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DATE: 5/9/2023

TIME: 09:00 a.m.

LOCATION: Executive Boardroom

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Robin Barnes, Chair | Alejandra Guzman | Maurice Sholas | Lynes Sloss | Janet Howard |

Strategy Committee Meeting Agenda

I. Roll Call

II. Presentation Items

A. Smart Meter Public Relations Engagement – Karen Snyder, Katz & Associates and Michelle Ganon, MFG Consulting

III. Discussion Items

- A. 2023 Legislative Session Update Christy Harowski, Chief of Staff
- IV. Public Comment
- V. Adjournment



Strategic Communications | Public Involvement | Community Relations







ABOUT K&A

The unique advantage K&A offers is a depth and breadth of experience in all things water.

Company Overview

- Founded in 1986 to support water and infrastructure projects
- National leaders in strategic
 communications and public outreach
- 35+ communications specialists
- 37 years in business
- Small/Woman-owned business



Helping people communicate effectively about things that matter.

MARKETS WE SERVE



Core Services

Strategic Communications Planning
Program Management Support
Community Outreach
Public Participation
Construction Relations
Crisis Communications
Media/Presentation Training
Facilitation
Branding/Creative
Collateral Development
Social Media
Media Relations
Public Meeting Implementation
Advisory Committee Support

Specialty Services

- Large CIP Programs
- Aging Infrastructure
- Alternative Water Supplies
- **Environmental Impact Reports/ Environmental Impact Statements**
- Hazardous Waste/Remediation
- **Stormwater**
- **Rates and Cost of Service**
- **Community/Transportation Planning**

OUR TEAM OF WATER COMMUNICATION EXPERTS

With our deep bench of practitioners and depth and breadth of experience, we can support nearly any communication challenge facing water utilities today.



SARA M. KATZ San Diego, CA

- Founder/CEO
- Water strategic communications
- Big program PIC



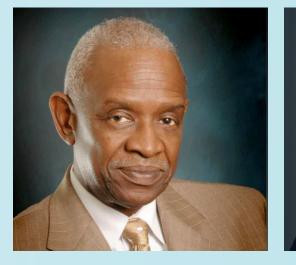
KAREN SNYDER Freeport, FL

- National water lead
- Large program lead
- Risk communications
- Media training



MICHELLE GANON Nashville, TN (previously NOLA)

- Public affairs strategist
- Strategic communications
- Stakeholder engagement



BILL ROUSELLE New Orleans, LA

- Community outreach
- Strategic messaging
- Public relations



Crisis





BRENT EIDSON San Diego, CA

• Direct utility experience and industry knowledge

 Communication planning and execution

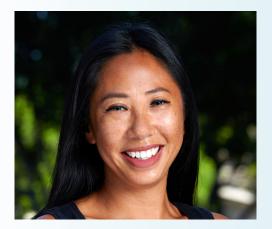
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TERRY FAIRCHILD Atlanta, GA

- National water/ wastewater expert
- LCRR technical lead
- Targeted outreach for difficult programs

BENCH TO DRAW FROM







































FIRST 100 DAYS

Listen, Learn and Engage

- Strategic Communications Workshop
- Materials/Media Audit
- Key Stakeholder Contact List
- One-on-one Stakeholder
 Discussions
- Qualitative Research
- Strategic Communications
 Framework/Plan

Establish Communications Foundations

- Optional Program Branding
- Base Informational Materials
- Website Update/Launch
- Database Planning
- Message Training



Build and Refine

- Internal SWBNO Program
 Orientation
- Spokesperson Training
- Top 50 Presentations
- Contractor Training
- Multi-program Coordination
- Tactical Implementation Planning



TAILORED TEAM OF NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED PRACTITIONERS



LOCAL EXPERTS WITH EXTENSIVE KNOWLEDGE OF NOLA





DEEP BENCH OF SUPPORT STAFF TO DRAW UPON AS NEEDED

UNMATCHED EXPERIENCE IN WATER INDUSTRY COMMUNICATIONS





USING VISUALS TO TELL YOUR STORY



Santa Barbara Sewer Lateral Inspection Program

Santa Barbara's Sewer Lateral Inspection Program (SLIP) aims to protect our community and environment from private or public sewer spills by ensuring your sewer lateral and the City's sewer main lines are in proper working condition. Below you will find information on the important responsibilities property owners have to maintain their private sewer lateral(s) and an outline of resources available to help you understand and meet these responsibilities.

SLIP helps ensure that the private element of the sewer system is properly inspected, maintained and repaired by the property owner. By doing so, this protects our community and environment by safely and effectively conveying wastewater to the El Estero Water Resource Center for treatment.

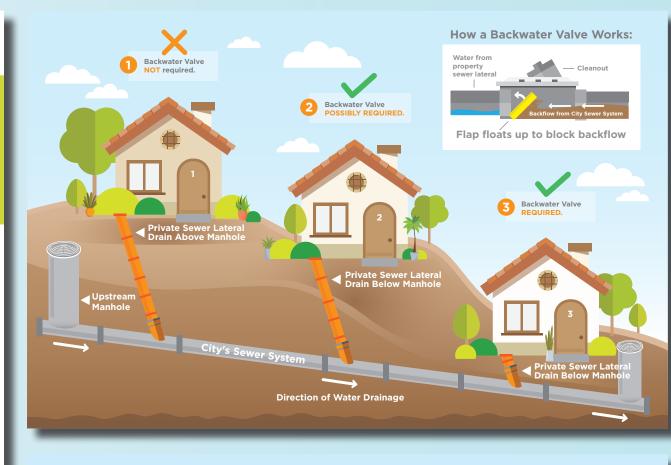
What is a Sewer Lateral?

A sewer lateral is the privately-owned pipe that connects the sanitary drains in the home or business to the City's sewer main line, with the connection point typically located in the street. Without proper maintenance, both the private property's and the City's infrastructure is at risk of costly and environmentally damaging impacts. Catching and fixing problems early – through inspection and repair – is always cheaper for you and the City rather than having to address problems after a sewer lateral fail.

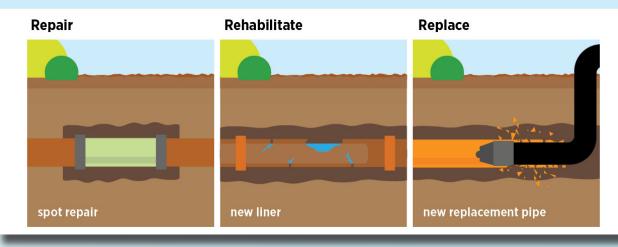
Maintaining a healthy wastewater collection system is everyone's responsibility



Typically, the connection point for the private sewer lateral is in the middle of the street or in an easement. The definition of ownership and responsibility is detailed in the Santa Barbara Municipal Code (Section 14.44.160) which is available at http://qcode.us/codes/santabarbara/.



What to consider when evaluating quotes and talking with your plumbing contractor...







Lincolnwood Neighborhood Meter Installation Map

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