



**WATER AND WASTEWATER COMMISSION
REGULAR CALLED MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, November 9, 2022**

The Water and Wastewater Commission convened in a regular meeting on November 9, 2022, at Austin Energy Headquarters, 4815 Mueller Boulevard, Austin, Texas.

Chair Lee called the Water and Wastewater Commission to order at 6:06 p.m.

Commission Members in Attendance: Chien Lee (Chair), Christianne Castleberry (Vice-Chair), William Moriarty (remote), Jesse Penn, Travis Michel (remote), Grant Fisher, Susan Turrieta

Commission Members Absent: Alex Navarro, Judy Musgrove

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

There were no speakers registered for Public Communication

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approve the minutes of the October 12, 2022, regular meeting of the Water and Wastewater Commission.

The minutes from the October 12, 2022, regular meeting were approved on Commissioner Penn's motion and Vice-Chair Castleberry's second on a 7-0 vote with Commissioners Navarro and Musgrove absent and two vacancies.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2. Recommend approval to award and execute a construction contract with Matous Construction Ltd., for Walnut Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) Gas Scrubber Systems Renewal project in the amount of \$6,375,000 plus a \$637,500 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$7,012,500. (District 1)

The motion to approve the recommendation was approved on a 7-0 vote on Commissioner Penn's motion, Vice Chair Castleberry's second, with Commissioners Navarro and Musgrove absent and two vacancies.

3. Recommend approval to award and execute a construction contract with Matous Construction, Ltd., for the Wild Horse Ranch Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) Expansion project in the amount of \$69,530,500 plus a \$6,953,050 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$76,483,550. (District 1)

The motion to approve the recommendation was approved on a 6-0 vote on Vice Chair Castleberry's motion, Commissioner Turrieta's second, with one recusal from Commissioner Penn, Commissioners Navarro and Musgrove absent and two vacancies.

4. Recommend to award and execute and negotiate an agreement with Texas Gas Service (Texas Gas), for the installation of a natural gas pipeline and service connection to the Rock Harbour Lift Station, in coordination with the Rock Harbour Lift Station Improvements project, in the amount of \$100,991. (District 10)

The motion to approve the recommendation was approved on a 7-0 vote on

Vice-Chair Castleberry's motion and Commissioner Turrieta's second with Commissioners Navarro and Musgrove absent and two vacancies.

5. Recommend approval to negotiate and negotiate a professional services agreement with CDM Smith Inc., (staff recommendation) or one of the other qualified respondents for Request for Qualifications Solicitation No. CLMP340 to provide engineering services for the Upper Tannehill Stormwater Improvements & Wastewater Interceptor Phase 1 project in an amount not to exceed \$3,500,000. (District 1, District 4)

The motion to approve the recommendation was approved on a 6-0 vote on Commissioner Penn's motion, Vice-Chair Castleberry's second with one recusal from Commissioner Michel and Commissioners Navarro and Musgrove absent and two vacancies.

6. Recommend approval to execute an amendment to the professional services agreement with CDM Smith, Inc., for additional construction phase engineering services for the North Austin Reservoir and Pump Station Improvements project in the amount of \$797,079 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$8,171,176. (District 7)

The motion to approve the recommendation was approved on a 7-0 vote on Vice-Chair Castleberry's motion and Commissioner Turrieta's second with Commissioners Navarro and Musgrove absent and two vacancies.

7. Recommend approval to award and execute a construction contract with Posillico Civil, Inc., for the William Cannon Drive, Running Water Drive to McKinney Falls Parkway project in the amount of \$21,366,910 plus a \$3,205,036 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$24,571,946. (District 2)

The motion to approve the recommendation was approved on a 6-0 vote on Commissioner Turrieta's motion, Vice-Chair Castleberry's second with one recusal from Commissioner Penn and Commissioners Navarro and Musgrove absent and two vacancies.

8. Recommend approval to negotiate and execute an amendment to the professional services agreement with Carollo Engineers, Inc. for professional engineering services for the Northeast (Wild Horse Ranch) Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion project in the amount of \$6,523,883 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$11,662,793. (District 1)

The motion to approve the recommendation was approved on a 6-0 vote on Chair Lee's motion, Vice-Chair Castleberry's second with one recusal from Commissioner Penn and Commissioners Navarro and Musgrove absent and two vacancies.

9. Recommend approval to negotiate and execute an amendment to the professional services agreement with K. Friese & Associates, Inc. for engineering services for Design and Bid phases for the South and Northwest Area Lift Station Improvements in the amount of \$550,395, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$4,197,395. (District 10)

The motion to approve the recommendation was approved on a 6-0 vote Commissioner Fisher's motion, Commissioner Penn's second with one recusal from Chair Lee and Commissioners Navarro and Musgrove absent and two vacancies.

10. Recommend approval to award and execute a construction contract with JKB Construction Company, LLC, for the Barton Hills Water & Wastewater Pipeline Renewal project in the amount of \$4,824,374 plus a \$482,438 contingency, for a

total contract amount not to exceed \$5,306,812. (District 5)

The motion to approve the recommendation was approved on a 7-0 vote on Vice-Chair Castleberry's motion and Commissioner Turrieta's second with Commissioners Navarro and Musgrove absent and two vacancies.

11. Recommend approval for additional contingency for the construction contract with Cedar Hills Construction, LLC for the Southwest Allandale Neighborhood Water and Wastewater System Renewal in the amount of \$635,456 for a total amount not to exceed \$5,845,461. (District 10)

The motion to approve the recommendation was approved on a 7-0 vote on Vice-Chair Castleberry's motion and Commissioner Turrieta's second with Commissioners Navarro and Musgrove absent and two vacancies.

12. Recommend approval to negotiate and execute an amendment to the professional services agreement with Halff Associates, Inc., for engineering services for the Fallwell Lane Capital Renewal project in the amount of \$5,000,000, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$8,000,000.

The motion to approve the recommendation was approved on a 6-0 vote on Vice-Chair Castleberry's motion, Chair Lee's second with one recusal from Commissioner Penn and Commissioners Navarro and Musgrove absent and two vacancies.

13. Recommend approval of an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Public Works Department Operating Budget Special Revenue Fund (Ordinance No. 20220817-004) to accept and appropriate grant funds in an amount of up to \$5,000,000.00 from the United States Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for the Texas COVID-19 Pandemic (DR4485) Hazard Mitigation Assistance grant program administered through the Texas Department of Emergency Management; and amending the Public Works Department Capital Budget (Ordinance No. 20220817-004) to transfer in and appropriate up to \$5,000,000.00 for the Fallwell Lane, Sand Hill Energy Center, and the South Austin Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant Access and Flood Potential Mitigation project.

The motion to approve the recommendation was approved on a 6-0 vote on Vice-Chair Castleberry's motion, Chair Lee's second with one recusal from Commissioner Penn and Commissioners Navarro and Musgrove absent and two vacancies.

14. Recommend approval of a resolution authorizing the issuance by Pilot Knob Municipal Utility District No. 2 of Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2022A, in a principal amount not to exceed \$5,900,000.

The motion to approve the recommendation was approved on a 6-0 vote on Commissioner Penn's motion, Vice-Chair Castleberry's second with one recusal from Commissioner Michel and Commissioners Navarro and Musgrove absent and two vacancies.

15. Recommend approval of a resolution authorizing the issuance by Pilot Knob Municipal Utility District No. 3 of Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2022A, in the amount of \$13,000,000.

The motion to approve the recommendation was approved on a 6-0 vote on Commissioner Penn's motion, Commissioner Turrieta's second with one recusal from Commissioner Michel and Commissioners Navarro and Musgrove absent and two vacancies.

16. Recommend approval of Service Extension Request No. 5575 for wastewater service

to a 0.62-acre tract located at 10802 D K Ranch Road within the Drinking Water Protection Zone, the City's Limited Purpose Jurisdiction and Austin Water's service area.

The motion to approve the recommendation was approved on a 7-0 vote on Vice-Chair Castleberry's motion and Commissioner Turrieta's second with Commissioners Navarro and Musgrove absent and two vacancies.

17. Recommend approval to negotiate and execute a cost participation agreement with Kor Real Estate Partners, LLC for the City to reimburse the developer for an amount not to exceed \$4,680,000.00 for costs associated with the design and construction of an oversized water main and appurtenances related to Service Extension Request No. 5206 that will provide water service to a proposed mixed-use development located at 4400 E. SH 71.

The motion to approve the recommendation was approved on a 7-0 vote on Vice-Chair Castleberry's motion and Commissioner Turrieta's second with Commissioners Navarro and Musgrove absent and two vacancies.

18. Recommend approval for additional contingency for the construction contract with PLW Waterworks, LLC for the Walnut Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant Tertiary Filter Rehabilitation project in the amount of \$252,180 for a total amount not to exceed \$28,047,020.56. (District 1)

The motion to approve the recommendation was approved on a 7-0 vote on Vice-Chair Castleberry's motion and Commissioner Turrieta's second with Commissioners Navarro and Musgrove absent and two vacancies.

REPORTS BY COMMISSION SUBCOMMITTEES

19. Update from the Austin Integrated Water Task Force. – **Commissioner Moriarty provided an update.**

STAFF BRIEFINGS

20. Staff briefing on Austin Water Construction Contracting update. – **Austin Water Assistant Director of Engineering Services, Shay Ralls Roalson, presented the briefing.**

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

21. Discussion of future agenda items
No new future agenda items were requested.

Chair Lee adjourned the meeting at 7:10 p.m. without objection.

PENDING ACTION:

The minutes were approved at the **January 18, 2023, regular meeting on Commissioner Moriarty's motion, Vice-Chair Castleberry's second on a 7-0 vote with Commissioners Musgrove and Turrieta absent and two vacancies.**