

CAC minutes for the meeting of April 20, 2023

CAC MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Alyssa Quinn, Chair, Distributor Representative
Andrew Ross, Vice Chair, Denver Citizen Representative
Nona Shipman, Secretary, Public Interest Group Representative
Alan Hassler, West Slope Representative
Jim Fitzmorris, Homebuilders Representative
Charley Garcia, Environmental Representative

CAC MEMBERS ABSENT

Emily Meek, Suburban Customer Representative
Lisa Mathai, Denver Citizen Representative
Mike Eytel, West Slope Representative

DENVER WATER STAFF

Sara Behunek
Andy Hill
Greg Fisher
Ashley Denault
Ariana Saldivar

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Tim Flynn

Opening Remarks

5:05–5:08 p.m.

- Approval of March minutes – Nona moved, Alan seconded, all in favor
- Approval of April agenda – Jim moved, Alan seconded, all in favor
- Icebreaker
- Public comment – no comments.

Denver Water Presentation

5:08–5:25 p.m.

- Colorado River Memorandum of Understanding update (Greg Fisher, Planning Manager)

CAC Business

5:25–5:54 p.m.

- Member Updates
 - Alyssa mentioned the Colorado WaterWise Glenwood Springs tour/meeting focused on fire resiliency and Best Practice project updates. More details available on the Colorado WaterWise website.
 - Native Grass manual will be coming out towards the end of the year, paired with a website.
 - Alan mentioned that local snotels have shown a decrease of over a foot recently, Wolford Reservoir is being filled, and he is looking forward to seeing Denver Water conducting stakeholder outreach and would like to be involved.
- UBRR draft letter update
 - Denver Water leadership team appreciates the CAC elevated this issue to their attention. The CAC letter on this issue has been brought to the DW leadership team. The BOD will decide if they'd like to add this topic to a future BOD meeting

- agenda.
- Charley asked how the BOD agenda process works because there is a standing agenda item for comments from the CAC. Ashley responded that the item is for CAC members to present to the board. Alyssa asked what would prevent the CAC from using that agenda item to discuss the letter. Ashley responded that is an option for the CAC and how to proceed is based on what the CAC's desired outcome would be.
- There is an interest from the CAC to more regularly attend Denver Water BOD meetings.
- Denver citizen representative position update
 - We received four applications. Ashley recommends interviewing all four.
 - Interview committee will conduct virtual interviews, bring a candidate in May for CAC approval/discussion, the decision would go to the Denver Water BOD for approval, and then the selected party will be invited to the following CAC meeting – most likely the July meeting.
- Approval of Jim Fitzmorris for a second term
 - Jim is interested in continuing into a second term on the CAC.
 - Alyssa nominated Jim for a second term on the CAC, Andrew seconded, all in favor, motion approved.

Denver Water Presentation cont.

5:54– 6:21 p.m.

- Government and Community Relations overview (Ashley Denault, Ariana Saldivar, Andy Hill)
- Charley asked who is responsible for managing the traffic impacts the East Colfax project will create. Ariana said that Denver Water submits proposals to the city for approval/comment and then Denver Water and the city will put out notices to the public.

Next Meeting

- LRP Updates
- Water efficiency and conservation updates

Adjourn

6:30 p.m.