# King County Water District 90 Spring 2021

# **Newsletter**

#### Calendar

Board of Commissioner
Meetings (2:30pm)
First and Third
Tuesdays at the
District Office

#### Commissioners

Pete Eberle President Sam Amira Vice President Al Materi Secretary

#### **Contact Us**

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#### DISTRICT MILESTONES



Commissioner Byron Murgatroyd Retires. Byron Murgatroyd served the District as a Commissioner for over 22 years, since June of 1998. After 25 years of working as an actuary and business owner, Byron retired and later joined our District as a Commissioner, serving over the years in various roles as President, Vice President, and Secretary. With him came a wealth of knowledge and experience. His commitment to District customers was evident in the work he

performed. KCWD90 thanks Byron for his many years of excellent service, and we wish him the best of luck in his future endeavors.

Al Materi Appointed as New Commissioner. Al Materi joined KCWD90 as its newest Commissioner on March 16, 2021. A lifelong resident of Washington, Al has been a District customer for over 18 years. He graduated in 1981 with a BA in business from Western Washington University, and in 1984 he received an MBA from the University of Puget Sound. In February of 2020, Al retired from Boeing as a financial analyst after 30 years of employment. Prior to Boeing, Al was employed with King



County Blue Shield as an accountant, where he worked for six years. He has vast experience in business and accounting, with a heavy focus on capital management, cost management, budget development, long-term planning, and facilities management. Al is excited to be part of KCWD90's team. His goal is to maintain the District's infrastructure and to continue providing clean water at affordable rates. When Al isn't working, he enjoys being outdoors: camping, hiking, hunting, and dirt biking. He and his wife Chris have three daughters and two grandchildren, with one on the way.

KCWD90 welcomes AI, and we look forward to seeing him in action!



**20**<sup>th</sup> **Anniversary of Darcey Peterson**. Darcey Peterson joined the District as the Finance Manager in May of 2001. In October of 2014, Darcey was promoted to General Manager of the District. Darcey has a Business Degree from Western Washington University and holds a Water Distribution Manager, Level 3 Certification. She maintains that the GM job is challenging and incredibly rewarding. She is most proud of the team at Water District No. 90. "They are a professional,

hardworking crew and I trust them completely. Your water system is in good hands." Darcey lives in Black Diamond and is part of a large family from the Kent area. Say "hello" to Darcey the next time you come to a gardening class at the District.

#### 2021 Free Garden Classes

Date & Time	Class	Speaker
Wednesday, May 19, 2021 5:00 - 6:30pm	Automatic Sprinkler Systems – How to Water Your Yard and Garden Efficiently	Mark Guthrie, Landscape Water Conservation Program Manager at the Saving Water Partnership
Wednesday, July 7, 2021 5:00 - 6:30pm	Simply Lovely: Great Plants for NW Gardens	Emily Bishton, Landscape Designer and Environmental Educator
Wednesday, July 21, 2021 5:00 - 6:30pm	Designing for the NW Garden	Greg Rabourn, Educator and Radio Personality
Wednesday, August 4, 2021 5:00 - 6:30pm	Knockout Gardens: Winning the War on Water Use with Great Plants and Techniques	Marianne Binetti, Author and NW Horticultural Expert
Thursday, August 12, 2021 5:00 - 6:30pm	The Down and Dirty: Soil Building Secrets for Greener Gardens	Ea Murphy, Soil Scientist and Author
Wednesday, September 8, 2021 5:00 - 6:30pm	Perma-What? Designing Your Own Permaculture Paradise	Jessi Bloom, Best-Selling Author and Owner/Lead Designer of N.W. Bloom EcoLogical Landscapes

## **Utility Assistance for Low-Income Customers**

Pursuant to H.R. 1319, a \$1.9 trillion pandemic relif bill, our District anticipates that economic relief may become available for low-income water customers. If you need assistance with your water bill, or if you would like to be informed when help becomes available, please call our office to be added to our list.

Our District also offers a reduction in water rates to those that qualify. Our income thresholds have increased from last year, so if you didn't qualify then, you may qualify this now. To determine whether you qualify, the following requirements must all be met:

- You or your spouse are 55-years of age or older <u>OR</u> are permanently disabled.
- You are living in the residence and pay the water bill.
- For a single person, your total gross income is under \$35,000; for a married couple, your total gross income is under \$45,000.

Please call our office or visit our website for more information.

### **Emergency Notifications**

**Do we have your phone number and/or email address?** KCWD90 uses this information for emergency or shut-off notifications, and we do not share or sell your information. To update your contact information, email the District office at info@kcwd90.com or call us at (425) 255-9600.