

MEMORANDUM

October 26, 2022

Austin City Council

Case number: C7a-2022-0010

Re: Annexation of Water Quality Protection Lands in Travis and Hays Counties

Because the proposed annexation of approximately 3067 acres of Austin Water-managed Water Quality Protection Lands (WQPL) (Case number C7a-2022-0010) includes undeveloped areas that extend into Hays County, Austin Water and Austin Fire Departments agree to the following clarifications:

- 1. Austin Fire Department will provide fire protection services at a level that meets or exceeds current services provided in the area and that is at least equivalent to services provided to other City of Austin areas with similar topography, land use, and population density.
- 2. Austin Water Staff working in the annexed lands who call 9-1-1will be advised that their calls may be answered by Hays County Dispatch due to cellular tower locations. The Capital Area Council of Governments and COA/Travis County Dispatch will work with Hays County Dispatch to assure that emergency responses are routed correctly.
- 3. Austin Water manages these conservation lands. Austin Water does not provide centralized water and wastewater services to any of these lands and no service is planned. As with all Austin Water-managed conservation lands, the lands subject to this annexation are managed as endangered species habitat and for water quality protection and no residential development is allowed or planned under the Council approved Land Management Plans. The Land Management Plans also address wildfire risk and mitigation best practices and are reviewed by the Austin Fire Department.

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