



**WATER AND WASTEWATER COMMISSION  
REGULAR CALLED MEETING MINUTES  
Wednesday, May 8, 2024**

**The Water and Wastewater Commission convened in a regular called meeting on May 8, 2024, at Austin Energy Headquarters, 4815 Mueller Boulevard, Austin, Texas.**

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

**Commission Members in Attendance:** William Moriarty (remote), Alex Navarro, Sabrina Reichert (remote) Mike Reyes, Shwetha Pandurangi, Vice Chair Christopher Maxwell-Gaines, Chair Susan Turrieta

**Commission Members Absent:** Jesse Penn, Sam Angoori, Judy Musgrove, Marcela Tuñón Sion

**PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL**

**There were no speakers registered to speak.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Approval of minutes from the April 17, 2024, regular meeting of the Water and Wastewater Commission.

**The minutes from the April 17, 2024, regular meeting were approved on Vice Chair Maxwell-Gaines' motion and Navarro's second on a 7-0 vote with Commissioners Penn, Angoori, Musgrove and Tuñón Sion absent.**

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION**

2. Recommend approval to negotiate and execute an amendment to the contract with **MGC Contractors, Inc.** for the Walnut Creek Primary Clarifier and Flow Equalization Basin Rehab project in an amount of \$127,300,000 not to exceed \$160,000,000. (District 1) **Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on Commissioner Pandurangi's motion and Vice Chair Maxwell-Gaines' second on a 7-0 vote with Commissioners Penn, Angoori, Musgrove and Tuñón Sion absent.**
3. Recommend approval to negotiate and execute a contract for pre-construction and construction services for Walnut Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion to 100 Million Gallons per Day (MGD) project with **MWH Constructors Inc.** in an amount not to exceed \$900,000,000. (District 1) Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on Commissioner Pandurangi's motion and Vice Chair Maxwell-Gaines' second on a 7-0 vote with Commissioners Penn, Angoori, Musgrove and Tuñón Sion absent. **Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on Commissioner Pandurangi's motion and Vice Chair Maxwell-Gaines' second on a 7-0 vote with Commissioners Penn, Angoori, Musgrove and Tuñón Sion absent.**
4. Recommend approval to amend the contract for engineering services for the Walnut Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant Headworks Improvements with **Carollo Engineers, Inc.**, in the

amount of \$9,000,000 for a revised total contract amount not to exceed \$14,700,000. (District 1)

**Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on Commissioner Pandurangi's motion and Vice Chair Maxwell-Gaines' second on a 7-0 vote with Commissioners Penn, Angoori, Musgrove and Tuñón Sion absent.**

5. Recommend approval to amend the contract for professional services for the Walnut Creek Primary Clarifier and Flow Equalization Basin Rehab project with **Black & Veatch Corporation**, in the amount of \$17,000,000 for a revised total contract amount not to exceed \$22,024,948.

**Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on Commissioner Pandurangi's motion and Vice Chair Maxwell-Gaines' second on a 7-0 vote with Commissioners Penn, Angoori, Musgrove and Tuñón Sion absent.**

6. Recommend approval to negotiate and execute an amendment to the contract for professional engineering services for the Walnut Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion to 100 Million Gallons Per Day project with **AECOM Technical Services, Inc.**, in the amount of \$71,000,000 for a revised total contract amount not to exceed \$131,000,000. (District 1)

**Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on Commissioner Pandurangi's motion and Vice Chair Maxwell-Gaines' second on a 7-0 vote with Commissioners Penn, Angoori, Musgrove and Tuñón Sion absent.**

7. Recommend approval to negotiate and execute a professional services contract for engineering services for the South Austin Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant Chemical Consolidation project with **CP&Y, Inc., dba STV Infrastructure**, in an amount not to exceed \$500,000. (District 2)

**Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on Commissioner Pandurangi's motion and Vice Chair Maxwell-Gaines' second on a 7-0 vote with Commissioners Penn, Angoori, Musgrove and Tuñón Sion absent.**

8. Recommend approval to execute a contract for construction services for the Westgate Neighborhood Wastewater Pipeline Renewal project with **Cedar Hills Construction, LLC**, in the amount of \$6,864,948 plus a \$686,495 contingency for a total contract amount not to exceed \$7,551,443. (Districts 2, 5)

**Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on Commissioner Pandurangi's motion and Vice Chair Maxwell-Gaines' second on a 7-0 vote with Commissioners Penn, Angoori, Musgrove and Tuñón Sion absent.**

9. Recommend approval to amend the contract for professional services for the Williamson Creek Wastewater Interceptor project with **CAS Consulting & Services, Inc.**, in the amount of \$586,721 for a revised total contract amount not to exceed \$7,046,716.

**Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on Commissioner Pandurangi's motion and Vice Chair Maxwell-Gaines' second on a 7-0 vote with Commissioners Penn, Angoori, Musgrove and Tuñón Sion absent.**

10. Recommend approval to negotiate and execute a cost participation agreement with **GP Decker, LLC** for the City to reimburse the developer for an amount not to exceed \$531,875.00 for costs associated with the design and construction of an oversized water main and appurtenances related to Service Extension Request No. 5713R that will provide water service to a proposed multi-family and light industrial development located at 9500 Decker Lane.

**Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on Commissioner Pandurangi's motion and Vice Chair Maxwell-Gaines' second on a 7-0 vote with Commissioners Penn, Angoori, Musgrove and Tuñón Sion absent.**

11. Recommend approval to negotiate and execute a cost participation agreement with **GP Decker LLC** for the City to reimburse the developer for an amount not to exceed \$2,960,100.00 for costs associated with the design and construction of an oversized lift station, force main and appurtenances related to Service Extension Request No. 5714R that will provide wastewater service to a proposed multi-family and light industrial development located at 9500 Decker Lane. **Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on Commissioner Pandurangi's motion and Vice Chair Maxwell-Gaines' second on a 7-0 vote with Commissioners Penn, Angoori, Musgrove and Tuñón Sion absent.**
12. Recommend approval to amend the contract for engineering services for the South Area and Northwest Area Lift Station Improvements with **CDM Smith Inc.**, in the amount of \$2,850,000 for a revised total contract amount not to exceed \$6,350,000. (District 1) **Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on Commissioner Pandurangi's motion and Vice Chair Maxwell-Gaines' second on a 7-0 vote with Commissioners Penn, Angoori, Musgrove and Tuñón Sion absent.**

### **STAFF BRIEFINGS**

13. Staff briefing on Walnut Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrades and expansion **Austin Water Assistant Director of Engineering Services, Charles Celauro presented a briefing and answered questions.**
14. Staff briefing on My ATX Water program implementation update **Austin Water Assistant Director of Customer Experience, Randi Jenkins presented a briefing and answered questions.**

### **COMMITTEE UPDATES**

15. Update from the Joint Sustainability Committee meeting regarding conservation and sustainability initiatives – **Vice Chair Chris Maxwell-Gaines provided an update.**
16. Update from Public Involvement Committee for Austin Water Cost of Service Study meeting regarding Austin Water's potential future rates and fees– **Commissioner Alex Navarro provided an update.**
17. Update from the Austin Integrated Water Resource Planning Community Task Force meeting regarding Water Forward Plan implementation and progress on plan updates – **Commissioner William Moriarty provided an update.**

### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Discussion of future agenda items – **Commissioner Navarro requested an update on the impact on Austin Water when areas are de-annexed from Austin's city limits.**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**Chair Turrieta adjourned the meeting at 7:01 p.m.**

***The minutes were approved at the June 12, 2024 regular meeting on Commissioner Penn's motion and Commissioner Musgrove's second on a 7-0 vote, with Commissioners Tuñón Sion, Navarro, Angoori and Pandurangi absent.***