

## MINUTES

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

#### SAN ANTONIO RIVER AUTHORITY

March 8, 2010, 2:00 p.m.



#### *GENERAL AND CEREMONIAL ITEMS:*

1. **CALL TO ORDER WAS MADE BY THE CHAIRMAN, MR. H. B. RUCKMAN III, AT 2:00 PM**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED**
3. **THE COMMITTEE SECRETARY, NÁZIRITE RUBÉN PÉREZ, CALLED THE ROLL AND REPORTED THE FOLLOWING BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

- John J. Flieller (2:04 pm arrival)
- Michael W. Lackey, P.E.
- Názirite Rubén Pérez
- H. B. Ruckman III
- Adair R. Sutherland
- Thomas G. Weaver

4. **CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM WAS ANNOUNCED BY THE SECRETARY, MR. PÉREZ**

5. **INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS**

Ms. Sanchez announced the citizens who were present.

6. **CITIZENS TO BE HEARD**

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

7. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON DECEMBER 7, 2009**

Staff recommended a motion to approve the minutes of the Operations Committee meeting held on December 7, 2009, as presented.

Motion made by Thomas G. Weaver  
Seconded by Názirite Rubén Pérez  
Motion passed unanimously

To accommodate visitors in the audience and with no objections from the committee members, Mr. Ruckman called for Agenda Item #11

**11. DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE COASTAL BEND BAYS & ESTUARIES PROGRAM, INC. IN SUPPORT OF THE SAN ANTONIO BAY PARTNERSHIP**

Staff recommended a motion of the Operations Committee supporting recommendation to the San Antonio River Authority Board of Directors to authorize the General Manager to negotiate and execute the Agreement with the Coastal Bend Bays & Estuaries Program, Inc. to support the San Antonio Bay Partnership.

Motion made by Thomas G. Weaver  
Seconded by Názirite Rubén Pérez  
Motion passed unanimously

Mr. Ruckman then returned to the regular order of business.

**8. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING AN INTERLOCAL COOPERATION CONTRACT WITH THE CITY OF BOERNE FOR ASSISTANCE IN WRITING A QUALITY ASSURANCE PROJECT PLAN FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN UPPER CIBOLO CREEK WATERSHED PROTECTION PLAN**

Staff recommended a motion indicating Operations Committee support for presenting to the San Antonio River Authority Board of Directors a recommendation authorizing the General Manager to negotiate, execute and amend as needed an interlocal cooperation contract with the City of Boerne for assistance in writing a Quality Assurance Project Plan for the Upper Cibolo Creek Watershed Protection Plan.

Motion made by Thomas G. Weaver  
Seconded by John J. Flieller  
Motion passed unanimously

**9. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION, AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING THE REHABILITATION OF THE SALATRILLO AND CIMMARON OUTFALL LINES THAT DISCHARGE INTO THE SALATRILLO WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT**

Staff recommended a motion of the Operations Committee supporting a budget amendment transferring \$1.2 million from the Salatrillo Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP) Expansion Project to an effort funding the Salatrillo and Cimmaron outfall line deficiencies.

Motion made by Thomas G. Weaver

Seconded by John J. Flieller

Motion passed unanimously

**10. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION, AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING AN OPTION TO PURCHASE SURFACE WATER RIGHT NO. 19-5611 LOCATED ON CIBOLO CREEK, WILSON COUNTY, TEXAS FROM ELIAS AND FLORENCE DUGI**

Staff recommended a motion indicating Operations Committee support for presenting to the San Antonio River Authority Board of Directors a request for approval to execute the Option and to exercise the option to purchase the Water Right Permit No. 19-5611.

Motion made by Michael W. Lackey, P.E.

Seconded by John J. Flieller

Motion passed unanimously

Having already presented Item 11, Mr. Ruckman called for Agenda Item 12.

**12. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION REGARDING A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO CONVEY A VARIABLE WIDTH ACCESS AND TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT TO EPSILON INTERNATIONAL, LLC IN THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO, BEXAR COUNTY, TEXAS**

At the staff's request, Mr. Ruckman announced that this item would be postponed until the next Operations Committee meeting and then called for Agenda Item 13.

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

There being no action taken on this item, Mr. Ruckman called for Agenda Item 14.

**14. STATUS REPORT REGARDING A POTENTIAL IMPLEMENTATION PLAN IDENTIFYING BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES TO ADDRESS E. COLI IN THE LOWER SAN ANTONIO RIVER**

There being no action taken on this item, Mr. Ruckman called for Agenda Item 15.

**15. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION REGARDING TREES IN THE MISSION REACH ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION PROJECT**

There being no action taken on this item, Mr. Ruckman called for Agenda Item 16.

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

There being no action taken on this item, Mr. Ruckman called for Agenda Item 17.

**17. 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 18.

**18. ITEMS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION**

Mr. Weaver noted that the SARIP Power Point presentation developed for the County would be appropriate for presentation to the full SARA Board. Ms. Scott noted that an item would be placed on the March 17 Board Agenda addressing the staffing and funding associated with SARA's SARIP maintenance responsibilities.

Mr. Flieller requested a status report on the Helton property. John Chisholm approached the podium and assured Mr. Flieller that he would see a briefing agenda on a future meeting. Mr. Ruckman then called for Agenda Item 19.

**19. NEXT MEETING DATE**

After discussion, it was decided by the Committee that the next Operations Committee meeting will be Monday, April 12, 2010, at 2:00 p.m.

**20. ADJOURN**

There being nothing further to report, Ms. Sutherland moved to adjourn, and therefore, Mr. Ruckman called the meeting adjourned at 3:53 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 APRIL 12, 2010.**

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

**ATTEST:**

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**NÁZIRITE RUBÉN PÉREZ, Committee Secretary**