

AGENDA

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND/OR OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS



SAN ANTONIO RIVER AUTHORITY

November 9, 2011, 2:00 p.m.

**Estimated Presentation Time: 1.75 hours*

GENERAL AND CEREMONIAL ITEMS:

Estimated Presentation Time: 5 minutes

1. **CALL TO ORDER BY THE CHAIRMAN, MR. GAYLON J. OEHLKE**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **ROLL CALL BY THE SECRETARY, MR. ROBERTO G. RODRÍGUEZ**
 - Gaylon J. Oehlke, Chair
 - Sally Buchanan, Vice-Chair
 - Roberto G. Rodríguez, Secretary
 - Terry E. Baiamonte, Treasurer
 - John J. Flieller
 - Hector R. Morales
4. **CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM BY THE SECRETARY**
5. **INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS**
6. **CITIZENS TO BE HEARD**

**Represents the time staff anticipate that it will take to make presentations or give briefings; does not include an estimate of the time required for discussions generated by Board members.*

7. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS HELD ON JUNE 8, 2011 AND ON SEPTEMBER 14, 2011**
8. **PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY OPTIONS FOR USE BY THE SAN ANTONIO RIVER AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS**
9. **PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING THE 2012 BOARD HANDBOOK UPDATES**
10. **EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.071 FOR CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY REGARDING THE ARANSAS PROJECT V. SHAW, ET. AL., CASE NO. 2:10-CV-00075 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS**
11. **PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION, AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING THE ARANSAS PROJECT V. SHAW, ET. AL., CASE NO. 2:10-CV-00075 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS**
12. **GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**
 - **DISTRIBUTION OF BOARD MEMBER'S PREFERRED E-MAIL ADDRESS FORM;**
 - **UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR;**
 - **FUTURE BOARD AND/OR COMMITTEE MEETINGS; AND**
 - **MEETINGS INVOLVING THE ATTENDANCE OF ONE OR MORE BOARD MEMBERS**
13. **ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION**
14. **NEXT MEETING DATE**
15. **ADJOURN**

Estimated Presentation Time: 1.75 Hours

SAN ANTONIO RIVER AUTHORITY
General Statements

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The Board of Directors' Executive Committee of the San Antonio River Authority may discuss and/or take action on any item listed in this agenda while convened in open session. The Board of Directors' Executive Committee and/or the Board of Directors of the San Antonio River Authority may also meet in Executive Session, pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, to receive advice from legal counsel on any item listed in this agenda.

Executive Committee

Date: 11/09/2011

Approval of the Minutes

Submitted For: Karen Bishop

Submitted By: Lupe Sanchez

Division: Executive Offices

CAPTION

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS HELD ON JUNE 8, 2011 AND ON SEPTEMBER 14, 2011

Presenter

Mr. Oehlke, Committee Chairman

Estimated Presentation Time: 5 minutes

Recommendation

Motion that the minutes of the Executive Committee meetings held on June 8, 2011, and on September 14, 2011, be passed and approved, as presented.

Discussion

Vote

Attachments

June 8, 2011, Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

September 14, 2011, Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

MINUTES

**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS'
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**



SAN ANTONIO RIVER AUTHORITY

June 8, 2011, 2:00 p.m.

GENERAL AND CEREMONIAL ITEMS:

1. **CALL TO ORDER WAS MADE BY THE CHAIRMAN, MR. GAYLON J. OEHLKE, AT 2:00 P.M.**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED**
3. **THE COMMITTEE SECRETARY, MR. ROBERTO G. RODRÍGUEZ, CALLED THE ROLL AND REPORTED THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**
 - Terry E. Baiamonte (Absent)
 - Sally Buchanan
 - A.D. Kollodziej, Jr. (Absent)
 - Hector R. Morales
 - Gaylon J. Oehlke
 - Roberto G. Rodríguez
4. **CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM WAS ANNOUNCED BY THE SECRETARY, MR. RODRÍGUEZ**
5. **INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS**

Ms. Sanchez reported that there were none.
6. **CITIZENS TO BE HEARD**

Ms. Sanchez announced that there were no citizens signed up to speak.
7. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MAY 11, 2011**

Staff recommended a motion that the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on May 11, 2011, be passed and approved, as presented.

Motion made by Sally Buchanan

Seconded by Hector R. Morales

Vote: 4 - 0 Passed

Other: Terry E. Baiamonte (Absent)

A.D. Kollodziej, Jr. (Absent)

8. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING FISCAL YEARS 2011/12 THROUGH 2014 JOINT ACTION PLAN BETWEEN THE SAN ANTONIO RIVER AUTHORITY AND THE SAN ANTONIO RIVER FOUNDATION

Staff recommended a motion indicating Executive Committee support for presenting to the San Antonio River Authority Board of Directors a recommendation to approve the Three-Year Rolling Action Plan between the San Antonio River Authority and the San Antonio River Foundation.

Motion made by Roberto G. Rodríguez

Seconded by Sally Buchanan

Vote: 4 - 0 Passed

Other: Terry E. Baiamonte (Absent)

A.D. Kollodziej, Jr. (Absent)

Attachments:

SARA-SARF Action Plan

9. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION, AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING THE UPDATE OF THE SAN ANTONIO RIVER AUTHORITY'S STRATEGIC PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012

There being no action taken on this item, Mr. Oehlke called for Agenda Item 10.

10. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATED WITH THE 82ND SESSION OF THE STATE LEGISLATURE AND THE 112th CONGRESS

There being no action taken on this item, Mr. Oehlke called for Agenda Item 11 and after appropriate disclosure in accordance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, the Open Meetings Act, Section 551.071, Mr. Oehlke then recessed to meet in Executive Session at 3:33 p.m. for consultation with attorney regarding the Aransas Project v. Shaw, et. al., Case No. 2:10-CV-00075 in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.071 FOR CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY REGARDING THE ARANSAS PROJECT V. SHAW, ET. AL., CASE NO. 2:10-CV-00075 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

The Executive Session having concluded, the Executive Committee Meeting resumed into Open Session at 3:52 p.m. at which time, Mr. Oehlke called for Agenda Item 12.

12. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION, AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING THE ARANSAS PROJECT V. SHAW, ET. AL., CASE NO. 2:10-CV-00075 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

There being no action taken on this item, Mr. Oehlke called for Agenda Item 13.

13. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT CONCERNING THE FOLLOWING:

- **UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR,**
- **FUTURE BOARD AND/OR COMMITTEE MEETINGS, AND**
- **MEETINGS INVOLVING THE ATTENDANCE OF ONE OR MORE BOARD MEMBERS**

There being no action taken on this item, Mr. Oehlke called for Agenda Item 14.

14. ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

With regards to the discussion under agenda item 9, Ms. Scott announced that at the next Executive Committee meeting, staff will present the results and accomplishments on SARA's fulfillment of its strategic plan and key actions and accountabilities (KAAs) for the fiscal year 2011 and also give an update on the expert's filings on the Whooping Crane Lawsuit. She also announced that follow-up for the financial leverage index and the project index will be presented at the next Fiscal Committee meeting.

Mr. Oehlke announced that Committee member Kollodziej informed him of his intent to resign.

15. NEXT MEETING DATE

Mr. Oehlke announced that the next Executive Committee meeting will be Wednesday, August 10, 2011, at 2:00 p.m.

16. ADJOURN

There being nothing further to report, Mr. Oehlke adjourned the Executive Committee meeting at 4:02 p.m.

PREPARED AND RECOMMENDED FOR COMMITTEE APPROVAL BY THE MANAGER.

SUZANNE B. SCOTT, General Manager

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AT THE MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 9, 2011.

GAYLON J. OEHLKE, Board Chairman

ATTEST:

ROBERTO G. RODRÍGUEZ, Board Secretary

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San Antonio River Authority/San Antonio River Foundation

Three-Year Rolling Action Plan

July 2011 – June 2014

NOTE: PRE-YEAR ONE AND YEAR ONE IN BLACK, YEAR TWO IN BLUE AND YEAR THREE IN RED.

Pre-Year One (prior to July 1, 2011)

I. Projects

- a. Mission Reach Concepción Portal Art Installation Phase A
 - i. Complete nine (9) art walls along with base portal construction
- b. Mission Reach Roosevelt Park Tree Signage
 - i. Design, create and install signage related to SARF funded trees planted in Roosevelt Park

II. Activities

- a. Confluence Park Site Planning Workshop (May 24, 2011)
- b. Co-host Museum Reach Fun 5K and Health Expo (May 28, 2011)
- c. Plan and implement Mission Reach Phases 1 and 2 Grand Opening (as of May 19, 2011 – tentatively scheduled for June 25, 2011)
- d. SARF Art Bench Event (Date TBD)

Year One (July 1, 2011 – June 30, 2012)

I. Projects

- a. Mission Reach Concepción Portal Art Installation Phase B
 - i. Enhance Plaza Floor
 1. SARF acquire appropriate approvals
 - a. Internal approvals from SARA and County
 - b. External approvals from ROC Mission Reach subcommittee, full ROC, PASA Board and HDRC
 2. Install enhancements
 - a. Estimated to begin by October 2011 – SARF to secure internal/external approvals prior to installation
 - b. SARF coordinate installation with SARA (and possibly COSA) to ensure continued public use of portal and trails
 - c. SARF/SARA coordinate efforts to promote installation to local community and media
 3. Operations and Maintenance
 - a. SARA to pressure wash and ensure public access/use of area
 - ii. Enhance former San Antonio River Oxbow
 1. Project still under consideration – if project moves forward, then see items 2 – 4 below
 2. SARF acquire appropriate approvals

- a. Internal approvals from SARA and County
 - b. External approvals from ROC Mission Reach subcommittee, full ROC, PASA Board and HDRC
 - 3. Install enhancements
 - a. TBD – SARF to secure internal/external approvals prior to installation
 - b. SARF coordinate installation with SARA (and possibly COSA) to ensure continued public use of portal and trails
 - c. SARF/SARA coordinate efforts to promote installation to local community and media
 - 4. Operations and Maintenance
 - a. SARF develop agreement with COSA
- b. Mission Reach Art Solicitation for San Jose, San Juan and Espada Portals
- i. SARA provide SARF portal footprints
 - ii. SARA provide SARF base portal designs and construction schedule when that information is available
 - iii. SARF creates RFQ using ROC approved themes and to include language identifying that efforts will be made to select a local artist for at least one portal project (specific language to be developed when RFQ is drafted)
 - iv. SARA review RFQ prior to its release
 - v. SARF issues RFQ
 - vi. SARF awards projects
- c. Mission Reach San Jose Portal Art Installation
- i. Project still under development (see item b above)
 - ii. SARF acquire appropriate approvals
 - 1. Internal approvals from SARA and County
 - 2. External approvals from ROC Mission Reach subcommittee, full ROC, PASA Board and HDRC
 - iii. Install enhancements
 - 1. TBD – SARF to secure internal/external approvals prior to installation
 - 2. SARF coordinate installation with SARA (and possibly County, COSA and NPS) to ensure continued public use of portal and trails
 - 3. SARF/SARA coordinate efforts to promote installation to local community and media
 - iv. Operations and Maintenance
 - 1. SARA O&M TBD
- d. Mission Reach Art Bench Installation
- i. Initial installation to include five (5) benches
 - ii. SARA/SARF to coordinate installation locations in Phase 1 and possibly Phase 2
 - iii. SARF acquire appropriate approvals
 - 1. Internal approvals from SARA and County
 - 2. External approvals from ROC Mission Reach subcommittee, full ROC, PASA Board and HDRC
 - iv. Install enhancements

1. TBD – SARF to secure internal/external approvals prior to installation
 2. SARF coordinate installation with SARA to ensure continued public use of Mission Reach trails
 3. SARF/SARA coordinate efforts to promote installation to local community and media
 - v. SARF identify/secure bench sponsors
 - vi. Operations and Maintenance
 1. SARA to pressure wash and ensure public access/use of area
- e. Museum Reach Bridge Railings Art Installation on Camden St., Newell St., Brooklyn Ave. and McCullough Ave.
- i. SARF acquire appropriate approvals
 1. Internal approvals from SARA
 2. External approvals from ROC Museum Reach subcommittee, full ROC, PASA Board, HDRC and COSA
 - ii. Install enhancements
 1. TBD as reflected in the prior approvals of design plans as executed by SARF
 2. SARF coordinate installation with COSA and SARA to ensure continued public use of Museum Reach trails
 3. SARF/SARA coordinate efforts to promote installation to local community and media
 - iii. Operations and Maintenance
 1. SARF develop agreement with COSA in coordination with SARA
- f. Museum Reach Asian Panels Art Installation
- i. Project still under consideration – if project moves forward, then see items ii – iv below
 - ii. SARF acquire appropriate approvals
 1. Internal approvals from SARA
 2. External approvals from ROC Museum Reach subcommittee, full ROC, PASA Board and HDRC
 - iii. Install enhancements
 1. TBD – SARF to secure internal/external approvals prior to installation
 2. SARF coordinate installation with SARA to ensure continued public use of Museum Reach trails
 3. SARF/SARA coordinate efforts to promote installation to local community and media
 - iv. Operations and Maintenance
 1. Consistent with existing SARA O&M of SARF Museum Reach projects
- g. Mission Reach Confluence Park Concept Plan Development
- i. SARF/SARA/stakeholders to further develop project scope and design into a phased plan for use in fundraising efforts
 - ii. Scope and design elements to include:
 1. Blending of art/science
 2. Environmental education opportunities
 3. Health equipment
 4. Concession concept

- iii. Operations and Maintenance
 - 1. SARA O&M TBD
- h. Mission Reach Espada Property
 - i. Operations and Maintenance
 - 1. SARA to secure property
 - 2. SARA to conduct initial clean-up of property
- i. Lower Basin Projects
 - i. Explore options and develop capital improvement implementation plan for the following areas:
 - 1. Helton-San Antonio River Nature Park in Wilson County
 - 2. Branch River Park in Goliad County
 - 3. Goliad Paddling Trail in Goliad County
 - 4. Saspamco Paddling Trail in Bexar and Wilson Counties
 - 5. Jackson Nature Park in Wilson County

II. Activities

- a. Events
 - i. Finalize event sponsorship funds sharing agreement
 - ii. Event Co-Hosting responsibilities:
 - 1. SARA lead event planning with SARF assistance unless identified otherwise
 - 2. SARF lead event fundraising with SARA assistance unless identified otherwise
 - iii. Co-Host the following events:
 - 1. Museum Reach River of Lights Festival (December 3, 2011)
 - 2. Mission Reach La Posada (TBD December 2011)
 - 3. Get Outdoors – associated with Mission Reach. NPS is also co-host and will assist with planning/funding (March 3, 2012)
 - 4. RiverTini. SARF will lead event planning and fundraising with support from SARA (Spring 2012)
 - 5. Museum Reach Fun 5K and Health Expo (May 26, 2012)
 - 6. Mission Reach Annual Event. Likely to be scheduled in June to correspond with National Rivers Month.
 - 7. Photo contest/event (Date TBD)
 - 8. Museum Reach concert series at Pearl amphitheater (Dates TBD)
 - 9. Discuss creation of new SARF Annual Fundraising Event. SARF will lead event planning and fundraising with support from SARA.
 - 10. Discuss River Rocks music event to determine feasibility
 - 11. Other events as necessary
- b. Environmental Education
 - i. Develop a coordinated environmental education program to include, but not limited to:

1. Coordinate environmental education messaging
 2. If/when needed, SARF Environmental Committee members may be utilized to deliver Mission Reach ecosystem restoration presentation and serve as Mission Reach walking tour docents or Roots in the River instructors. Appropriate discussions between SARA and SARF Environmental Committee members may be required to ensure message continuity
 3. Coordinate environmental education grant opportunities
- c. Tours
- i. SARA/SARF will inform the other when scheduling SARIP tours
 - ii. SARA/SARF will attend and/or assist tours scheduled by the other as necessary
- d. Lower Basin Activities
- i. Explore options and develop events and environmental educational implementation plan for in the following areas:
 1. Helton-San Antonio River Nature Park in Wilson County
 - a. Tentative annual event (TBD)
 - b. Tentative nature walks and other environmental education programs
 2. Branch River Park in Goliad County
 - a. Tentative annual disc golf event (TBD – likely in August 2011)
 - b. Tentative nature walks and other environmental education programs
 3. Goliad Paddling Trail in Goliad County
 - a. Fall flotilla (November 5, 2011)
 - b. Summer flotilla (June 2, 2012)
 4. Saspamco Paddling Trail in Bexar and Wilson Counties
 - a. Annual flotilla (TBD)
 5. Jackson Nature Park in Wilson County
 - a. Tentative nature walks and other environmental education programs

Year Two (July 1, 2012 – June 30, 2013)

I. Projects

- a. Mission Reach San Juan Portal Art Installation
 - i. Project still under development – further details to be included in next year’s SARA/SARF Action Plan
- b. Mission Reach Confluence Park Construction Phase 1
 - i. Project still under development – further details to be included in next year’s SARA/SARF Action Plan
- c. Mission Reach Espada Portal and Property Concept Development
 - i. Project still under development – further details to be included in next year’s SARA/SARF Action Plan

- d. Mission Reach Concessions
 - i. Project still under development – further details to be included in next year’s SARA/SARF Action Plan
 - ii. SARA/SARF to determine possible funding mechanisms to construct concession stations
 - iii. SARA/SARF to determine possible role for SARF to operate concessions
- e. Mission Reach Art Bench Installation Phase 2
 - i. Project still under development – further details to be included in next year’s SARA/SARF Action Plan
- f. Lower Basin Projects
 - i. Pursue, as feasible, projects from the lower basin capital improvement implementation plan as developed in year one of the SARA/SARF Action Plan
 - ii. Project still under development – further details to be included in next year’s SARA/SARF Action Plan

II. Activities

- a. Events
 - i. Event Co-Hosting responsibilities:
 - 1. Anticipated to be similar to year one –any changes will be included in next year’s SARA/SARF Action Plan
 - ii. Co-Host events
 - 1. Anticipated to be similar to year one, with the addition of the new SARF Annual Fundraising Event
 - 2. Any changes to the event list will be included in next year’s SARA/SARF Action Plan
- b. Environmental Education
 - i. Implement, as feasible, the coordinated environmental education program as developed in year one of the SARA/SARF Action Plan
 - ii. Coordinated environmental education program still under development – further details to be included in next year’s SARA/SARF Action Plan
- c. Tours
 - i. Continue tour coordination as defined in year one of the SARA/SARF Action Plan
- d. Lower Basin Activities
 - i. Implement, as feasible, the lower basin events and environmental education implementation plan as developed in year one of the SARA/SARF Action Plan
 - ii. Lower basin events and environmental education implementation plan still under development – further details to be included in next year’s SARA/SARF Action Plan

Year Three (July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014)

I. Projects

- a. Mission Reach Espada Portal Art Installation and Property Development
 - i. Project still under development – further details to be included in future SARA/SARF Action Plan
- b. Mission Reach Confluence Park Construction Phase 2
 - i. Project still under development – further details to be included in future SARA/SARF Action Plan

II. Activities

- a. Events
 - i. Event Co-Hosting responsibilities:
 - 1. Anticipated to be similar to year one –any changes will be included in future SARA/SARF Action Plan
 - ii. Co-Host events
 - 1. Anticipated to be similar to year two
 - 2. Any changes to the event list will be included in future SARA/SARF Action Plan
- b. Environmental Education
 - i. Implement, as feasible, the coordinated environmental education program as developed in year one of the SARA/SARF Action Plan
 - ii. Coordinated environmental education program still under development – further details to be included in future SARA/SARF Action Plan
- c. Tours
 - i. Continue tour coordination as defined in year one of the SARA/SARF Action Plan
- d. Lower Basin Activities
 - i. Implement, as feasible, the lower basin events and environmental education implementation plan as developed in year one of the SARA/SARF Action Plan
 - ii. Lower basin events and environmental education implementation plan still under development – further details to be included in future SARA/SARF Action Plan

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MINUTES

**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS'
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

SAN ANTONIO RIVER AUTHORITY

September 14, 2011, 2:00 p.m.



GENERAL AND CEREMONIAL ITEMS:

1. **CALL TO ORDER WAS MADE BY THE CHAIRMAN, MR. GAYLON J. OEHLKE, AT 2:00 P.M.**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED**
3. **THE COMMITTEE SECRETARY, MR. ROBERTO G. RODRÍGUEZ, CALLED THE ROLL AND REPORTED THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**
 - Gaylon J. Oehlke, Chair
 - Sally Buchanan, Vice-chair (Absent)
 - Roberto G. Rodríguez, Secretary
 - Terry E. Baiamonte, Treasurer (Absent)
 - John J. Flieller
 - Hector R. Morales
4. **CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM WAS ANNOUNCED BY THE SECRETARY, MR. RODRÍGUEZ**
5. **INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS**

Ms. Sanchez reported that there were none.
6. **CITIZENS TO BE HEARD**

Ms. Sanchez announced that there were no citizens signed up to speak.
7. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 10, 2011**

Due to a lack of quorum for the Executive Committee meeting held on August 10, 2011, there were no minutes to approve for that date. Staff will present for approval the minutes for the Executive Committee meeting held on June 8, 2011, at the next Executive Committee meeting.

8. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION, AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING A RESOLUTION OF THE SAN ANTONIO RIVER AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS SUPPORTING THE PASSAGE OF PROPOSED STATE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS NUMBERED PROPOSITIONS 8 AND 2 ON THE NOVEMBER 8 BALLOT, AS THEY ENCOURAGE TEXAS LANDOWNERS TO PRACTICE WATER STEWARDSHIP PRINCIPLES AND ALLOW THE TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION FUND BONDS UP TO SIX BILLION DOLLARS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PROJECTS LISTED IN THE STATE WATER PLAN

Mr. Oehlke suggested that the Committee discuss and vote on each proposition separately and if both should pass, then staff should present both propositions as one item on the consent agenda at the upcoming Regular Meeting of the Board.

After Committee discussion on Proposition 8, Mr. Flieller made a motion that the Executive Committee support and approve taking Proposition 8 to the full Board for approval.

Seconded by Hector R. Morales

Vote: 3 - 1 Passed

Nay: Roberto G. Rodríguez

Other: Terry E. Baiamonte (Absent)
Sally Buchanan (Absent)

After Committee discussion regarding Proposition 2, Mr. Morales made a motion in support of Proposition 2 going before the full Board for approval.

Seconded by John J. Flieller

Vote: 3 - 1 Passed

Nay: Roberto G. Rodríguez

Other: Terry E. Baiamonte (Absent)
Sally Buchanan (Absent)

Attachments:

Ten Constitutional Amendments
Water Stewardship Proposition Bill
TWDB Bonding Authority Proposition Bill

After appropriate disclosure in accordance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, the Open Meetings Act, Section 551.071, Mr. Oehlke then recessed to meet in Executive Session at 2:58 p.m. for consultation with the attorney regarding Agenda Item 9.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.071 FOR CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY REGARDING THE ARANSAS PROJECT V. SHAW, ET. AL., CASE NO. 2:10-CV-00075 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

The Executive Session having concluded, the Executive Committee resumed into Open Session at 3:37 p.m.

10. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION, AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING THE ARANSAS PROJECT V. SHAW, ET. AL., CASE NO. 2:10-CV-00075 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

There being no action taken on this item, Mr. Oehlke called for Agenda Item 11.

11. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT CONCERNING THE FOLLOWING:

- **UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR,**
- **FUTURE BOARD AND/OR COMMITTEE MEETINGS, AND**
- **MEETINGS INVOLVING THE ATTENDANCE OF ONE OR MORE BOARD MEMBERS**

There being no action taken on this item, Mr. Oehlke called for Agenda Item 12.

12. ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

Ms. Scott announced that an item regarding a change to the SARA policy pertaining to delinquencies, as well as a quarterly report on SARA's Key Actions and Accountabilities (KAAs), would be presented at the next Executive Committee meeting.

13. NEXT MEETING DATE

Mr. Oehlke announced that the next Executive Committee meeting will be Wednesday, October 12, 2011, at 2:00 p.m.

14. ADJOURN

There being nothing further to report, Mr. Oehlke called the meeting adjourned at 3:49 p.m.

PREPARED AND RECOMMENDED FOR COMMITTEE APPROVAL BY THE MANAGER.

SUZANNE B. SCOTT, General Manager

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AT THE MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 9, 2011.

GAYLON J. OEHLKE, Board Chairman

ATTEST:

ROBERTO G. RODRÍGUEZ, Board Secretary

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Constitutional Amendment Propositions on the November Ballot

PROPOSITION 1

The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to provide for an exemption from ad valorem taxation of all or part of the market value of the residence homestead of the surviving spouse of a 100 percent or totally disabled veteran.

PROPOSITION 2

The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of additional general obligation bonds by the Texas Water Development Board in an amount not to exceed \$6 billion at any time outstanding.

PROPOSITION 3

The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of general obligation bonds of the State of Texas to finance educational loans to students.

PROPOSITION 4

The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to permit a county to issue bonds or notes to finance the development or redevelopment of an unproductive, underdeveloped, or blighted area and to pledge for repayment of the bonds or notes increases in ad valorem taxes imposed by the county on property in the area. The amendment does not provide authority for increasing ad valorem tax rates.

PROPOSITION 5

The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to allow cities or counties to enter into interlocal contracts with other cities or counties without the imposition of a tax or the provision of a sinking fund.

PROPOSITION 6

The constitutional amendment clarifying references to the permanent school fund, allowing the General Land Office to distribute revenue from permanent school fund land or other properties to the available school fund to provide additional funding for public education, and providing for an increase in the market value of the permanent school fund for the purpose of allowing increased distributions from the available school fund.

PROPOSITION 7

The constitutional amendment authorizing the legislature to permit conservation and reclamation districts in El Paso County to issue bonds supported by ad valorem taxes to fund the development and maintenance of parks and recreational facilities.

PROPOSITION 8

The constitutional amendment providing for the appraisal for ad valorem tax purposes of open-space land devoted to water stewardship purposes on the basis of its productive capacity.

PROPOSITION 9

The constitutional amendment authorizing the governor to grant a pardon to a person who successfully completes a term of deferred adjudication community supervision.

PROPOSITION 10

The constitutional amendment to change the length of the unexpired term that causes the automatic resignation of certain elected county or district officeholders if they become candidates for another office.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

proposing a constitutional amendment providing for the appraisal for ad valorem tax purposes of open-space land devoted to water-stewardship purposes on the basis of its productive capacity.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Subsection (a), Section 1-d-1, Article VIII, Texas Constitution, is amended to read as follows:

(a) To promote the preservation of open-space land, the legislature shall provide by general law for taxation of open-space land devoted to farm, ranch, ~~[or]~~ wildlife management, or water-stewardship purposes on the basis of its productive capacity and may provide by general law for taxation of open-space land devoted to timber production on the basis of its productive capacity. The legislature by general law may provide eligibility limitations under this section and may impose sanctions in furtherance of the taxation policy of this section.

SECTION 2. The following temporary provision is added to the Texas Constitution:

TEMPORARY PROVISION. (a) This temporary provision applies to the constitutional amendment proposed by the 82nd Legislature, Regular Session, 2011, providing for the appraisal for ad valorem tax purposes of open-space land devoted to water-stewardship purposes on the basis of its productive capacity.

(b) The amendment to Section 1-d-1(a), Article VIII, of this constitution takes effect January 1, 2012.

(c) This temporary provision expires January 1, 2013.

SECTION 3. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 8, 2011.

The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the proposition: "The constitutional amendment providing for the appraisal for ad valorem tax purposes of open-space land devoted to water-stewardship purposes on the basis of its productive capacity."

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

proposing a constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of additional general obligation bonds by the Texas Water Development Board.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Article III, Texas Constitution, is amended by adding Section 49-d-11 to read as follows:

Sec. 49-d-11. (a) In addition to the bonds authorized by the other provisions of this article, the Texas Water Development Board may issue general obligation bonds, at its determination and on a continuing basis, for one or more accounts of the Texas Water Development Fund II in amounts such that the aggregate principal amount of the bonds issued by the board under this section that are outstanding at any time does not exceed \$6 billion.

(b) Section 49-d-8 of this article applies to the bonds authorized by this section. The limitation in Section 49-d-8 of this article that the Texas Water Development Board may not issue bonds in excess of the aggregate principal amount of previously authorized bonds does not apply to the bonds authorized by and issued under this section.

(c) A limitation on the percentage of state participation in any single project imposed by this article does not apply to a project funded with the proceeds of bonds issued under the authority of this section or Section 49-d-8 of this article.

SECTION 2. This proposed constitutional amendment shall be submitted to the voters at an election to be held November 8, 2011.

The ballot shall be printed to permit voting for or against the proposition: "The constitutional amendment providing for the issuance of additional general obligation bonds by the Texas Water Development Board in an amount not to exceed \$6 billion at any time outstanding."

Executive Committee

Date: 11/09/2011

Computer Technology Options

Submitted For: Suzanne B. Scott

Submitted By: Lupe Sanchez

Division: Executive Offices

CAPTION

**PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY OPTIONS FOR USE
BY THE SAN ANTONIO RIVER AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Presenter

Art Herrera

Estimated Presentation Time: 15 minutes

The Information Technology (IT) department has seen that the Board members' laptops are beginning to fail and need replacement. Staff have researched the iPads and laptops and it appears to be more economical to purchase the iPads. Staff will discuss with the Executive Committee the function and cost of purchasing iPads for use at meetings and the comparison to acquiring replacement laptops.

Discussion

Executive Committee

Date: 11/09/2011

2012 Board Handbook

Submitted By: Lupe Sanchez

Division: Executive Offices

CAPTION

PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING THE 2012 BOARD HANDBOOK UPDATES

Presenter

Lupe Sanchez

Estimated Presentation Time: 15 minutes

For the past two years, staff have updated the Board Handbook during the summer. Given this year's election, staff will be updating the Board Handbook in November and December. During the edit process, staff will incorporate any changes recommended by the Board. At the November 9 Executive Committee meeting, staff will seek the Committee's input into the update process.

Recommendation

Motion to be crafted, if necessary, after Committee discussion.

Discussion

Vote

Executive Committee

Date: 11/09/2011

Executive Session: Whooping Crane Lawsuit

Submitted For: Karen Bishop

Submitted By: Lupe Sanchez

Division: Executive Offices

CAPTION

**EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.071
FOR CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY REGARDING THE ARANSAS PROJECT V.
SHAW, ET. AL., CASE NO. 2:10-CV-00075 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR
THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS**

Presenter

Steve Raabe and David Ross

Estimated Presentation Time: 30 minutes

Discussion

Executive Committee

Date: 11/09/2011

Whooping Crane Lawsuit Briefing

Submitted For: Karen Bishop

Submitted By: Lupe Sanchez

Division: Executive Offices

CAPTION

PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION, AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING THE ARANSAS PROJECT V. SHAW, ET. AL., CASE NO. 2:10-CV-00075 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS

Presenter

Steve Raabe and David Ross

Estimated Presentation Time: 10 minutes

Recommendation

Motion to be crafted, if necessary, after Committee discussion.

Discussion

Vote

Executive Committee

Individual Items 12. - 14.

Date: 11/09/2011

GM's Report / Items for Future Consideration / Next Meeting Date

Submitted For: Suzanne B. Scott

Submitted By: Lupe Sanchez

Division: Executive Offices

12.

CAPTION

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT CONCERNING THE FOLLOWING:

- **DISTRIBUTION OF BOARD MEMBER'S PREFERRED E-MAIL ADDRESS FORM;**
- **UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR;**
- **FUTURE BOARD AND/OR COMMITTEE MEETINGS; AND**
- **MEETINGS INVOLVING THE ATTENDANCE OF ONE OR MORE BOARD MEMBERS**

Presenter

Suzanne B. Scott

Estimated Presentation Time: 10 minutes

Discussion

13.

CAPTION

ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

Presenter

Mr. Oehlke, Committee Chair

Estimated Presentation Time: 5 minutes

Discussion

14.

CAPTION

NEXT MEETING DATE

Presenter

Mr. Oehlke, Committee Chair

Estimated Presentation Time: 5 minutes

Unless otherwise decided by the Committee, the next Executive Committee meeting will be Wednesday, December 14, 2011, at 2:00 p.m.

Discussion

Executive Committee

Item #: 15.

Date: 11/09/2011

Adjourn

Submitted For: Karen Bishop

Submitted By: Lupe Sanchez

Division: Executive Offices

CAPTION

ADJOURN

Presenter

Mr. Oehlke, Committee Chairman
