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 **Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority William E. West, Jr., Annex Building, 905 Nolan, Seguin, Guadalupe County, Texas, at 10:00 a.m., on Wednesday, March 20, 2019.**

Subjects to be considered for discussion at such meeting include:

CALL TO ORDER

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

1. Comments from the public. **NOTE:** This portion of the meeting is intended for comments from the public on non-agenda item related topics. Please limit comments to <u>3 MINUTES</u>. To address the Board please <u>sign and completely fill out the Attendance Sheet</u> maintained at the entrance to the building where meeting is being held. NO RESPONSES OR ACTION MAY BE TAKEN BY THE BOARD DURING PUBLIC COMMENTS. To address the Board related to an item posted on the agenda for action or discussion, please indicate the Item number you wish to comment on using the Attendance Sheet. The Board will call individuals to make comments at the appropriate time.

CONSENT ITEMS

- 2. Consideration of and possible action approving the minutes of the February 20, 2019, Board meeting.
- 3. Consideration of and possible action approving the monthly financial report for February 2019.
- 4. Consideration of and possible action approving the monthly operations report for February 2019.
- 5. Consideration of and possible action approving Directors' expense vouchers.

GENERAL MANAGER/CEO ITEMS

6. The General Manager/CEO and staff may report on, and the Board may discuss, executive reports and/or issues relating to GBRA activities including without limitation, the following: GBRA water and sewer utility operations, hydroelectric operations, GBRA facilities management including plants and dams, safety, water resources planning and operation, construction management, economic and community development, project development, accounting and finance, records management, grants and financial assistance, human resources, information technology, communications, social media, education programs, resource protection, weather and climate, river flows and other scientific issues, non-profit entities partnering with GBRA, water quality services, community affairs, environmental programs, and stewardship.

ACTION ITEMS

- 7. Consideration of and possible action authorizing the General Manager/CEO to negotiate and execute a contract with the lowest responsible bidder for installation of a wastewater gravity main extension within Lakeside Pass in Guadalupe County.
- 8. Consideration of and possible action approving a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority authorizing the General Manager/CEO or his designee to be the representative(s) of GBRA for the purpose of furnishing information and executing documents as may be required in connection with the preparation and submission of applications to the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation in regards to the WaterSMART Grants: Small-Scale Water Efficiency Projects for Fiscal Year 2019.
- 9. Consideration of and possible action approving a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority authorizing the General Manager/CEO or his designee to be the representative(s) of GBRA for the purpose of furnishing information and executing documents as may be required in connection with the preparation and submission of applications to the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation in regards to the WaterSMART Grants: Water and Energy Efficiency Grants for Fiscal Year 2019.

- 10. Consideration of and possible action authorizing the General Manager/CEO to negotiate and execute a Utility Agreement with Hays County for construction of utility adjustments required for the FM 110 North highway project in Hays County.
- 11. Consideration of and possible action authorizing the General Manager/CEO to negotiate and execute a Contract with the lowest qualified bidder for construction of utility adjustments required for the FM 110 North highway project in Hays County.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 12. Presentation on the status of the Whooping Crane (*Grus americana*) by Dr. Wade Harrell, Whooping Crane Recovery Coordinator for U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service.
- 13. Presentation on freshwater mussels of the Guadalupe River basin by Dr. Charles Randklev, Research Scientist with Texas A&M Natural Resources Institute.
- 14. Presentation and discussion of Environmental Programs and Endangered Species Management at the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority.
- 15. Mid-Year presentation and up-date on GBRA's Fiscal Year 2019 Work Plan and Budget.
- 16. Discussion regarding Base Flow Report, Water Quality Index, long term weather pattern, and condition of the Guadalupe Basin.

ITEMS FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 17. 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. advice from legal counsel about pending or contemplated litigation, proposed settlements, 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* (United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit); *NBL-300 Group v GBRA* on remand to District Court from the 4th Court of Appeals, San Antonio; Application to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality by GBRA for GBRA's Mid-Basin surface water permit (State Office of Administrative Hearings); Applications to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality for a bed and banks permit filed by San Antonio Water Systems; Other contested applications to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality by GBRA for water rights or amendments to water rights; Section 551.071, Texas Government Code;
- b. briefing and advice from legal counsel relating to ongoing negotiations, potential liabilities and other matters covered by legal counsel's duty of confidentiality, including without limitation, legal and regulatory issues relating to GBRA's Carrizo Groundwater Supply Project, Caldwell and Gonzales Counties, briefing and advice from legal counsel relating to GBRA surface and groundwater rights and permits throughout the Guadalupe River Basin; Section 551.071, Texas Government Code;
- c. deliberation on matters relating to the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property interests and advice from legal counsel on those matters, including without limitation issues relating to the lease or ownership of groundwater and surface water rights in the Guadalupe River Basin and/or within the boundaries of GBRA and right-of-way acquisitions for GBRA-related projects within the boundaries of GBRA; Sections 551.071 and 551.072, Texas Government Code;
- d. appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer (including a senior executive manager) 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 above mentioned matters while convened in open session pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

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