

MINUTES

Washington County Flood Control Authority
Executive Committee
Washington County Administration Building
111 E Tabernacle, St. George, UT 84770
December 2, 2025

PRESENT

Executive Committee

Jimmie Hughes, St. George City Council via Zoom
Michele Randall, St. George Mayor via Zoom
Craig Coats, Washington City Council
Troy Belliston, Washington City
Karen Roundy, St. George City
Jay Sandberg, St. George City
Gil Almquist, Washington County Commissioner
Ben Shakespeare-Santa Clara City Council

Other

Paul Mogle, Washington City Engineer
Todd Edwards, Washington County
Camille Hastings, Washington County
Alicia Carlton, St. George City Legal
Rick Rosenberg, Rosenberg Associates
Steve Meismer, Virgin River Program

Welcome:

Troy Belliston called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm and welcomed everyone in attendance. It was determined that a quorum was present for voting on action items.

ACTION ITEMS

A. Approval of Minutes: November 18, 2025

MOTION: Motion by Craig Coats to Approve the November 18, 2025 minutes. Motion seconded by Commissioner Almquist and carried by a unanimous vote.

B. Open Public Hearing for 2025 Flood Control Authority Budget adjustments

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Almquist to Open the public hearing for 2025 Flood Control Authority Budget Adjustments. Motion seconded by Craig Coats and carried by a unanimous vote.

C. Close Public Hearing for 2025 Flood Control Authority Budget adjustments

No comments were made.

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Almquist to close the public hearing for 2025 Flood Control Authority Budget Adjustments. Motion seconded by Craig Coats and carried by a unanimous vote.

D. Approval of 2025 Budget

. **MOTION:** Motion by Michelle Randall to Approve the 2025 budget. Motion seconded by Craig Coats and carried by a unanimous vote

E. Open Public Hearing for 2026 Flood Control Authority Budget Approval

MOTION: Motion by Craig Coats to Open the public hearing for 2026 Flood Control Authority Budget. Motion seconded by Commissioner Almquist and carried by a unanimous vote.

F. Close Public Hearing for 2025 Flood Control Authority Budget Approval

No comments were made

MOTION: Motion by Craig Coats to close the public hearing for 2026 Flood Control Authority Budget. Motion seconded by Commissioner Almquist and carried by a unanimous vote.

G. Approval of 2026 Budget

MOTION: Motion by Craig Coats to approve the 2026 Flood Control Authority Budget for \$8,668,276.00. Motion seconded by Mayor Randall carried by a unanimous vote.

H. Approval of Work Agreement with Natural Channel Design to Update the Virgin River Master Plan for the Reach Between the Santa Clara River Confluence Downstream to the Utah State Line in the Amount of \$45,000

Rick Rosenberg-Rosenberg associates stated this was in the approved 2026 budget. This study would address the changes in the river since the last study was conducted.

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Almquist to Approve the Work Agreement with Natural Channel Design to Update the Virgin River Master Plan for the Reach Between the Santa Clara River Confluence Downstream to the Utah State Line, not to exceed \$45,000. Motion seconded by Craig Coats and carried by a unanimous vote.

I. Approval of Reimbursement agreement with Washington County to complete Vegetation removal in multiple reaches of the Upper Santa Clara River identified by the County to improve flood water conveyance by removing

excessive vegetation and woody debris from the Santa Clara River channel, not to exceed \$80,000.

Rick Rosenberg-Rosenberg Associates shared this agreement is a reimbursement agreement with Washington County to remove the excess vegetation out that has started to clog the riverway. Work would begin later in 2025 and early 2026.

MOTION: Motion by Craig Coats to Approve the reimbursement agreement with Washington County to complete Vegetation removal in multiple reaches of the Upper Santa Clara River identified by the County to improve flood water conveyance by removing excessive vegetation and woody debris from the Santa Clara River channel not to exceed \$80,000. Motion seconded by Commissioner Almquist and carried by a unanimous vote.

J. Approval of Reimbursement agreement with St. George City to complete vegetation removal in multiple reaches of the Sand Hollow Wash in the 200 North and Canyon Terrace Reach to improve flood water conveyance by removing excessive vegetation and woody debris from the Santa Clara River Channel not to exceed \$70, 000.

Rick Rosenberg-Rosenberg Associates shared this agreement is two line items in the budget one for \$40,000 and one for \$30,000 totaling \$70,000. The wash has become congested with vegetation in the last 20 years. The wash needs to be cleared out to prevent flooding of major city streets.

MOTION: Motion by Craig Coats to Approve the reimbursement agreement with St. George City to complete vegetation removal in multiple reaches of the Sand Hollow Wash in the 200 North and Canyon Terrace Reach to improve flood water conveyance by removing excessive vegetation and woody debris from the Santa Clara River Channel not to exceed \$70, 00. Motion seconded by Commissioner Almquist and carried by a unanimous vote.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Financial Update October 2025

Mrs. Hastings reviewed the fund balances with the approved changes.

B. Other Business

None presented. The Next meeting will be February 3, 2026.

MOTION: Motion by Craig Coats to Adjourn. Motion seconded by Commissioner Almquist and carried by a unanimous vote.

Adjourned: 05:36 PM

Minutes prepared by: Jayanne Lewis