Orange Water and Sewer Authority

OWASA is Carrboro-Chapel Hill's not-for-profit public service agency delivering high quality water, wastewater, and reclaimed water services.

Summary of the OWASA Board of Directors' Work Session on October 10, 2019

Please note: *The summary below was prepared by staff and is not approved by the OWASA Board. OWASA's webpage with Board meeting information includes the Board's adopted minutes, agenda materials, staff's meeting summaries, audio recordings of Board meetings on second Thursdays of the month, and videos of Board meetings on fourth Thursdays. The agenda and related information for the October 10th meeting are available here.*

The Board of Directors:

- Approved Sole Source Procurement of three types of equipment to be included in upcoming capital improvement projects that will improve the reliability of finished water pumping and chemical facilities at our water treatment plant.

- Approved a Resolution Establishing a Declaration of Intent to Amend the Sewer Use Ordinance; staff will begin the 60-day comment period for the public, governing bodies and the University.

- Received an update on the Rogerson Drive Force Main Emergency Repair and Cost Estimate. The force main is the most critical pipeline asset within the wastewater collection system and emergency replacement of a corroded section at Raleigh Road has been ongoing since mid-April. Construction is expected to cost approximately $5.5 million and includes several improvements to enhance service life, reliability, and maintenance of the asset.

- Agreed to consider updating the 1996 Cane Creek Reservoir Watershed Study after the completion of the Long-Range Water Supply Plan update and evaluate it alongside other initiatives that would be developed during the update of the Strategic Plan.

The Board will hold its next meeting on Thursday, October 24, 2019 at 7 PM in Council Chamber, Chapel Hill Town Hall, 405 Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard, Chapel Hill and Thursday, November 14, 2019 at 6 PM in the OWASA Community Room, 400 Jones Ferry Road, Carrboro.