

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING
FOR THE
NORTH HARRIS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY**

March 2, 2026

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. for a special meeting for a public hearing, 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:

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

All members of the Board were present, thus constituting a quorum. Also attending the meeting were: Mr. Jun Chang, P.E., BC.WRE, General Manager for the Authority; Mr. Mark Evans, Director of Planning and Governmental Affairs for the Authority; Ms. Kate David from Husch Blackwell, Real Estate Attorney for the Authority; Ms. Cynthia Plunkett, Finance Director for the Authority; Ms. Amber Batson, P.E., and Ms. Kitt Crabb, P.E., of Carollo Engineers, Inc., Program Manager for the Authority; Ms. Cassandra Medina, Administrative Assistant for the Authority; Mr. Andrew P. Johnson, III, Attorney and Mrs. Teresa Menacho, Paralegal, of Johnson Petrov LLP, General Counsel for the Authority; and other members of the public and consultants to the Authority. Copies of the public sign-in sheets are attached hereto.

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

GENERAL DISCUSSION REGARDING PUBLIC HEARINGS FOR THE AUTHORITY
PROJECTS WITHIN PUBLIC PARKS PURSUANT TO TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE
CODE CHAPTER 26

Mr. Mark Evans, Director of Planning and Governmental Affairs for the Authority stated that there would be 6 individual public hearings: one for each park to be affected by the projects, giving the public the opportunity to present any objections and/or any comments.

Mr. Evans gave the floor to Ms. Batson. Ms. Batson recounted the need for the Authority to acquire certain properties and property interests in various locations required by the Authority to construct, install, operate and maintain certain facilities to transport, distribute and deliver water to and within the Authority, known as Projects 39 and 40 (collectively, the "Projects"). She made

a presentation of the Projects. Ms. Batson explained that the best routes for the Projects would cross six public parks for which the Authority would need to obtain easements from the properties' owners. She continued by confirming that all the requirements of Texas Parks and Wildlife Code Chapter 26 for a public hearing had been met. Ms. Batson stated that she had met with each of the parks' owners to discuss their concerns and potential impacts from the Projects and identified how best to mitigate those concerns. In general terms, she explained that the Authority would need easements through each park for waterlines that would be located 4ft. below ground or deeper, and the affected areas of the park would be completely restored after construction to pre-existing or better condition. She indicated that the Authority would work closely with the owners to schedule the construction, and minimize disruption, and work diligently to take all the necessary safety precautions. Additionally, Ms. Batson stated that she will work closely with the appropriate arborists to minimize impacts on trees, to the extent possible.

Thereafter, Mr. Evans opened the floor to the public to discuss each public park location.

CHAPTER 26 PUBLIC HEARING FOR BRIDGESTONE PARK OPENED.

- A. Bridgestone Park. (Owned by Bridgestone MUD)
- a. Park Representative's Statement: No representative of Bridgestone MUD spoke at the meeting.
 - b. Public Comment: No public comment was received.
 - c. Authority's Presentation and Recommendation: Ms. Batson stated that this waterline would serve one of Bridgestone MUD's water plants and would be located in the back side of the park property adjacent to a Harris County Flood Control drainage channel, outside of the fenceline of the actual park. She indicated that other routes would impact roadways and access to the park proper, which is why the selected route was recommended. She indicated that she had met with Bridgestone MUD which had stated to her the importance of respecting already scheduled events at the park, which will be coordinated for incorporation into the design documents.

CHAPTER 26 PUBLIC HEARING FOR BRIDGESTONE PARK CLOSED.

CHAPTER 26 PUBLIC HEARING FOR SPRING GROVE PARK OPENED.

- B. Spring Grove Park. (Owned by Harris County Improvement District (HCID) 18)
- a. Park Representative's Statement: No representative of HCID 18 spoke at the meeting.
 - b. Public Comment: Mr. Nick Cooke with Coventry Development was present, who is the developer for the master planned community that is served by Harris County Improvement District No. 18. He made reference to the fact that their master plan

includes a future designated park along the easement and wants to confirm the same considerations are given for this future park.

- c. Authority's Presentation and Recommendation: Ms. Batson explained that multiple routes were evaluated and the recommended route that is least impactful to the community, businesses, and hospital parallels the Grand Parkway (Highway 99) and goes through the southern edge of Spring Grove Park, outside of any of the amenitized park areas. The proposed pipe would be underground and will not impact any future trails for the park. She acknowledged that the team had been advised by the developer of the district's future plans. Once those plans are finalized, they will be taken into consideration.

CHAPTER 26 PUBLIC HEARING FOR SPRING GROVE PARK CLOSED.

CHAPTER 26 PUBLIC HEARING FOR TIMBER LANE PARK OPENED.

C. Timber Lane Park. (Owned by Timber Lane Utility District)

- a. Park Representative Statement: Ms. Lori Aylett was present, representing Timber Lane Utility District. She made a statement detailing the concerns of Timber Lane Utility District. She indicated that she wanted to confirm other alternatives had been studied. She stated that there needs to be an agreement between the Utility District and the Authority to protect the facilities, as well as clearly designating areas for construction materials and construction workers' parking.
- b. Public Comment: No public comment was received.
- c. Authority's Presentation and Recommendation: Ms. Batson indicated that the routing study considered multiple alternatives. Other routes would have gone through the park proper and/or more roadways and/or the park entrance, creating significantly more community impact, which is why the route along the northern property boundary for Timber Land Park was recommended. She stated that the team has been working with Timber Lane Utility District's engineer to understand site constraints and discussed concerns related to how the park would be kept operational during construction, including temporary relocation of walking paths as needed. She indicated that the design team would coordinate with the district engineer on parking location and access to the construction area.

Director Ramsey asked where the parking area would be located, and Ms. Batson said it will be detailed in the easement agreement and the construction documents, as well as being strictly enforced during construction.

CHAPTER 26 PUBLIC HEARING FOR TIMBER LANE PARK CLOSED.

CHAPTER 26 PUBLIC HEARING FOR HCWCID 136 NATURE TRAILS OPENED.

D. HCWCID 136 Nature Trails. (Owned by HCWCID 136)

- a. Park Representative Statement: Mr. Tim Hardin was present, representing HCWCID 136 as their district engineer. Mr. Hardin wanted to make sure that other alternatives had been evaluated. He was concerned about access to their facilities and any restriction placed on its use. He also expressed concerns with limitations on their future surface usage (i.e. additional driveways or parking).
- b. Public Comment: No public comment was received.
- c. Authority's Presentation and Recommendation: Ms. Batson stated that multiple routes were evaluated during the routing study and that this route adjacent to the property boundary was the least impactful to the community. Other routes would have impacted significantly more pavement and access into the park itself. She reported that the waterline would be installed along the western edge of the park, and not on the roadway. She indicated the design engineer will coordinate with the district to temporarily relocate any trails impacted during construction to allow park amenities to continue to be utilized during construction. She added that the Authority's standard easement agreement allows for various surface improvements, including parking, driveways, and additional trails with approval from the Authority.

CHAPTER 26 PUBLIC HEARING FOR HCWCID 136 NATURE TRAILS CLOSED.

CHAPTER 26 PUBLIC HEARING FOR CHARLIE GANT PARK OPENED.

E. Charlie Gant Park. (Owned by HCMUD 43)

- a. Park Representative Statement: No representative for HCMUD 43 spoke at the meeting.
- b. Public Comment: No public comment was received.
- c. Authority's Presentation and Recommendation: Ms. Batson explained that the selected route had the least impact on the community, which is why it was recommended. Other routes would have impacted significantly more roadway and/or access to the park. She indicated that the waterline would be in an easement and be at least four feet below grade. The park is adjacent to the water plant that will be receiving surface water and thus unavoidable.

CHAPTER 26 PUBLIC HEARING FOR CHARLIE GANT PARK CLOSED.

CHAPTER 26 PUBLIC HEARING FOR JOHN PUNDT PARK OPENED.

F. John Pundt Park. (Owned by Harris County, operated by Precinct 3)

- a. Park Representative Statement: No representative for Harris County or the Precinct spoke at the meeting.
- b. Public Comment: No public comment was received.
- c. Authority's Presentation and Recommendation: Ms. Batson indicated that the water line is being routed to serve HCWCID 92, which will likely be the district to provide water service to the new Spring ISD high school, currently under construction. She explained that John Pundt Park is a county park within Precinct 3, and the proposed water line follows the road right-of-way that also goes through a corner of the park. This corner of the park property is not amenitized for use by residents. She reported that the team met with Harris County Precinct 3 who is in support of the project and is also interested in partnering with the Authority to create a trailway along the water line easement on the north side of Birnamwood Drive. Other alternative routes for the pipeline would have been within the roadway, which is not preferred by the County and would be more impactful to the community, thus why the route through the corner of John Pundt Park is the recommended route.

CHAPTER 26 PUBLIC HEARING FOR JOHN PUNDT PARK CLOSED.

ADJOURNMENT

With no additional comments from the public, the Board President closed the public hearing on the Projects pursuant to Texas Parks and Wildlife Code Chapter 26, and adjourned the special meeting at 6:40 p.m.

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PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED on the 6th day of April, 2026.


Secretary, Board of Directors

