City Manager's Office

DATE: August 4, 2025

SUBJECT: King County Regional Committees Update, July 2025

Regional Water Quality Committee (RWQC)

At its July 2 meeting, the RWQC:

- Directed staff to develop a motion in response to the Executive's July 1 letter and the Wastewater Treatment Division's (WTD's) proposed work plan. Committee leadership plan to ensure that the issues brought forth in the committee's letters to the County are reflected in the work plan.
- Received an update on the Puget Sound nutrient issue and the Washington State
 Department of Ecology's (Ecology's) draft voluntary Nutrient General Permit.
 WTD will request additional time to review and comment on the draft voluntary Puget
 Sound Nutrient General Permit and the Puget Sound Nutrient Reduction Plan from
 Ecology. WTD is also considering asking for a facilitated dialogue with Ecology and
 other impacted partners to better convey their concerns with the proposed permit.
- Heard about the timeline for work related to the Regional Wastewater Services
 Plan (RWSP). RWQC will be receiving monthly updates from WTD and the RWSP
 Working Group, who are in the process of developing proposals to form the basis of
 future technical and financial analysis.
- Heard a briefing on capital projects in the 10-year sewer rate forecast. In order
 from largest to fifth largest, the projects are: Mouth of the Duwamish, East Ship Canal,
 Elliott West, Offsite Level Controls, and West Point Electrical. The top three address
 regulatory issues related to combined-sewer overflows (CSOs) and the top fourth and
 fifth address asset management issues at treatment plants.

The next RWQC meeting is scheduled for September 3. Councilmember Conrad Lee serves on the RWQC.

Growth Management Planning Council (GMPC)

The GMPC did not meet in July. The next GMPC meeting is scheduled for September 17. Councilmember Jared Nieuwenhuis serves on the GMPC on behalf of Bellevue.

Affordable Housing Committee (AHC)

The AHC did not meet in July. The next AHC meeting is scheduled for September 4. Mayor Lynne Robinson serves on the AHC on behalf of the Sound Cities Association.

Eastrail Regional Advisory Council (RAC)

At its July 25 meeting, the RAC:

- Received a briefing on Eastrail northern connections in Woodinville and Snohomish County. Woodinville is creating a two-mile segment of Eastrail that will enhance regional connectivity, reduce congestion, and support economic growth, equity, and the environment. Trail-oriented development is planned along the corridor. Woodinville has secured grant funding for the project. Snohomish County's Centennial Trail South project will extend the existing Centennial Trail to Eastrail. When the Centennial Trail South project and Eastrail are complete, 72 miles of continuous trail will be available from the City of Snohomish to the City of Renton.
- Participated in a walking tour of the Woodinville Eastrail corridor area. RAC
 members and staff viewed the site of a future roundabout at the intersection of 133rd
 Avenue NE, Woodinville-Snohomish Road, and Little Bear Creek Parkway. The project
 will include a dedicated pedestrian and bike tunnel, improving safety and providing
 uninterrupted access for Eastrail users.

The next Eastrail RAC meeting is scheduled for October 31. Councilmember Claire Sumadiwirya represents Bellevue on the RAC.