



# UTILITY BOARD MINUTES

## SPECIAL HYBRID MEETING

### October 28, 2025

#### CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at approximately 5:02 pm from the Mercer Island Community and Event Center. Chief of Operations Jason Kintner conducted roll call.

Chair Brian Thomas, Vice Chair Steve Milton, and Board Members Meredith Lehr, Geraldine Poor (remote start), and Craig Olson participated in person. Board Members George Marshall and Todd White were absent.

#### PUBLIC APPEARANCES

There were no public appearances.

#### REGULAR BUSINESS

##### **Utility Board Regular Hybrid Meeting Minutes of September 9, 2025**

It was moved by Lehr; seconded by Olson to:

**Approve the Utility Board Regular Hybrid Meeting Minutes of September 9, 2025**

Passed: 5-0

##### **2026 EMS Rate Discussion & Recommendation**

Financial Analyst Ben Schumacher presented the EMS Rate Memo.

It was moved by Olson; seconded by Lehr to:

**Approve to increase the EMS Utility Rate by 4.97% for fiscal year 2026.**

Passed: 5-0

##### **2026 Water, Sewer and Stormwater Rate Discussion & Recommendation**

Consultants Angie Virnoche and Chase Bozette from FCS Bowman presented the Water, Sewer and Stormwater Rate Memos and rate study materials.

It was moved by Milton; seconded by Lehr to:

**Approve to increase the Water Utility Rate by 8% for the fiscal year 2026.**

Passed: 5-0

It was moved by Thomas, seconded by Olson to:

**Approve to increase the Sewer Utility Rate by 4.0% for the fiscal year 2026.**

Passed: 5-0

It was moved by Milton; seconded by Poor to:

**Approve to increase the Stormwater Utility Rate by 6% for the fiscal year 2026.**

Passed: 5-0

#### OTHER BUSINESS

Chief of Operations Jason Kintner discussed the amended SPU Contract agreement.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:15pm.

