

## MINUTES

### MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

#### SAN ANTONIO RIVER AUTHORITY

October 5, 2009, 2:00 p.m.



#### *GENERAL AND CEREMONIAL ITEMS:*

1. **CALL TO ORDER WAS MADE BY THE CHAIRMAN, MR. H. B. RUCKMAN III, AT 2:11 P.M.**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS CONDUCTED**
3. **THE SECRETARY, MS. ADAIR R. SUTHERLAND, CALLED THE ROLL AND REPORTED THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

- John J. Flieller**
- Hector R. Morales**
- Názirite Rubén Pérez**
- H. B. Ruckman III**
- Adair R. Sutherland**
- Thomas G. Weaver**

4. **CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM WAS ANNOUNCED BY THE SECRETARY, MS. SUTHERLAND**

5. **INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS**

Ms. Moreno announced the visitors present.

6. **CITIZENS TO BE HEARD**

Ms. Moreno announced that there were no citizens signed up to speak.

**7. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 8, 2009**

Staff recommended a motion to approve the minutes of the Operations Committee meeting held on September 8, 2009, as presented.

Motion made by Thomas G. Weaver

Seconded by Názirite Rubén Pérez

Motion passed unanimously

**8. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING REQUESTS FOR SARA TO ASSIST IN THE FINANCING OF PROJECTS AND STUDY EFFORTS THAT SERVE A COMMUNITY NEED AND ADVANCE SARA'S MISSION AND GOALS**

There being no action taken on this item and to accommodate visitors in the audience, Mr. Ruckman called for Agenda Item 10.

**10. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING SAN ANTONIO RIVER AUTHORITY PARTICIPATION WITH THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO AND POTENTIAL FINANCING OF A MASTER PLAN STUDY FOR THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO-INITIATED TAX INCREMENT REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER 31 KNOWN AS MIDTOWN**

Staff recommended a motion indicating Operations Committee support for a recommending to the San Antonio River Authority Board of Directors authorizing the General Manager to negotiate the terms and conditions of a Memorandum of Understanding with the City of San Antonio to finance, in an amount not to exceed \$350,000 with appropriate reimbursement arrangements from the proceeds from the TIRZ, and facilitate the development of a master plan study for the City of San Antonio-initiated Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Number 31 known as Midtown.

Motion made by Thomas G. Weaver

Seconded by John J. Flieller

Motion passed unanimously

Mr. Ruckman returned to Agenda Item 9

**9. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING A PROPOSED RESOLUTION BY THE SAN ANTONIO RIVER AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SAN ANTONIO RIVER AUTHORITY AND THE CITY OF UNIVERSAL CITY, TEXAS, FOR THE PURCHASE AND FINANCING OF EDWARDS UNDERGROUND WATER RIGHTS**

Staff recommended a motion indicating Operations Committee support for presenting to the San Antonio River Authority Board of Directors a recommendation to approve and authorize the General Manager to execute an Agreement between the San Antonio River Authority and the City of Universal City, Texas, for the purchase and financing of Edwards Underground Water Rights.

Motion made by John J. Flieller

Seconded by Názirite Rubén Pérez

Motion passed unanimously

Having already discussed Item 10, Mr. Ruckman called for Agenda Item 11.

**11. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION, AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN BEXAR-MEDINA-ATASCOSA COUNTIES WATER CONTROL AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1, BEXAR COUNTY, THE SAN ANTONIO RIVER AUTHORITY, THE BEXAR METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT, AND THE EDWARDS AQUIFER AUTHORITY RELATING TO A PROJECT TO UPGRADE MEDINA DAM AND FINANCING OPTIONS**

Staff recommended a motion indicating Operations Committee support for staff to present to the San Antonio River Authority Board of Directors a resolution authorizing the Board Chairman to execute an Interlocal Agreement between Bexar-Medina-Atascosa Counties Water Control and Improvement District No. 1, Bexar County, San Antonio River Authority, the Bexar Metropolitan Water District, and the Edwards Aquifer Authority relating to a project to upgrade Medina Dam.

Motion made by Thomas G. Weaver

Seconded by John J. Flieller

Motion passed unanimously

**12. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO RENEW THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT IN THE DOWNTOWN AREA FOR THE MUSEUM REACH SANITATION SERVICES**

Staff recommended a motion indicating Operations Committee support for staff to present to the San Antonio River Authority Board of Directors a recommendation that the General Manager be authorized to renew the interlocal agreement with the Public Improvement District in the Downtown Area for sanitation services in the Museum Reach.

Motion made by Adair R. Sutherland

Seconded by John J. Flieller

Motion passed unanimously

**13. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A CITY OF SAN ANTONIO INITIATIVE TO ESTABLISH A CENTRO PARTNERSHIP FOCUSED ON BUSINESS ATTRACTION AND RETENTION, PARKING AND TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT, AND REAL ESTATE ACQUISITION AND DEVELOPMENT WITHIN DOWNTOWN SAN ANTONIO**

Staff recommended a motion of the Operations Committee supporting presentation of a resolution to the San Antonio River Authority Board of Directors supporting the initiative by the City of San Antonio to establish a Centro Partnership focused on business attraction and retention, parking and transportation management, and real estate acquisition and development within downtown San Antonio and, further, encouraging the City of San Antonio to promote broad-based community input into the development of the vision for downtown while promoting openness and public accountability in the operation of the Centro Partnership.

Motion made by Thomas G. Weaver

Seconded by John J. Flieller

Motion passed unanimously

**14. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING RESOLUTIONS ASSOCIATED WITH FOUR PROPOSALS TO THE ALAMO AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS' SOLID WASTE GRANT PROGRAM:**

- **EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROJECT**
- **LOCAL ENFORCEMENT APPLICATION**
- **WILSON COUNTY'S HAZARDOUS HOUSEHOLD WASTE, EWASTE AND TIRE PICK-UP PROGRAM**
- **KARNES COUNTY HAZARDOUS HOUSEHOLD WASTE AND TIRE PICK-UP PROGRAM**

Staff recommended a motion indicating Operations Committee support for presenting to the San Antonio River Authority Board of Directors a resolution related to the AACOG Solid Waste Grant Program authorizing the General Manager to file a grant application of \$50,000 for an illegal dumping education program; a resolution authorizing the General Manager's filing of a grant application for \$10,000 for a surveillance camera; and support for presenting to the San Antonio River Authority Board of Directors a resolution related to the AACOG Solid Waste Grant Program affirming our commitment to support the projects proposed by Karnes and Wilson counties for hazardous household waste, e-waste, and abandoned tire pickup events with a cash match of \$2,000 each and in-kind staff support of \$1,200 each.

Motion made by John J. Flieller

Seconded by Názirite Rubén Pérez

Motion passed unanimously

**15. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO CONVEY A PERMANENT EASEMENT TO ENTERPRISE PRODUCTS OPERATING, LLC., ACROSS AND ALONG THE SAN ANTONIO RIVER IN KARNES COUNTY, TEXAS**

Staff recommended a motion indicating Operation Committee support for presenting to the San Antonio River Authority Board a recommendation to authorize the General Manager to convey a permanent easement across the San Antonio River to Enterprise Products Operating, LLC., for the purpose of replacing and maintaining a new two-inch natural gas line in Karnes County, Texas.

Motion made by Thomas G. Weaver

Seconded by John J. Flieller

Motion passed unanimously

**16. EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.072 FOR DELIBERATION CONCERNING THE PURCHASE, EXCHANGE, LEASE OR VALUE OF A NATURE PARK AND RIVER ACCESS SITE IN BEXAR COUNTY, TEXAS**

After appropriate disclosure in accordance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, the Open Meetings Act, Section 551.072, Mr. Ruckman then recessed to meet in Executive Session at 3:36 p.m. for deliberation concerning the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of a Nature Park and river access site in Bexar County, Texas. The Executive Session having concluded, the Operations Committee resumed into Open Session at 4:12 p.m.

**17. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING THE PURCHASE, EXCHANGE, LEASE OR VALUE OF A NATURE PARK AND RIVER ACCESS SITE IN BEXAR COUNTY, TEXAS**

Staff recommended a motion by the Operations Committee to support staff actions and proceed with negotiations on various acquisition opportunities for the property known as Truehart Ranch in Southern Bexar County.

Motion made by Thomas G. Weaver

Seconded by Názirite Rubén Pérez

Motion passed unanimously

**18. BRIEFING ON LAND RIGHTS ACQUISITION STATUS**

There being no action taken on this item, Mr. Ruckman called for Agenda Item 19.

**19. STATUS REPORT ON THE SAN ANTONIO RIVER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT**

There being no action taken on this item, Mr. Ruckman called for Agenda Item 20.

**20. 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. Ruckman called for Agenda Item 21.

**21. ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION**

There being no action taken on this item, Mr. Ruckman called for Agenda Item 22.

**22. NEXT MEETING DATE**

The next Operations Committee meeting will be Monday, November 2, 2009, at 2:00 p.m.

**23. ADJOURN**

There being nothing further to report, Ms. Sutherland moved to adjourn, and therefore, Mr. Ruckman called the meeting adjourned at 4:33 p.m.

**PREPARED AND RECOMMENDED FOR BOARD APPROVAL BY THE MANAGER.**

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**SUZANNE B. SCOTT, General Manager**

**APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' OPERATIONS COMMITTEE AT THE MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 2, 2009.**

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**H. B. RUCKMAN III, Committee Chairman**

**ATTEST:**

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**ADAIR SUTHERLAND, Committee Secretary**