

**Item Title: Wake County Water Partnership**

**Function:** The Water Partnership provides expertise and guidance on water-related issues in our community. Its mission is “To facilitate collaboration to promote leadership in water management and sustainability and promote health by providing high quality water throughout Wake County.” The partnership includes representatives from municipalities, well owners, water providers, agriculture, academics, environmental groups and the building industry and acts in an advisory capacity to identify new water related opportunities and challenges that impact the County. Currently, we have three subcommittees as follows:

Education and Outreach – Considers methods of educating the public concerning proper maintenance, operation and ownership of wells, septic systems and stormwater control devices.

Comprehensive Planning – Coordinates activities in the areas of integrated water management planning, drought planning and conservation of water resources through conservation strategies and technologies.

Green Infrastructure – Considers opportunities for green storm water infrastructure within the county that protect water resources while enhancing neighborhoods, parks, schools and other areas.

**Meeting Schedule:** The full Committee meets bimonthly on the second Friday of the month from 1-3pm. Subcommittees generally meet for 1 hour bimonthly depending on schedule set by chair. Additional information, along with a list of current members is available on our website: <https://www.wakegov.com/departments-government/water-quality-programs/wake-county-water-partnership>.

**Number of members total on Committee:** 26

**Number of appointments made by County Commissioners:** 26

**Item Title:** Waiver of Section 4 of the Board of Commissioners Policy and Procedure for Advisory Boards and Committee Appointments to Allow for the Reappointment of Two Water Partnership Members for a Fourth Consecutive Term.

**Specific Action Requested:**  
**That the Board of Commissioners:**

Approve a Motion and Vote to Waive Section 4 of the Wake County Board of Commissioners Policy and Procedures for Advisory Boards and Committee Appointments, which states: “No member shall serve more than three (3) consecutive terms (6 years) or a total of five (5) terms (10 years) in any one appointed position”, and to reappoint George Matthis and Suzanne Harris to a fourth consecutive term on the Water Partnership.

**Item Summary:**

The Wake County Water Partnership is requesting that the Wake County Board of Commissioners waive the three consecutive term limit restriction for Water Partnership Members George Matthis and Suzanne Harris. Each member is currently serving in their 3<sup>rd</sup> term and are up for reappointment on December 30, 2022. Removal of these members would be detrimental to the functioning of the Water Partnership and the Water Partnership is requesting to have these members reappointed for service beginning December 31, 2022 to December 30, 2024. Full Board of Commissioner approval is required to waive the three consecutive term limit restriction.

**Attachments: 6**

1. Item Summary
2. Membership List
3. Applicant Roster
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5. Board Choices
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