

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE
NORTH HARRIS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY

November 4, 2024

The Board of Directors (the "Board") of the North Harris County Regional Water Authority (the "Authority") met in public session, at 6:00 p.m. at the Authority's office located at 3648 Cypress Creek Parkway, Suite 110, Houston, Texas, a public meeting place within the boundaries of the Authority; whereupon, the roll was called of the duly constituted officers and members of the Board, to-wit:

Melissa Rowell	President
Kelly P. Fessler	Vice President
Ron Graham	Secretary
David Barker	Treasurer
Mark Ramsey	Director

All members of the Board were present, thus constituting a quorum. Also attending the meeting were: Mr. Jun Chang, P.E., D.WRE, General Manager for the Authority; Mr. Mark Evans, Director of Planning and Governmental Affairs for the Authority; Mr. Raj Singh, P.E., Engineering Manager for the Authority; Ms. Cynthia Plunkett, Finance Director for the Authority; Ms. Kibriana Bonner, Administrative Assistant for the Authority; Mr. John Howell of The GMS Group, L.L.C., co-financial advisor to the Authority; Mr. Andrew P. Johnson, III, Attorney and Mirna Croon, Paralegal, of Johnson Petrov LLP, General Counsel for the Authority; and Mr. Jerry Kyle of Orrick, Herrington, and Sutcliffe LLP, Bond Counsel for the Authority. Other members of the public and consultants to the Authority were also present at the meeting. Copies of the public sign-in sheets are attached hereto.

WHEREUPON, the meeting was called to order and evidence was presented that public notice of the meeting had been given in compliance with the law.

CALL TO ORDER

Director Rowell, Board President, called the meeting to order, and led the attendees in the Pledges of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Jerry Homan addressed the Board.

MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT AND BOARD MEMBERS

Director Fessler first addressed the agenda items to issue RFQs and emphasized their importance in successfully operating the Authority.

Director Graham commented on companies' lack of interest in doing business with the Authority and expressed his doubt in the Harris-Galveston Subsidence District providing relief.

Director Rowell commented on the need for better communication between Directors and consultants.

MINUTES OF OCTOBER 7, 2024 BOARD MEETING

The Board discussed whether the meeting minutes should be brief or detailed. Director Graham moved to postpone the approval of the minutes of the October 7, 2024 Board meeting until the next regular meeting, and with Directors Graham, Fessler, Barker, and Ramsey voting in favor, and Director Rowell voting nay, the motion passed.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT, INCLUDING MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT AND PAYMENT OF BILLS

Mrs. Plunkett reviewed the Authority's Financial Report with the Board, the checks being presented for payment, and a visual graph of the Authority's outstanding and projected debt obligations.

Director Graham moved to approve the Financial Report, including the checks being presented for payment and Director Rowell's expense report, and with Directors Graham, Rowell, Fessler, and Barker voting in favor, and Director Ramsey abstaining, the motion passed.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

- A. Status of Water Supply and Conversion. Mr. Walker provided an update on the progress of converting surface water within the current permit year and presented charts illustrating the conversion over time.
- B. Update on Status of Procurement of Internal Control Audit Services. Mr. Chang provided an update on the status of the procurement of internal control audit services and advised the Board that two firms were selected to submit proposals.
- C. Consider Adoption of Sixteenth Supplemental Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Authority's Senior Lien Revenue Bonds, Series 2024. Mr. Jerry Kyle reviewed with the Board a draft of the Sixteenth Supplemental Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Authority's Senior Lien Revenue Bonds, Series 2024.

Director Graham moved to adopt said Resolution, and with Directors Graham, Rowell, Fessler, and Barker voting in favor, and Director Ramsey voting nay, the motion passed.

- D. Authorize General Manager to Negotiate and Execute Interlocal Agreement with Harris County. Mr. Chang discussed the Interlocal Agreement with the Board.

Director Rowell moved to approve the Interlocal Agreement for a cost not to exceed \$75,000, and with all Directors present voting in favor, the motion passed.

OPERATIONS STATUS REPORT

Mr. McDevitt updated the Board on various operations in the region.

REPORT FROM DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Mr. Evans advised the Board that he had nothing new to report on at this time.

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Mr. Johnson advised the Board that it is required to canvass the results of the General Directors Election no later than the fourteenth day after the date of the election. The Board concurred to post notice of a canvassing meeting for both November 18, 2024 and November 19, 2024.

CONSTRUCTION/ENGINEERING UPDATE

A. Update on NEWPP Expansion Project. Mr. Walker provided an update regarding the NEWPP.

ENGAGEMENT OF CONSULTANT TO PREPARE ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSIS

Mr. Johnson requested that the Board authorize Johnson Petrov to further engage a firm to conduct a short form economic impact analysis on surface water conversion in the Authority.

Director Fessler moved to call the question, and with Directors Fessler, Graham, Barker and Ramsey voting aye, and Director Rowell voting nay, the motion passed.

Director Fessler then moved to authorize Johnson Petrov to further engage TXP to conduct a short form economic impact analysis for a cost not to exceed \$75,000, and upon full discussion, with Directors Fessler, Barker and Ramsey voting aye, and with Directors Rowell and Graham voting nay, the motion passed.

CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH BRESNEN ASSOCIATES, INC. ("BRESNEN")

Director Graham moved to authorize execution of the contract for services with Bresnen, and upon full discussion, with Directors Graham and Fessler voting aye, and with Directors Rowell, Barker, and Ramsey voting nay, the motion failed.

ISSUANCE OF RFQ FOR LOBBYIST

Director Graham moved to authorize the General Manager to issue an RFQ for a new lobbyist, and upon full discussion, with Directors Graham, Rowell, Barker, and Ramsey voting aye, and with Director Fessler voting nay, the motion passed.

ISSUANCE OF RFQ FOR GENERAL COUNSEL

Director Ramsey moved to postpone this item indefinitely, and upon full discussion, with Directors Ramsey, Graham and Barker voting aye, with Director Rowell voting nay, and with Director Fessler abstaining, the motion passed.

AMENDMENT TO AUTHORITY PRICING POLICY

This item was postponed.

ADDITION OF FAQ SECTION ON AUTHORITY WEBSITE

Director Ramsey moved to add a Frequently Asked Questions section to the Authority's website, and upon full discussion, with Directors Ramsey, Rowell, Graham, and Barker voting aye, and with Director Fessler abstaining, the motion passed.

AMENDMENT TO AUTHORITY PROCEDURAL RULES REGARDING PUBLIC COMMENT TIME AND OPPORTUNITIES

Director Rowell moved to amend the Authority Procedural Rules to eliminate public comments at the end of meetings, and upon full discussion, with Directors Rowell, Barker and Ramsey voting aye, and with Directors Fessler and Graham voting nay, the motion passed.

LETTER TO HARRIS-GALVESTON SUBSIDENCE DISTRICT

This item was postponed.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Director Rowell requested that an item for Directors to report what they learned in trainings be placed on future agendas.

BUDGET WORKSHOP AND NEXT REGULAR MEETING

Director Rowell advised that a budget workshop will be held on November 18, 2024, and the next regular meeting will take place on December 2, 2024.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments were made.

ADJOURNMENT

With no objection, Director Rowell adjourned the meeting at 8:03 p.m.

[EXECUTION PAGE FOLLOWS]

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED on the 2nd day of December, 2024.

Rob Buchanan
Secretary, Board of Directors

