Blom advised the General Plan committee will bring up sustainability and noted Ms. Gardner is on the committee.

Ms. Gardner reported the current General Plan is from 2006 and noted that by the time it went to the City Council the General Plan Committee already had so much buy-in. She explained a directive from the General Plan Committee may be a directive that the City has a Sustainability Plan.

Committee Member Houston inquired about the timeline for the General Plan. Vice Chair Blom advised it is going to be a while. Ms. Gardner believes it will be approximately three years. Committee Member Fancher volunteered to get involved with the process.

Committee Member Robertson remarked about the algae blooms and reported weekly testing is conducted on the Newport Pier. He noted there are several observing platforms on the Newport Pier. He will send the committee the links to Senior Civil Engineer Kappeler who will then forward it to the committee.

Senior Civil Engineer Kappeler reported the Trash Interceptor was going in front of the CCC next Wednesday for approval. He advised they recommended approval with 12 doable special conditions.

## 9) Set Next Meeting Date (5 min)

Recommendation: July 7, 2022

Chair Duffield set the next meeting for July 7, 2022.

## 10) Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:46 p.m.	
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