

Bel Aire Utility Advisory Committee **Meeting Notes** Wednesday, October 15, 2025, 3:00 pm – 4:30 pm, City Hall Community Room

| 1) | Call to Order | Meeting | called t | to order | at 3:00 | pm |
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- 2) Roll Call: ___x_Dan Broyles, __x_Terry Ercolani, ___Antonio Kitt, ___x_Bill Moss Also in attendance: Ted Henry, Jim Benage, Princess Fonseca, Nick Bishop
- 3) Approval of today's meeting agenda Agenda approved with one addition—visit with Herschel West from Waste Connections (see addition below). Bill motion, Dan second; approved.
- 4) Approval of September 10 meeting minutes. None approved (meeting notes should be available next month).
- 5) New business:
 - A) Discussion with Herschel West of Waste Connections (added October 15, 2025)

 Herschel answered questions from UAC members. Comments: no additional plans to add to recycling list (used oil won't be added due to spill issues and plastic bags/film won't be added as it makes the automatic sorting equipment inoperative); trash should be bagged before going into the bins and recyclables should be loose in the bins; no plans to offer a smaller bin than current size. Waste Connections and City request this information from Bel Aire citizens for contract negotiation: 1) Are we happy with trash services? 2)

 Curbside pickup...once or twice per year? 3) Summertime garbage pickup start one hour earlier? Pro: trash pickup employees avoid more afternoon heat, con: trash truck noise starts an hour earlier.
 - B) Discuss Fall Curbside Cleanup and Fall Fest
 Curbside cleanup...no issues, happy with the service. Fall Fest...Waste Connections providing portable restrooms for the coming weekend event.
 - C) Baseline water plan: discuss what should be in the 2026 Water Conservation Plan
 - a. New baseline
 - i. Rolling average basis (suggested: two-year rolling average)
 - ii. Pre-restrictions basis
 - iii. Criteria: per-capita water usage—100 gallons/day/person (this seems reasonable)
 - b. Wichita water supplier permanent restrictions (three-day/week restriction on water spray irrigation)
 - D) Alternate water plan: discuss request from the City at last meeting
 - a. Consider a second approach for 2026 Water Conservation Plan—Bel Aire to self-manage water conservation instead of adopting waster supplier restrictions
 - b. Proposal: show that Bel Aire can identify proper goals, monitor the goals, and achieve goals
 - c. City has provided 8 years of water usage data and 8 years of rainfall data has been obtained along with population data; will review how we can use this to predict and manage water use.

UAC presented a draft presentation of an alternate water conservation plan. Generally well-received. Will need to make further changes: add bullets for smart meters; address what happens when we revert to Stage 1 Permanent Restrictions; need to identify trigger tolerances (such as, two-year rolling average); how often is usage checked (assume once per month, but can do more)

- E) October 2025 "Did You Know? Suggested: trash should be bagged before going into the bins and recyclables should be loose in the bins. Nick Bishop may write this for UAC.
- 6) Round table introductions and discussion of individual comments, suggestions, and concerns. None.
- 7) Next UAC activity: UAC meeting November 12

8) Old, Continuing, and Future Business: 2025 event schedule

9) Rainfall, year-to-date (through 9/30/2025)

| Location | Inches | Deviation from Average | |
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| Bel Aire | 34.0 | +3.2 | |
| Eisenhower Airport | 35.8 | +5.9 | |

10) Calendar:

- January 2025 2025 MWCP final draft review by UAC
- ◆ February 2025 2025 MWCP to be voted on and approved by UAC
- March 2025 2025 MWCP to be voted on at Bel Aire City Council Meeting
- May 17, 2025 Spring Curbside Clean-up
- October 4, 2025 Fall Curbside Clean-up
- 11) As may arise
- 12) Adjournment Motion to adjourn at 4:45 pm; Bill motion, Dan second; approved. Meeting adjourned.