GUADALUPE-BLANCO RIVER AUTHORITY Minutes of the Board of Directors January 17, 2024

The Board of Directors of the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority met in a regular meeting on January 17, 2024, at the GBRA Annex Building Board Room, 905 Nolan, Seguin, Guadalupe County, Texas. Directors present were Dennis Patillo, Sheila Old, Stephen B. Ehrig, William Carbonara, Patrick Cohoon, John Cyrier, and Robert Blaschke. Director Meador and Director Valdez were not present. Present in the Annex Building in Seguin, Texas were Darrell Nichols, General Manager/CEO; Jonathan Stinson, Deputy General Manager; Vanessa Guerrero, Executive Manager of Administration; Randy Staats, Executive Manager of Finance/CFO; Charles Hickman, Executive Manager of Engineering; Nathan Pence, Executive Manager of Environmental Science; David Harris, Executive Manager of Operations; Adeline Fox, Executive Manager of Communications and Outreach; and Joseph Cole, General Counsel.

Chairman Patillo called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and took note of the certifications presented that notice of the meeting had been properly posted in the office of the Secretary of State and at the GBRA office in New Braunfels, Texas, pursuant to Title 5, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code. A quorum being present, the following proceedings were had:

Director Carbonara led the Pledges of Allegiance to the United States flag and the Texas flag.

The Chairman then called for **Public Comments from the public.** There were no comments from the public.

The Chairman called for Consent Item 2 - Consideration of and possible action approving the minutes of the December 13, 2023 Board Meeting; Consent Item 3 - Consideration of and possible action approving the monthly financial report December 2023; Consent Item 4 - Consideration of and possible action approving the monthly operations report for December 2023; and Consent Item 5 - Consideration of and possible action approving Directors' expense vouchers for December 2023. Upon Motion by Director Old, seconded by Director Ehrig, the Board unanimously approved Consent Items 2, 3, 4, and 5.

The Chairman then called for General Manager/CEO Item 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: Safety Update, GBRA water and sewer utility operations, hydroelectric operations, GBRA facilities management including plants and dams, 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, public and private entities partnering with GBRA, water quality services, community affairs, environmental programs, stewardship, and update on GBRA Safety Work Plan. Amanda Buchanan, Safety and Risk Manager, stated there were no incidents or lost time reported during this period. During January, training focused on hazard recognition, electrical safety awareness, and lockout/tagout-construction safety series. The Hazard Mitigation Plan is 35% complete, with a workshop scheduled in January and two public engagement series scheduled for February. Site

visits this month focused on confined space job setup and safety analysis of high-risk work, and a TWCA Risk Management Fund Security Asset assessment and walk-through for the New Braunfels office. A HAZCOM inspection was conducted in December 2023 through the Texas Department of State Health Services. Physical area inspections started at the New Braunfels office, followed by two on-site visits at the Stein Falls wastewater treatment plant ("WWTP") and the Western Canyon water treatment plant ("WTP"). No violations were identified; however, one deficiency was noted for the Stein Falls WWTP regarding a recordkeeping requirement, and no deficiencies were noted for the Western Canyon WTP. Next, Adeline Fox, Executive Manager of Communications and Outreach, introduced and welcomed Christine Blain, GBRA's new Community Affairs Coordinator. Next, Vanessa Guerrero, Executive Manager of Administration, introduced and welcomed Ken Clinton, GBRA's new Facilities Manager. Next, Nathan Pence, Executive Manager of Environmental Science, updated the Board on GBRA's Habitat Conservation Plan ("HCP"), water quality, and the GBRA laboratory. To date, GBRA has received two Section 6 grants for the HCP, one in 2019 and one in 2023, totaling \$2,000,000. The HCP National Conference was held in November 2023 with three GBRA employees selected to present. Other events sponsored by GBRA included the Better Basin Days in early January 2024, which consisted of creating and deploying artificial habitat in Lake Dunlap to benefit the aquatic ecosystem's health and enhance fisheries. Volunteers were from GBRA, Texas Parks and Wildlife, Texas State University, the BASS Club, and the Preserve Lake Dunlap Association [DN1][JC2]. Lee Gudgell, GBRA Aquatic Biologist, jointly presented at the Society of Environmental Toxicology & Chemistry seminar with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service on a freshwater mussel ammonia toxicity study. A NELAP audit of the GBRA laboratory was conducted Fall 2023 to maintain the lab's accreditation. A report of findings will be issued early this year, and the lab will implement any corrections based on the report. Mr. Pence also briefed the Board on lab equipment purchased in 2023, including a total phosphorus digestion block, microbiology sample incubators, glassware dishwasher, and a total organic carbon analyzer. Lastly, the Seguin Youth Career Expo was recently held, and GBRA successfully participated as a way to expose students to future STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) careers relating to water resources. Next, Darrell Nichols, General Manager/CEO, discussed GBRA's continued goals are to further the environmental program and be a leader in environmental stewardship. Mr. Nichols also discussed the recent arctic weather event and GBRA's operations and lab preparations, which ensured there were no disruptions in operations or services. A Board work session will be held after the February 2024 Board Meeting to discuss water supply needs in the basin and GBRA's WaterSECURE initiative being developed to meet those needs.

Next, the Chairman called for Action Item 7 - Consideration of and possible action authorizing the General Manager/CEO to negotiate and execute an amendment to the Agreement for Professional Services for Development of the Guadalupe River Basin Habitat Conservation Plan between Blanton and Associates, Inc. and Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority. Daniel Large, HCP Coordinator, briefed the Board on the original professional services agreement from June 2021 with Blanton and Associates, Inc for the development of GBRA's Habitat Conservation Plan. The proposed amendment will enable GBRA to realize additional operational efficiencies in structuring and completing project tasks and implement needed modifications to the development of GBRA's HCP. The amendment will increase the project budget by an estimated \$300,000. The new revised completion date will be in late 2027,

upon issuance of an Incidental Take Permit from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Upon Motion by Director Carbonara, seconded by Director Cyrier, the Board unanimously approved Action Item 7 authorizing the General Manager/CEO to negotiate and execute an amendment to the Agreement for Professional Services for Development of the Guadalupe River Basin Habitat Conservation Plan between Blanton and Associates, Inc. and Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority.

The Chairman called for Action Item 8 - Consideration of and possible action approving a Resolution by the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority declaring a public necessity for the acquisition of certain treated pipeline easements and temporary construction easements for the Western Canyon Hwy. 46 Treated Water Pipeline Relocation Project in connection therewith, over, across, upon and under certain privately owned real properties; authorizing all appropriate action by the General Manager/CEO, staff, retained attorneys and engineering and technical consultants in the institution and prosecution of condemnation proceedings to acquire any such needed easements and temporary construction easements and related rights of ingress and egress that cannot be acquired through negotiation; declaring further negotiations futile; ratifying and affirming all acts and proceedings heretofore done or initiated by employees, agents, and attorneys of GBRA to acquire such property interests including necessary acts for any applicable lienholders for such properties; authorizing all other lawful action necessary and incidental to such acquisitions or eminent domain proceedings to survey, specify, define, and secure the necessary interests in real property; declaring the sections of the Resolution to be severable one from the other in the event any section of the Resolution is determined to be invalid; said property to be identified to wit:

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A copy of the Resolution is attached and made a part of these minutes.

The Chairman called for Action Item 9 - Consideration of and possible action authorizing the General Manager/CEO to submit a grant application to the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) seeking funding for Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority, as the regional sponsor, to administer the development of the 2028 Regional Flood Plan for Region 11; and, if awarded, to negotiate and execute a contract with TWDB to hire a technical consultant to develop the 2028 Regional Flood Plan for Region 11. Lauren Willis, Director of Regulatory and Customer Affairs, briefed the Board on the historical details of the flood planning process. The Guadalupe Regional Flood Planning Group was established by the Texas Water Development Board ("TWDB") in October 2020, and GBRA was selected by the planning group to be the region 11 administrator. The TWDB is accepting grant applications for the second planning cycle to develop the 2028 Regional Flood Plan for Region 11. GBRA seeks to apply for the grant application to the TWDB and enter into a contract with the TWDB to hire a technical consultant to develop the 2028 Regional Flood Plan for Region 11. Upon Motion by Director Carbonara, seconded by Director Old, the Board unanimously approved Action Item 9 authorizing the General Manager/CEO to submit a grant application to the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) seeking funding for Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority, as the regional sponsor, to administer the development of the 2028 Regional Flood Plan for Region 11; and, if awarded, to negotiate and execute a contract with TWDB to hire a technical consultant to develop the 2028 Regional Flood Plan for Region 11.

The Chairman called for Action Item 10 - Consideration of and possible action authorizing the General Manager/CEO to negotiate and execute a contract with a technical consultant on behalf of the Region 11 Guadalupe Regional Flood Planning Group. Lauren Willis, Director of Regulatory and Customer Affairs, is seeking authorization for GBRA, as designated administrator of the Region 11 Guadalupe Regional Flood Planning Group, to enter into an agreement with the technical consultant to develop the 2028 Guadalupe Regional Flood Plan. If GBRA receives a grant and enters into a contract with TWDB to hire a technical consultant, GBRA will negotiate and execute a contract with the technical consultant on behalf of the Regional Flood Planning Group. The scope and fee are defined by the TWDB. Upon Motion by Director Blaschke, seconded by Director Carbonara, the Board unanimously approved Action Item 10 authorizing the General Manager/CEO to negotiate and execute a contract with a technical consultant on behalf of the Region 11 Guadalupe Regional Flood Planning Group.

The Chairman called for Action Item 11 - Consideration of and possible action approving updates to the GBRA Strategic Plan for 2023 - 2028. Lauren Willis, Director of Regulatory and Customer Affairs, provided a brief history of the GBRA Strategic Plan for 2023 - 2028. The Strategic Plan implementation team is comprised of seven GBRA staff members and is involved in tracking all aspects of the plan. GBRA is in year two of the current plan. Ms. Willis discussed aspects of the plan, including GBRA's promise and commitment to "lead cooperative stewardship of the water resources within the Guadalupe River Basin to promote quality of life for all." The five strategic goals are to focus on the future, operational excellence, cooperative

collaboration, investment in our people, and integrated communications. GBRA is suggesting the following initiatives to be added to the current plan: engaging with communities and organizations participating in One Water Initiatives; identifying One Water strategies within GBRA Operations; and enhancing community education programming to improve conservation awareness. Also, GBRA would like to combine two existing initiatives into one new initiative. The new initiative proposed would be the development of WaterSECURE, which will include connect two previously identified water supply projects, and would be sourced from GBRA's existing surface water rights. Some of the existing key performance indicators ("KPIs") for the initiatives are being clarified and updated including target completion dates. Upon Motion by Director Carbonara, seconded by Director Ehrig, the Board unanimously approved Action Item 11 approving updates to the GBRA Strategic Plan for 2023 - 2028.

Next, the Chairman called for Action Item 12 - Consideration of and possible action authorizing the General Manager/CEO to negotiate and execute an Interlocal Agreement between Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority and Alliance Regional Water Authority related to design costs for an expansion of the shared water treatment plant for the Carrizo Groundwater Supply Program. Charlie Hickman, Executive Manager of Engineering, is seeking approval to execute an interlocal agreement with Alliance Regional Water Authority relating to collaboration on the expansion of the shared water treatment plant for the Carrizo Groundwater Supply Program. This collaboration will allow each entity to jointly utilize cost-effective methods to meet the needs of their individual customers. This interlocal agreement will allow for the design phase to be initiated for additional treatment capacity to be available in early 2027. Upon Motion by Director Old, seconded by Director Blaschke, the Board unanimously

approved Action Item 12 authorizing the General Manager/CEO to negotiate and execute an Interlocal Agreement between Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority and Alliance Regional Water Authority related to design costs for an expansion of the shared water treatment plant for the Carrizo Groundwater Supply Program.

The Chairman then called for Discussion Item 13 - Discussion regarding Base Flow Report, Water Quality Index, long-term weather pattern, and condition of the Guadalupe Basin. Charles Hickman, Executive Manager of Engineering, briefed the Board on the Guadalupe River basin hydrologic conditions, including rainfall percentages, events, and totals; the Base Flow Report; the U.S. Drought Monitor Seasonal Outlook; Edwards Aquifer level; Comal Springs level; Guadalupe River stream flows; El Niño modeled forecast; and elevation of Canyon Reservoir. Canyon Reservoir elevation is currently at 887.53 feet as of January 9, 2024. Comal Springs is flowing around 140 cfs as of January 14, 2024.

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, the open meeting was recessed at 11:07 a.m. subject to call by the Chairman and convened the meeting in executive session at 11:25 a.m. pursuant to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code.

The open meeting reconvened at 12:12 p.m.

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 12:12 p.m. subject to a call by the Chairman.

Chairman

Secretary/Treasurer

Action Item No. 8

A RESOLUTION OF THE GUADALUPE-BLANCO RIVER AUTHORITY

A Resolution by the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority ("GBRA") declaring a public necessity for the acquisition of certain treated water pipeline easements for the relocation of a treated water pipeline system and related facilities for diversion, treatment, collection and delivery of water in connection therewith for the Western Canyon Hwy. 46 Treated Water Pipeline Relocation Project for portions of Comal County, over, across, upon and under private property and public property for the public purpose of the construction, operation, and maintenance of certain water diversion facilities and water pipeline systems and other system related improvements, and authorizing all appropriate action by the General Manager/CEO, staff and retained attorneys, and engineering and technical consultants, in the institution and prosecution of condemnation proceedings to acquire any such needed easements and related rights of ingress and egress that cannot be acquired through negotiation; declaring further negotiations futile; ratifying and affirming all acts and proceedings heretofore done or initiated by employees, agents and attorneys of GBRA to acquire such property interests including necessary acts for any applicable lienholders for such property; authorizing all other lawful action including the making of archaeological, environmental, geotechnical and linear surveys necessary and incidental to such acquisitions whether by purchase or eminent domain proceedings; declaring the sections of the Resolution to be severable one from the other in the event any section of this Resolution is determined to be invalid.

WHEREAS, GBRA pursuant to its powers of eminent domain as outlined in Section 49.222 of the Texas Water Code and other pertinent statutory authority has determined that the acquisition of treated water pipeline easements in connection therewith, over, across, upon and under certain properties located in Comal County, Texas either by purchase or by proceedings in eminent domain, is necessary and for the public purpose of the relocation, construction, operation, and maintenance of water pipeline systems and other system related improvements.

WHEREAS, duly approved offers based on written appraisals by certified, independent real estate appraisers for the market value of each water pipeline easement to be bought or acquired have been transmitted to each of the owners thereof, along with a copy of the appraisal as to each parcel, and the owners have been unable to agree with the GBRA as to the market value of each described tract, and further negotiations have become futile. The permanent water pipeline easements are more fully described as follows:

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF GUADALUPE-BLANCO RIVER AUTHORITY THAT:

SECTION 1: Public necessity requires that GBRA acquire certain treated water pipeline easements and other system related improvements, in connection therewith, over, across, upon and under certain privately owned real properties located in Comal County, Texas, more fully described herein for the public purpose of relocation, construction, operation and maintenance of treated water pipeline systems and other system related improvements in connection with the Western Canyon Hwy. 46 Treated Water Pipeline Relocation Project. Public necessity also requires that GBRA acquire the right of ingress and egress over and across such lands and adjacent lands either through purchase or by the process of eminent domain and that GBRA take all other lawful action necessary and incidental to such purchases or eminent domain proceedings, including conducting archaeological, environmental, geotechnical and linear surveys as required so specify, define, and secure such easements according to existing law.

SECTION 2: It is hereby determined that GBRA has, in fact, transmitted bona fide offers as provided by Texas Property Code Section 21.0113, copies of the real estate appraisals in support thereof to each of the owners of the property interests sought to be acquired and as required by law, and a copy of the landowner's bill of rights statement as provided by Texas Property Code Section 21.0113, but GBRA and the owners of such property interests have been unable to agree upon the damages to be paid, and further settlement negotiations have become futile.

SECTION 3: The Board of Directors hereby directs and authorizes the General Manager/CEO, staff and retained attorneys to institute and prosecute to conclusion all necessary proceedings to condemn the property interests described herein and to acquire all such interests that GBRA is unable to acquire through negotiation by reason of its inability to agree with the owner thereof as to the damages to the landowner, and to take any other legal action necessary and incidental to such purchases or eminent domain proceedings to survey for archaeological, environmental, geotechnical and linear purposes to define, specify and secure such property interests.

SECTION 4: All acts and proceedings done or initiated by the employees, agents and attorneys of GBRA for the acquisition of such property are hereby authorized, ratified, approved, confirmed and validated and declared to be valid in all respects as of the respective dates thereof with and in regard to the real property owners from whom such rights have been or are being acquired.

SECTION 5: If any provisions, sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phase of this resolution, or the application of same to any person or set of circumstances is for any reason held to be unconstitutional, void or invalid, the validity of the remaining portions of this resolution shall not be affected thereby, it being the intent of the Board of Directors of GBRA in adopting this Resolution that no portion thereof, or provisions or regulation contained shall become inoperative for fail by reason of any unconstitutionality or invalidity of any other portion hereof and all provisions of this Resolution are declared to be severable for that purpose.

PASSED AND RESOLVED on this 17th day of January, 2024.

Dennis L. Patillo, Chairman

Board of Directors

Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority

ATTEST:

Stephen B. Ehrig, Secretary Treasurer

Board of Directors

Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority