

# **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 New Braunfels, Comal County, Texas, hereby gives notice of a meeting of its **BOARD OF DIRECTORS** to be held at the **Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority, Annex Building, 905 Nolan St., Seguin, Guadalupe County, Texas, at 10:00 a.m., on Wednesday, September 18, 2024.**

## **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 **3 MINUTES**. To address the Board please sign and completely fill out the Attendance Sheet maintained at the entrance to the building where meeting is being held. **NO RESPONSE MAY BE MADE OR ACTION 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 August 21, 2024 Board Meeting.
3. Consideration of and possible action approving the monthly financial report for August 2024.
4. Consideration of and possible action approving the monthly operations report for August 2024.
5. Consideration of and possible action approving Directors' expense vouchers for August 2024.

## **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: 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, and stewardship.

7. Discussion and presentation on 2024 Texas Water Safari.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

8. Consideration of and possible action adopting a resolution authorizing the issuance of up to \$40,000,000 in aggregate principal amount of Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority Revenue Improvement Bonds, Series 2024 (Stein Falls Wastewater System Project); delegating authority to certain GBRA officers to determine the method of sale, to select underwriters (if the series 2024 bonds are to be sold pursuant to a negotiated underwriting), and to approve all final terms of the series 2024 bonds; approving and authorizing the execution of all instruments and procedures related thereto including a paying agent/registrar agreement and a purchase contract; authorizing the preparation and distribution of an official statement, if necessary; and authorizing all other instruments and procedures related thereto.

9. Consideration of and possible action authorizing Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority Finance staff to open bank and investment accounts for management of construction proceeds and debt service requirements for the Stein Falls Wastewater System Project.

10. Consideration of and possible action approving an amendment to the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority Fiscal Year 2025 Work Plan and Budget to adopt rates for the treatment and transmission of water from the Carrizo Water Treatment Plant.

11. Consideration of and possible action authorizing the General Manager/CEO to negotiate and execute a Wastewater Service Agreement between the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority and Arenaman Development Company, LP for the FM 2001 Tract.

12. Consideration and possible action approving a resolution by the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (GBRA) to make a finding that certain portions of easements located along Hwy. 46 in Comal County owned by GBRA ("Property") are surplus and no longer needed by GBRA, and in connection with such resolution, the granting of the authorization to the General Manager/CEO to execute the necessary transfer documents for such Property.

13. Consideration of and possible action authorizing the General Manager/CEO to negotiate and execute a contract with the highest ranked bidder based on a Competitive Sealed Proposal process, which provides the best value for the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority, for selection of a general contractor for the Regional Raw Water Delivery System Project.

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

14. Discussion and update on Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority's Strategic Plan FY 2023-2028.

15. Discussion regarding Base Flow Report, Water Quality Index, long-term weather pattern, and condition of the Guadalupe Basin.

## **ITEMS FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION**

16. The Board may meet in Executive Session as authorized by Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, to discuss one or more of the following matters:

- a. Any items listed on this agenda;
- b. Advice from legal counsel about pending or threatened litigation, including litigation options, representation, settlements, settlement-related agreements and memoranda of understanding and, if applicable, the impact of pending or contemplated litigation on GBRA projects and proposed projects;
- c. The following matters: (i) GBRA's Mid-Basin Water User Permit Application in Gonzales County (98th District Court of Travis County); (ii) San Antonio Water System's application to TCEQ for a bed and banks permit on the San Antonio River (TCEQ); (iii) Cibolo Creek Municipal Authority's application to TCEQ for a bed and banks permit on the San Antonio River (TCEQ); (iv) other pending applications for TCEQ water use or water quality permits on which GBRA is the permittee or co-permittee; (v) pending applications for TCEQ water use or water quality permits in the Guadalupe or adjacent river basins; and (vi) pending or threatened litigation to which GBRA is a party or potential party;
- d. Advice from legal counsel about pending litigation or threatened litigation relating to right of way acquisition; 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 (i) right-of-way acquisitions for GBRA-related projects within or adjacent to the boundaries of GBRA's district; (ii) exchange, sale, or transfer of real property interests within or adjacent to the boundaries of GBRA's district; and (iii) sale, acquisition, and/or transfer of GBRA water treatment and distribution assets in Calhoun County;
- e. Briefing and advice from legal counsel relating to matters covered by legal counsel's duty of confidentiality, including without limitation: (i) issues relating to agreements under negotiation; (ii) issues relating to potential litigation and representation in that litigation, including without limitation, issues or disputes arising from existing contracts to which GBRA is a party and bid protests, (iii) legal and regulatory issues relating to GBRA's groundwater and/or surface water rights and permits throughout the Guadalupe River Basin; (iv) issues relating to GBRA easement rights, enforcement of same, and other property rights; and (v) issues relating to agricultural water sales;
- f. Deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of public officers or employees; and to receive and obtain legal advice regarding same from legal counsel.

General Manager/CEO, public officers, or employees

No action will be taken in executive session. 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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2225 E Common, New Braunfels, Texas 78130 – September 12, 2024