



# Highline Water District Workshop Minutes January 24, 2006

## COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Gerald R. Guite  
Vince Koester  
George Landon  
Kathleen Quong-Vermeire  
Randall Taylor

## STAFF PRESENT

Matt Everett, General Manager  
Thomas Keown, Manager, Construction / Operations  
Debra Prior, Administrative Manager  
Mary Fossos, Administrative Specialist

## CONSULTANT PRESENT

None

## ATTORNEY PRESENT

John W. Milne, Inslee, Best, Doezie & Ryder, P.S.

Note: Strikeouts indicate absence

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Quong-Vermeire called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

### 2. APPROVE AGENDA

Commissioner Guite moved to approve the Agenda. Commissioner Landon seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

### 3. GFC/LFC Presentation

Matt and Tom reviewed the District's current GFC and LFC policies.

The Local Facility Charge (LFC) is the cost of the local water mains, valves, fire hydrants, which is then divided by the square footage of a 2 block x 2 block area (40¢/sq. ft.)

General Facility Charge (GFC) – \$2,100/ERU allows developer to buy a fair share of large system components (source, storage, etc.). Commissioner Quong-Vermeire is concerned that if the GFC is lowered, it might create financial problems for maintaining future infrastructure.

Vacant Lots – The District does not solicit property owners to hook-up vacant lots. The customer comes to the District and requests a Water Availability for potential property development. Commissioner Guite inquired if the District had sufficient capacity. Tom stated we have sufficient supply/treatment due to SPU contract. All other capacity needs are assessed every 6 years as part of the comprehensive plan.

### 4. Commissioner Compensation

Debbie distributed RCW 57.12.010 to the Board which outlines compensation for attending meetings. Commissioners can attend 96 meetings a year (January through December). If meeting attendance exceeds 96, the Commissioner is not entitled to additional compensation.

### 5. SPU Water Supply Update

Matt and Commissioner Quong-Vermeire attended the Seattle Water Supply System Operating Board meeting on January 5, 2006. Matt distributed his notes of the meeting to the Commissioners and a copy of SPU's Water System Operation Highlights (1/23/06 – 1/30/06). Matt highlighted SPU's efforts with the Muckleshoots to come to a permanent agreement for



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water rights on the Cedar River.

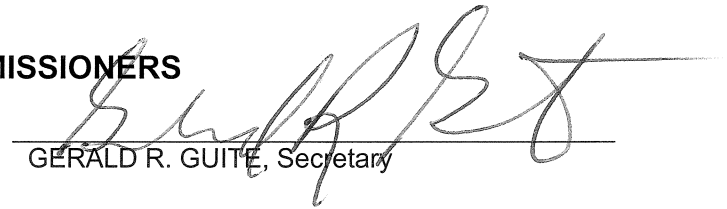
**6. Other**

No members of the public were present and no other items were brought before the Board.

There being no further business of the District, Commissioner Quong-Vermeire adjourned the Workshop Meeting at 5:07 PM.


**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

  
KATHLEEN QUONG-VERMEIRE, President

  
GERALD R. GUITÉ, Secretary

  
VINCE KOESTER, Commissioner

RANDALL TAYLOR, Commissioner

  
GEORGE LANDON, Commissioner