



**WATER AND WASTEWATER COMMISSION
REGULAR CALLED MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, November 8, 2023**

The Water and Wastewater Commission convened in a regular called meeting on November 8, 2023, at Austin Energy Headquarters, 4815 Mueller Boulevard, Austin, Texas.

Chair Turrieta called the Water and Wastewater Commission to order at 6:02 p.m.

Commission Members in Attendance: William Moriarty, Jesse Penn, Alex Navarro (remote), Sabrina Reichert (remote), Mike Reyes, Christopher Maxwell-Gaines, Marcela Tuñón Sion, Chair Susan Turrieta

Commission Members Absent: Sam Angoori, Vice-Chair Judy Musgrove

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

There were no speakers registered to speak.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of minutes from the October 11, 2023, regular meeting of the Water and Wastewater Commission.

The minutes from the October 11, 2023, regular meeting were approved on Commissioner Moriarty's motion and Commissioner Maxwell-Gaines' second on an 8-0 vote with Commissioner Angoori and Vice-Chair Musgrove absent and one vacancy.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

2. Recommend approval to execute a contract for pipe insulation and repair services with **Taurus Industrial Group**, for up to five years for a total amount not to exceed \$1,250,000. **Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on Commissioner Moriarty's motion and Commissioner Penn's second on an 8-0 vote with Commissioner Angoori and Vice-Chair Musgrove absent and one vacancy.**
3. Recommend approval to execute a contract for bottled water for emergencies with **King Daddy Distribution, LLC**, for up to five years in an amount not to exceed \$400,000. **Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on Commissioner Moriarty's motion and Commissioner Penn's second on an 8-0 vote with Commissioner Angoori and Vice-Chair Musgrove absent and one vacancy.**
4. Recommend approval to execute a contract a contract for liquid ferric sulfate with **Usalco Houston Plant, LLC**, for a term of five years for a total contract amount not to exceed \$4,700,000. **Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on Commissioner Moriarty's motion and Commissioner Penn's second on an 8-0 vote with Commissioner Angoori and Vice-Chair Musgrove absent and one vacancy.**
5. Recommend approval to execute five contracts for water utility components and accessories with **Act Pipe & Supply, Inc., Core & Main, LP., Ferguson US Holding, Inc., FJ Turner Company, Inc., and Superior Gaskets**, each for a term of five years in amounts not to exceed \$15,000,000, divided among the contractors. **Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on Commissioner Moriarty's motion and Commissioner Penn's second on an 8-0 vote with Commissioner Angoori and Vice-Chair Musgrove absent and one vacancy.**

6. Recommend approval to execute a contract for construction of the Braker Lane Extension from Samsung Boulevard to Dawes Place project with **Joe Bland Construction, LP**, in the amount of \$22,536,726 plus a \$2,253,673 contingency for a total contract amount not to exceed \$24,790,399. (District 1)
Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on Commissioner Moriarty's motion and Commissioner Penn's second on an 8-0 vote with Commissioner Angoori and Vice-Chair Musgrove absent and one vacancy.
7. Recommend approval to award and execute a contract for construction of the Little Walnut Creek Park Plaza Stream Stabilization project with **Austin Filter Systems, Inc.**, in the amount of \$2,110,940 plus a \$211,094 contingency for a total contract amount not to exceed \$2,322,034. (District 4)
Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on Commissioner Moriarty's motion and Commissioner Penn's second on an 8-0 vote with Commissioner Angoori and Vice-Chair Musgrove absent and one vacancy.
8. Recommend approval to authorize the issuance by Pilot Knob Municipal Utility District No. 2 of Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2023, in a principal amount not to exceed \$3,225,000.
Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on Commissioner Moriarty's motion and Commissioner Penn's second on an 8-0 vote with Commissioner Angoori and Vice-Chair Musgrove absent and one vacancy.
9. Recommend approval to authorize the issuance by Pilot Knob Municipal Utility District No. 2 of Unlimited Tax Road Bonds, Series 2023A, in a principal amount not to exceed \$3,475,000.
Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on Commissioner Moriarty's motion and Commissioner Penn's second on an 8-0 vote with Commissioner Angoori and Vice-Chair Musgrove absent and one vacancy.
10. Recommend approval to authorize the issuance by Pilot Knob Municipal Utility District No. 3 of Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2023, in the amount of \$7,500,000.
Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on Commissioner Moriarty's motion and Commissioner Penn's second on an 8-0 vote with Commissioner Angoori and Vice-Chair Musgrove absent and one vacancy.
11. Recommend approval to authorize the issuance by Pilot Knob Municipal Utility District No. 3 of Unlimited Tax Road Bonds, Series 2023A, in the amount of \$ 7,875,000.
Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on Commissioner Moriarty's motion and Commissioner Penn's second on an 8-0 vote with Commissioner Angoori and Vice-Chair Musgrove absent and one vacancy.
12. Recommend approval of an ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Austin Water Operating Budget (Ordinance No. 20230816-008) to increase the transfer in from Capital Improvement Program (CIP) by \$1,000,000, increase the transfer out by \$35,000,000, and decrease the transfers out from Capital Recovery Fee (CRF) to debt defeasance by \$19,000,000 for a net decrease in ending fund balance of \$15,000,000; and amending the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Combined Utility Revenue Bond Redemption Fund (Ordinance No. 20230816-008) to increase the transfer in from Austin Water Operating Budget by \$16,000,000, increase the other operating requirement expenditures by \$16,000,000, and increase the transfer in from the Water and Wastewater Reserve Fund by \$750,000 and increase other bond debt service requirement expenditures by \$750,000 to fund the debt defeasance.
Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on Commissioner Moriarty's motion and Commissioner Penn's second on an 8-0 vote with Commissioner Angoori and Vice-Chair Musgrove absent and one vacancy.

13. Appointment to Public Involvement Committee for Austin Water Cost of Service Study – **Chair Turrieta appointed Commissioners Jesse Penn, Sabrina Reichert and Alex Navarro to the Public Involvement Committee.**

REPORTS BY COMMISSION SUBCOMMITTEES

14. Update from the Joint Sustainability Committee – **Commissioner Maxwell-Gaines provided an update.**

STAFF BRIEFINGS

15. Staff briefing on Austin Water External Review: Fourth Quarter Update on Implementation of Recommendations – **Austin Water Director Shay Ralls Roalson provided an update and answered commissioner questions.**

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

16. Discussion of future agenda items – **No new items were requested by commissioners present at the meeting. Chair Turrieta noted a future agenda item requested previously by Commissioner Moriarty for an update on the aquifer storage and recovery project and Commissioner Maxwell-Gaines' prior request for an update on the proposed Landscape Transformation Ordinance.**

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Turrieta adjourned the meeting at 6:38 p.m. without objection.

The minutes were approved at the January 17, 2024, regular meeting on Commissioner Navarro's motion and Commissioner Maxwell-Gaines' second on a 8-0 vote, with 3 absent.