WATER AND WASTEWATER COMMISSION
REGULAR CALLED MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, October 9, 2024

The Water and Wastewater Commission convened in a regular called meeting on October 9, 2024, at Waller Creek Center, 625 E 10th Street, Austin, Texas.

Chair Turrieta called the Water and Wastewater Commission to order at 6:04 p.m.

Commission Members in Attendance: Chair Susan Turrieta, William Moriarty (Remote), Alex Navarro, Shwetha Pandurangi (Remote), Jesse Penn, Mike Reyes, Marcela Tunon Sion, Amanda Marzullo

Commission Members Absent: Vice Chair Christopher Maxwell-Gaines, Judy Musgrove

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION: GENERAL
There were no registered public speakers.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of minutes from the September 11, 2024, regular meeting of the Water and Wastewater Commission.
   The minutes from the September 11, 2024, regular meeting were approved on Commissioner Penn's motion and Commissioner Navarro's second on an 8-0 vote with Vice Chair Maxwell-Gaines and Commissioner Musgrove absent.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION

2. Recommend approval to execute a contract for self-contained breathing apparatus air cylinders, air packs, and replacement parts with **Heat Safety Equipment LLC**, for up to five years for a total contract amount not to exceed $900,000. **Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on Commissioner Penn's motion and Commissioner Navarro's second on an 8-0 vote with Commissioners Musgrove, and Vice Chair Maxwell-Gaines absent.**

3. Recommend approval to negotiate and execute a cost participation agreement with **Sunfield Investments, LLC** for the City to reimburse the developer for an amount not to exceed $7,526,750 for costs associated with the design and construction of an oversized elevated water reservoir and appurtenances related to Service Extension Request No. 4747R that will provide water service to a proposed residential and commercial development located at 1300 Turnersville Rd. (District 5) **Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on Commissioner Penn's motion and Commissioner Navarro's second on an 8-0 vote with Commissioners Musgrove, and Vice Chair Maxwell-Gaines absent.**

4. Recommend approval to negotiate and execute a cost participation agreement with **CSW 10109 FM 969, LP** for the City to reimburse the developer for an amount not to exceed $4,255,000 for costs associated with the design and construction of an oversized wastewater lift station, force main, and appurtenances related to Service Extension Request No. 5428R that will provide wastewater service to a proposed multi-family development located at 10109 FM 969. (near District 1) **Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on Commissioner Penn's motion and Commissioner Navarro's second on an 8-0 vote with Commissioners Musgrove, and Vice Chair Maxwell-Gaines absent.**

5. Recommend approval of a resolution authorizing the negotiation and execution of an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the City of Austin and Travis County to update the Balcones Canyonlands Conservation Plan, in an amount not to exceed $650,000 over a five-year term. **Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on Commissioner Penn's motion and Commissioner Navarro's second on an 8-0 vote with Commissioners Musgrove, and Vice Chair Maxwell-Gaines absent.**

6. Recommend approval of a resolution authorizing the issuance by Southeast Travis County Municipal Utility District No. 1 of $4,780,000 Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2024. **Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on Commissioner Penn's motion and Commissioner Navarro's second on an 8-0 vote with Commissioners Musgrove, and Vice Chair Maxwell-Gaines absent.**

7. Recommend approval of an amendment to the contract for professional engineering services for the 2018 Reservoir Improvements Program with **Freese & Nichols, Inc**. in the amount of $1,084,217 for a revised total contract amount not to exceed $7,084,217. **Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission on Commissioner Sion's motion and Commissioner Pandurangi's second on a 7-0 vote with Commissioner Penn recusing, Commissioner Musgrove and Vice Chair Maxwell-Gaines absent.**

8. Discuss and approve the calendar year 2025 Water and Wastewater Commission meeting schedule. **No action taken.**

STAFF BRIEFINGS

9. Staff briefing on Austin Water's inventory of lead service lines. **Austin Water Operations Manager, Matt Cullen presented, and answered questions along with Water Regulatory Coordinator, Cristal Lindell, and Austin Water Director Shay Ralls Roalson.**

10. Presentation on water distribution system water loss report. **Austin Water Operations Manager, Matt Cullen and Andrew Chastain-Howley, Black and Veatch presented and answered questions.**

COMMITTEE UPDATES

11. Update from the Austin Integrated Water Resource Planning Community Task Force meeting regarding Water Forward Plan implementation and progress on plan updates **Commissioner Moriarty provided an update**

12. Update from the Joint Sustainability Committee meeting regarding conservation and sustainability initiatives **Vice Chair Maxwell-Gaines was not present to provide an update.**

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Discussion of future agenda items. **Commissioner Sion requested a report on the September 2024 water main break at Loop 360 & Spicewood.**

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Turrieta adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

The minutes were approved at the November 13th, 2024 regular meeting on Commissioner Penn's motion and Commissioner Reyes' second on a 6-0 vote, with Commissioners Pandurangi, Moriarty, Musgrove, and Vice Chair Maxwell-Gaines absent.