



SPU Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC)

May 7, 2025, Meeting Summary
5:30 am – 7:30 am

*Chair: Aleema Gray
Co-Chair: Joe Camero
Secretary: Melanie Coerver*

Committee Members	Present	SPU Staff /Guests	Role
Joe Camero	Y	Casey Colley	SPU – SWAC Program Coordinator
Melanie Coerver	Y	Jeff Fowler	SPU Solid Waste Line of Business Deputy Director
Tareq Fayyad	N	Katie Kennedy	SPU Waste Diversion Planner
Aleema Gray	Y	Fatima Krubally	SPU Administrative Staff Analyst
Caitlin Singer	Y	Katie Jerauld	Guest-Ecology
Lisa Watkins	Y	McKenna M	SPU
Alissa Campbell	Y		
Erin Gagnon	N		
Paige Madden	N		
Chelsey Evans	Y		
Yongkang (YK) Zhou	Y		
Karia Wong	N		

1. Introductions and Icebreaker

2. Seattle Public Utilities Updates Jeff Fowler

- Jeff reviewed the updates pertaining to the Solid Waste Contracts, Solid Waste Facilities, Transfer Station Operations, Hazardous Waste Management Program (HWMP) 2025 Policy Priorities, Solid Waste Planning & Program Management Division.

3. SPU Lumber Salvage Warehouse & Construction and Demolition (C&D) Waste Management Katie Kennedy

- 4K per house 6k per commercial building for deconstruction offered
- Deconstruction is more labor involved and takes longer than demolition
- SCDI priority green incentive program, sent to SCL for quicker disconnect to help save money as time=money in demo and deconstruction. Sometimes the 4k-6k covers the cost difference.

- Creating circular economy for solid waste infrastructure for re-use. Awarded 4 million for pilot. Bidding is out and we will use the 4mill to help get it up and going.
- Trying to encourage choosing deconstruction over demolition
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5. Review and Approve March Meeting Minutes Aleema Gray, SWAC Chair

- Approved

6. Ridwell Tour Debrief Aleema Gray & Casey Colley

7. Seattle Department of Constuction & Inspections Solid Waste Amendments Casey Colley

- May 21st will be the earliest date it will be transmitted to City Councilmember and Aleema will be asked to send in the letter once its transmitted. More to come from Angela Wallis SPU Development Review Specialist.

8. SWAC Recruitment Update Casey Colley

- Applications close Friday 5/9 as of 5/7 at 3pm there are 13 applications for SWAC and 2 applications for CRP & SWAC.
- Application review will take place Thursday 5/15--need 1-2 SWAC members to help
- Those that move onto interviews will be asked to do so 5/28-5/30 and I will also need 1-2 SWAC members to help with interviews. Each will take 30 minutes or less. I will not know about how many interviews we will have until I see them next week once applications are closed. We have 4-5 seats with recruitment targets of: 2 Business Improvement Areas or Public Development Associations (BIAs/PDAs) serving community by affiliation or geography, 2 Community-based Organizations (CBOs) or individuals representing historically underrepresented communities, 1 waste-related businesses and/or solid waste contracted haulers

9. SWAC Comments

- Contamination Reduction Fact sheets--provide any feedback by Friday 5/16. SPU is particularly interested in their ideas on visuals/how to make these factsheets engaging. We don't need to wordsmith the text, unless something isn't clear.

10. Public Comments

- Katie Jerauld shared various programs and opportunities from Ecology.