

**NOTICE OF MEETING  
GUADALUPE-BLANCO RIVER AUTHORITY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

In accordance with the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (GBRA), whose principal office is in the City of Seguin, Guadalupe County, Texas, hereby gives notice of a meeting of its **BOARD OF DIRECTORS** to be held at the **GBRA River Annex, 905 Nolan, Seguin, Guadalupe County, Texas, at 10:00 a.m., on Wednesday, February 17, 2016.**

Subjects to be considered for discussion at such meeting include:

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair's consideration of posted notices. Pledge of Allegiance. Welcome guests. Comments from public.

**CHAIR ITEMS**

1. Consideration of and possible action approving a Resolution honoring 2016 Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority retiree James Lumley for his thirty-three (33) years of meritorious and faithful service.

**CONSENT ITEMS**

2. Consideration of and possible action approving the minutes of the January 20, 2016, Board meeting.
3. Consideration of and possible action approving the monthly financial report for January 2016.
4. Consideration of and possible action approving the monthly operations report for January 2016.
5. Consideration of and possible action approving Directors' expense vouchers.

**ITEMS FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION**

6. The Board may meet in Executive Session as authorized by the listed sections of Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, to discuss the following matters:
  - a. discuss or deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property including surface and groundwater rights, including, without limitation the acquisition of groundwater rights for GBRA's Mid-Basin Project in Gonzales and Caldwell Counties and the purchase of surface water rights in the Guadalupe River and San Marcos River watersheds, Section 551.072, Texas Government Code.

**GENERAL MANAGER ITEMS**

7. Discussion of the executive report addressing various matters relating to water resources planning including reports on Regional L Water Planning group activities, State funding issues, water reuse policies, Texas Water Development Board interregional conflict rules, GBRA's Mid-Basin Project (Groundwater and Surface Water components), Integrated Water Power Project and project funding applications, Lower Basin Storage Project and related regional planning and legislative issues, Lower Basin Appropriation (new) Project, Hydropower Regulatory Efficiency Act issues, water resources operation including engineering issues and related meetings, regional planning, consultations with the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, construction management reports relating to GBRA projects and to the FM 110 Bypass in San Marcos, FM 150 near Kyle, U.S. 183 near Lockhart, CR-266 in Caldwell County, rainfall and floodwater monitoring issues in the Guadalupe and Blanco River watersheds, safety issues, utility operations; Water Quality Division and Regional Laboratory reports, reports on the activities of GBRA's Regional Laboratory, sampling and other water quality-related activities, economic and community development reports including reports on the River Heritage Tour Project, Moonlight in the Gorge, reports on various community meetings, community outreach activities in the Guadalupe Basin, reports on demolition of structures at certain locations around Lake Wood/H-5, a Boy Scout project on Lake Wood/H-5 in the cleared areas, budget meetings with customers, project development reports relating to Johnson Ranch, Bulverde, Park Village and 4-S Ranch, Dunlap Area Utilities, Point Comfort, Port Lavaca, Canyon Lake wastewater master plan development, water and wastewater agreements and services provided in various communities throughout the Guadalupe Basin, GBRA's Lower Basin Project, property management reports, water supply studies in the Basin, Western Canyon reports, water supply

studies in the middle Guadalupe Basin, resource protection issues, lake management, water safety issues and ordinances, Zebra Mussels, flood management and recovery issues, issues related to log jams, reports from the Canyon Lake/Sattler office and the Gorge Preservation Society, reports on Lerin Hills and other subdivisions in and around Kendall County, public affairs reports including media reports, public outreach and social media, new website development, education reports, reports on the activities of the Environmental Learning Center, publications, Geographic Information Systems projects, special projects including outreach to various schools and presentation to students, Guadalupe-Blanco River Trust planning for newly acquired conservation easement at Coletto Creek, reports on marketing efforts, GBRA publications, grants, Board relations and public events, administrative reports, information technology reports, Human Resource reports, personnel matters, accounting, and finance reports, water supply and wastewater treatment contract activities.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

8. Consideration of and possible action authorizing the General Manager to negotiate and execute a Purchase Sale Agreement with S.J.W. Corp. (San Jose Water) to purchase Texas Water Alliance, Ltd (TWA), including without limitation, TWA's groundwater permit and groundwater leases in Gonzales and Caldwell Counties, Texas.
9. Consideration of and possible action authorizing the General Manager to negotiate and execute the purchase of water rights in the Guadalupe River Basin from the Thornton Family Investments, LP, descendants of former Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority Board member, General Manager and General Counsel Edward M. Cape.
10. Consideration of and possible action approving an amendment to the GBRA Fiscal Year 2016 Work Plan and Budget and the Rate and Rate Structures schedule included therein, to adopt a "Developer Reimbursement Fee" in the amount of \$2,000 per water connection and \$2,000 per wastewater connection, for each new connection within the Cordillera Development.
11. Consideration of and possible action authorizing the General Manager to negotiate and execute a Short-Term Partial Assignment of Interest from San Antonio Water System to Springs Hill Water Supply Corporation of 500 acre feet per year of raw water supply provided pursuant to the Water Purchase Contract Among Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority and Canyon Regional Water Authority and City of Cibolo, City of Marion, East Central Water Supply Corporation, Green Valley Special Utility District, Springs Hill Water Supply Corporation, and Bexar Metropolitan Water District.
12. Consideration of and possible action authorizing the General Manager to negotiate and execute a Contract for Professional Engineering Services with River City Engineering for development of a Wastewater Master Plan for portions of northern Guadalupe County and adjacent areas.
13. Consideration of and possible action authorizing the General Manager to negotiate and execute the Engineering Services Agreement with Freese and Nichols, Inc. for the Guadalupe Valley Hydroelectric Division and Canyon Hydroelectric Division.

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

14. Discussion regarding the activities and transactions of the Edwards Aquifer Authority, South Central Texas Water Advisory Committee, and the Guadalupe Basin Coalition.
15. Discussion regarding the activities and transactions of the Guadalupe-Blanco River Trust, the San Antonio Bay Foundation, the Gorge Preservation Society, and the Guadalupe River Foundation.
16. Discussion regarding Base Flow Report, Water Quality Index, and condition of the Guadalupe Basin.
17. Discussion regarding local and State water planning and water resource issues.
18. Discussion regarding national water planning and water resource issues.

### **ITEMS FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION**

19. The Board may meet in Executive Session as authorized by the listed sections of Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, to discuss the following matters:
  - a. seek advice from legal counsel about pending or contemplated litigation and the impact of pending or contemplated litigation on GBRA projects and proposed projects. This includes without limitation, the following matters: *LULAC v. Edwards Aquifer Authority* Civil Action No. 5:12-CV-00620 in the United States District Court for the Western District of Texas, San Antonio Division; *Ex Parte Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority*, on appeal to the Texas Supreme Court *sub nom.*, *Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority v.*

*Attorney General of Texas, et al; City of Luling v. GBRA*, Cause No. 15-O-544 in the 421<sup>st</sup> District Court of Caldwell County, *NBL-300 Group v GBRA Industrial Development Corporation*, Cause No. C2015-1988C in the District Court of Comal County, Texas, and other pending or contemplated court litigation; applications by New Braunfels Utilities for renewal and enlargement of its Gruene Wastewater Treatment Plant permit; GBRA's Mid-Basin surface water permit application pending before the State Office of Administrative Hearings and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality; other pending applications for reuse or bed and banks permits in the San Antonio and Guadalupe River Basins; matters relating to the regulation of withdrawals of water from the Edwards Aquifer for protection of historic uses, endangered species, and springflow to the Comal, San Marcos, and Guadalupe Rivers, including proposals for the supply of water from alternative sources; matters related to the supply of water from Canyon Reservoir and other water sources available to the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority, counsel issues related to water reclamation projects in the Guadalupe River Basin; the acquisition of surface water and groundwater rights for GBRA projects; amendments to water rights; agreements relating to water rights; matters relating to charges for water and wastewater services by GBRA; matters relating to water re-use impacting the Guadalupe River Basin matters relating to certificates of convenience and necessity held by GBRA (including without limitation, petitions to decertify and certify territory within GBRA boundaries and subsequent related actions); matters relating to real property within GBRA's statutory district; matters relating to the solicitation, receipt, opening, and/or evaluation of requests for proposals, requests for qualifications, and bids, including without limitation the Lower Basin Project and other bids for the construction of any facilities and/or the performance of any work or service, and relating to the actions taken or supposed to be taken by GBRA on such bids; and possible settlement of all such matters; Section 551.071, Texas Government Code;

- b. consult with legal counsel on matters within Section 551.071(2), Texas Government Code;
- c. discuss or deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property including surface and groundwater rights, including, without limitation the acquisition of groundwater rights for GBRA's Mid-Basin Project in Gonzales and Caldwell Counties and the purchase of surface water rights in the Guadalupe River and San Marcos River watersheds, Section 551.072, Texas Government Code;
- d. discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information, Section 551.087, Texas Government Code;
- e. deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee or hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee, Section 551.074, Texas Government Code

The Board may take final action on any of the before mentioned matters while convened in open session pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

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