

**FAIRFAX WATER**  
**Minutes of Board Meeting**  
**July 31, 2025**

At 7:17 p.m. on Thursday, July 31, 2025, a Meeting of the Fairfax Water Board was held in the Bill G. Evans Boardroom at 8570 Executive Park Avenue, Fairfax, Virginia, with the following in attendance:

**Members:** Allin, Begovich, Cammarata, Colleton, Day, Dotson, Ginyard-Jones, Griffin, Roberson, Rubin (absent)

**Wholesale Customer Representatives:** Bahceci

**Staff:** Brown, Cotten, Creel, Dewhirst, Dooley, Farley, Grimes, Hedges, Kingsbury, Love, S. Miller, Nguyen, Oates, Prelewicz

**Counsel:** John McGranahan, Hunton Andrews Kurth LLP (absent for Closed Session), Chris Pomeroy, AquaLaw (remote) (departed after Closed Session)

**Others:** N/A

Upon separate motions duly made, seconded, and unanimously carried, unless otherwise noted, the following actions were taken:

**Approval of Minutes**

The Board unanimously approved the Minutes of the July 17, 2025, Board Meeting.

**Matters by Staff**

Ms. Hedges addressed the following:

- Introduced Mr. Prelewicz, Mr. Dewhirst, and Ms. Brown to provide the Board with a PFAS Strategy Update.

**Closed Session**

Mr. Begovich moved, with a second by Mr. Day, that the Board go into closed session pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711(A)8, for consultation with legal counsel employed or retained by a public body regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel, specifically relating to PFAS source reduction efforts.

Upon conclusion of the closed session, the open session resumed, whereby Mr. Begovich moved, with a second by Mr. Day, certifying, in accordance with Section 2.2-3712 of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act that, to the best of each Member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open Meeting requirements under Chapter 37 of Title 2.2 of the Virginia Code, and (ii) only such public business matters as were publicly identified in the motion by which the just concluded closed Meeting was convened, were heard, discussed, or considered by Fairfax Water in closed session. This motion was approved, with the following Members voting in the affirmative by roll-call vote: Ms. Ginyard-Jones, Mr. Dotson, Mr. Day, Mr. Cammarata, Mr. Begovich, Chairman Allin, Mr. Roberson, Mr. Griffin, and Ms. Colleton.

### **Report of the Board Retreat Planning Committee**

Ms. Ginyard-Jones reported on the Board Retreat Planning Committee Meeting held on Monday, July 29, 2025. The Committee met and came up with several recommendations, which it plans to share with the Board at a future meeting.

### **Report of the Facilities Naming Committee**

Mr. Cammarata reported on the Facilities Naming Committee Meeting held earlier in the evening. The Committee discussed two potential "Sense of the Board" statements drafted by the Committee Chairman regarding the naming of Fairfax Water facilities. The Committee voted to recommend the second of the two proposed statements, which states that:

It is the sense of the Board that it, in its sole discretion, shall consider bestowing the honor of naming a Fairfax Water facility on any individual who has completed his/her service to Fairfax Water and who has exhibited significant exemplary leadership in helping Fairfax Water fulfill its mission, or such naming may be one of a location which has a nexus to the facility sought to be named. Any consideration seeking Board action on naming shall be in writing.

The full Board's vote on the proposed statement was deferred until after the Report of the Human Resources Committee to allow time for Members to re-enter the Board Room. The Committee Chairman also noted that after the Board voted on the motion to adopt the above statement, the work of the Facilities Naming Committee would be complete and that the Committee could be dissolved.

### **Report of the Human Resources Committee**

Mr. Dotson reported on the Human Resources Committee Meeting held earlier in the evening. The Committee reviewed proposed changes to Chapter 3 of the Fairfax Water Handbook, which covers Employee Conduct and Appearance. After the review, the Committee recommended that the full Board vote to adopt revisions made during the July 31 Committee Meeting discussion at its Meeting on September 4, 2025. The Committee also discussed a potential change in Fairfax Water's Third-Party Administrator. After the discussion, the Committee recommended that the Board approve the proposed change, which was included as Administrative Item 2f of the Board Meeting agenda for the evening.

### **Motion regarding the "Sense of the Board" Statement on the Naming of Fairfax Water Facilities**

Mr. Griffin moved, with a second by Mr. Dotson, to approve the following statement regarding the naming of Fairfax Water facilities:

It is the sense of the Board that it, in its sole discretion, shall consider bestowing the honor of naming a Fairfax Water facility on any individual who has completed his/her service to Fairfax Water and who has exhibited significant exemplary leadership in helping Fairfax Water fulfill its mission, or such naming may be one of a location which has a nexus to the facility sought to be named. Any consideration seeking Board action on naming shall be in writing.

The motion passed after an 8-1 vote, with Mr. Begovich voting nay.

### **Matters by Members**

- Ms. Ginyard-Jones reported on her meeting with Supervisor Bierman held earlier in the week.

- Mr. Cammarata provided an update on the meeting held the previous day with Supervisor Storck, his staff, and a representative from the office of Chairman McKay to discuss the potential trail at the Griffith Water Treatment Plant. The meeting was also attended by Mr. Dotson, Ms. Hedges, Mr. Dewhirst, and Mr. Prelewicz.

### **Griffith Trail Security Analysis**

Mr. Cammarata requested that absent any objection by the Board Members, that the General Manager, in accordance with her authority, identify and retain a contractor to perform a security analysis to evaluate whether the addition of a trail at the Griffith Water Treatment Plant would impact Fairfax Water's ability to protect its assets. Seeing no objections, the General Manager was authorized to proceed.

### **Matters by Staff Continued**

Ms. Hedges addressed the following:

- Noted that the Handouts packet included an amended Appropriations sheet for project P2731 related to Administrative Item 2a of the evening's agenda.
- Announced that an Open House/Family Day event will be held at the Willard Maintenance Facility for staff on October 25, 2025.

### **Matters by Members Continued**

- Chairman Allin requested a status update on the disposition of the Chantilly Maintenance Facility. Ms. Hedges provided a brief update indicating that additional input from Fairfax County was being sought as to their interest in the facility.

### **Appropriations**

The Board unanimously approved an increase in appropriations for eight projects totaling \$814,100. A detailed description for each project appropriation is included with the Board Packet for this Meeting.

### **Hydraulic Modeling and Design Software**

The Board authorized the General Manager to execute the Bentley End-User License Agreement limiting the Board's contractual remedies. Additionally, the Board authorized Staff to renew the subscription contract for the software licenses as long as the contractual terms are consistent.

### **Legislative Support Services**

The Board authorized the General Manager to approve the assignment of contract interest from McGuire Woods, LLP to McGuire Woods Consulting, LLC.

### **Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Evaluation/Feasibility Study and Business Case Development**

The Board awarded a contract to E Source Companies, LLC, for AMI Evaluation/Feasibility Study and Business Case Development in the amount of \$198,063.

### **Strategic Plan 2030**

The Board awarded a contract for consulting services to develop Strategic Plan 2030 to Hazen and Sawyer, D.P.C., in the amount of \$288,950.

### **Third Party Administration of Fairfax Water Group Health Plan**

The Board awarded a contract to CFA, LLC., and Group Hospitalization and Medical Services, Inc., for health plan administration services through December 31, 2027, in the estimated amount of \$490,950 and authorize CFA, LLC., to act as Fairfax Water's broker of stop loss insurance coverage. The Board also authorized staff to renew the contract for three additional one-year periods and to continue to have CFA, LLC., provide stop loss brokerage services for each renewal term, so long as pricing and services remain consistent with contractual terms and conditions.

### **Basic Ordering Agreements for Professional Engineering Services**

The Board awarded a one-year Basic Ordering Agreement for Professional Engineering Services to the following firms for specific categories of services in the estimated aggregate amount not-to-exceed \$10,000,000:

1. A. Morton Thomas and Associates, Inc.
2. Arcadis U.S., Inc.
3. Black & Veatch Corporation
4. Brown & Caldwell
5. Burns & McDonnell Engineering Company, Inc.
6. CDM Smith, Inc.
7. Dewberry Engineers, Inc.
8. EMA, Inc.
9. Gauthier, Alvarado & Associates
10. Hazen and Sawyer
11. HDR Engineering, Inc.
12. Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc.
13. Kennedy Jenks Consultants, Inc.
14. Kimley-Horn and Associates
15. Michael Baker International, Inc.
16. Raftelis Financial Consultants, Inc.
17. Rinker Design Associates, LLC
18. Surveying and Mapping, LLC
19. Tank Industry Consultants, Inc.
20. Whitman, Requardt & Associates, LLP

The specific categories of services for each firm are included in the Board Packet for this Meeting. Annual expenditure will be based on actual requirements. The Board also authorized staff to renew the contracts for up to three additional one-year periods, so long as prices remain consistent with contractual terms and conditions.

### **Water Main Installation and Service Contract**

The Board awarded Water Main Installation and Service Contracts in the estimated amounts of \$13,925,350 to Sagres Construction Corporation and \$15,106,285 to A&M Concrete Corporation, for the period of October 1, 2025, to September 30, 2026. The Board also authorized staff to renew each contract for up to two additional one-year periods, so long as prices remain consistent with contractual terms and conditions.

### **Proposed Schedule of Rates, Fees, and Charges**

In accordance with the recommendation of the Finance and Audit Committee, the Board authorized the advertisement of the proposed rate changes and set the date of December 11, 2025, for the public hearing thereon.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the Meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

  
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Joseph Cammarata, Secretary