ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMITTEE June 26, 2012 Summary

Chair Blues called the meeting to order at 1:05 PM. Stinnett, Gorton, Farmer, McChord, Martin & Henson were also present.

5.15.12 Environmental Quality Committee Summary. On a motion by Farmer second Gorton the 5.15.12 summary was approved.

Capital Flooding Severity Score Re Evaluation. Division of Water Quality Engineer Greg Lubeck made the presentation. He explained why the staff wants to re-examine the severity score system. He stated that the proposed system is objective-based, whereas the current system can be very subjective. He also stated that, due to the unpredictable nature of funding, it is difficult to move projects through quickly.

A motion by Farmer, second Gorton, to move this item to the full Council passed without dissent.

Indefinite Service Agreements re Consent Decree Remedial Measures Projects. Director of Water Quality Charlie Martin gave this presentation. He stated that this activity should improve the efficiency and effectiveness of remedial measures projects. He noted that the RFQ approach that receives competing quotes from prequalified firms is preferred.

He said that, to avoid conflicts with existing procurement policy, DWQ will recommend amending the procurement guidance associated with Ordinance 162-2011.

Because these amendments will take time and require Council approval, DWQ will use the existing pre-qualified list and process to get some early FY13 designs underway for the Remedial Measure Plan (Consent Decree) projects in order to keep the ball rolling until the ordinance amendment question is resolved. Martin also stated that a small business set-aside opportunity, specifically related to Remedial Measure Plan work, is being proposed and will likely be presented for Council consideration simultaneously with the proposed ordinance amendment.

In addition, he suggested that LFUCG review the right-of-way acquisition process, as it is very inefficient and delays projects.

Public Comment. No member of the public spoke.

On a motion by Gorton, second Henson, the meeting was adjourned at 2:20 PM.