



Board Agenda

Wednesday, Sept. 23, 2026
LCRA General Office Complex
Board Room – Hancock Building
3700 Lake Austin Blvd.
Austin, TX 78703
Earliest start time: 1 p.m.

Board Chair Stephen F. Cooper
Board Vice Chair Martha Leigh M. Whitten

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***This agenda item requires the approval of at least 12 members of the Board.**

Executive Session

- 1. Public Safety Briefing
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- 3. Legal Advice on Pending and Anticipated Litigation, Claims and Settlements
- 4. Legal Advice on Legal Matters

The Board may go into executive session on any item listed above, pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, including, but not limited to, sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, 551.076, 551.086, 551.089 and 418.183(f) of the Texas Government Code.

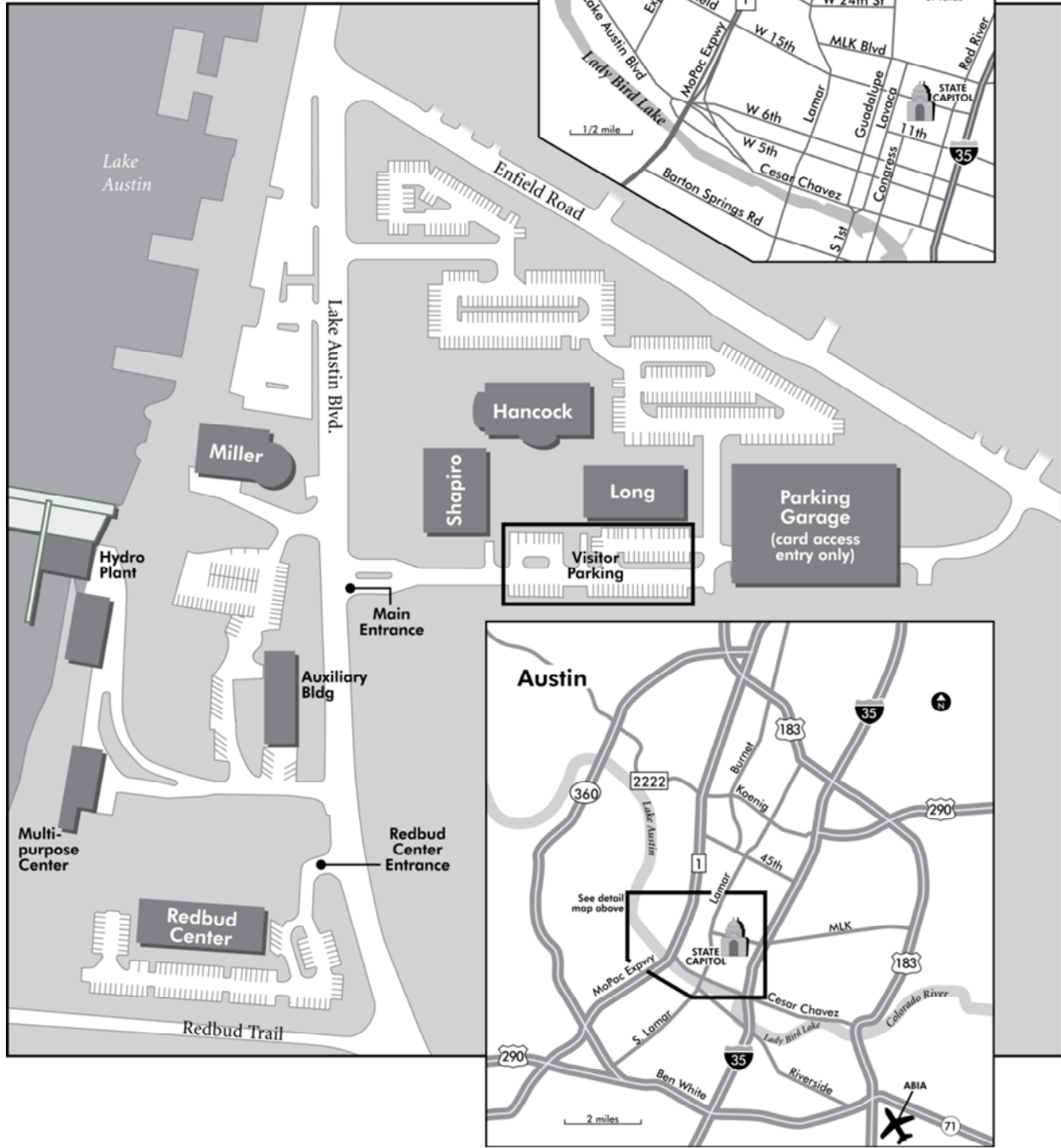
Legal Notice

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<https://www.sos.texas.gov/open/index.shtml>

LCRA General Office Complex Location Map

3700 Lake Austin Blvd.
Austin, Texas



1. Comments From the Public

Summary

This part of the meeting is intended for comments from the public on topics under LCRA's jurisdiction. Per the Texas Open Meetings Act, for topics not related to an item listed on the Board of Directors agenda, the Board cannot respond to or take action during public comments.

In order to address the Board, a member of the public is required to sign and complete the registration form at the entrance to the meeting room. Please see the Protocols for Public Communication at Board and Committee Meetings as shown in Exhibit A for details.

Any member of the public wishing to comment on an item listed on this agenda will be called to make comments at the appropriate time.

Exhibit(s)

A – Protocols for Public Communication at Board and Committee Meetings

EXHIBIT A

PROTOCOLS FOR PUBLIC COMMUNICATION AT BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Approved by the LCRA Board of Directors on Dec. 11, 2018

- 1. Oral Presentations on Issues Under LCRA's Jurisdiction.** Any person wishing to make an oral presentation at a Board meeting on any matter under LCRA's jurisdiction must complete a registration form that indicates the agenda item or other topic on which they wish to comment, along with the speaker's name, address and other relevant information. Any person making an oral presentation to the Board may distribute related materials to the Board at the meeting.
- 2. Time Allocation.** The presiding officer may limit the length of time for each speaker. Speakers may not trade or donate time to other speakers without permission from the presiding officer, and repetitive testimony shall be minimized.
- 3. Rules of Decorum.** Speakers and members of the audience must avoid disruptive behavior that interferes with the orderly conduct of a public meeting. Placards, banners, and hand-held signs are not allowed in Board or committee meetings, and speakers and members of the audience must avoid personal affronts, profanity, booing, excessive noise, and other disruptive conduct. The presiding officer may direct that anyone who disrupts a meeting be removed from the room.
- 4. Recording.** Any person making an audio or video recording of all or any part of a Board meeting must do so in a manner that is not disruptive to the meeting. During a meeting, members of the public must remain in or behind the public seating area and are not permitted to record from any other area of the meeting room.
- 5. Committee Meetings.** The protocols outlined in 1-4 above also apply to members of the public wishing to address any LCRA Board committee whose membership comprises the entirety of the LCRA Board on matters within the scope of each of those committees.

FOR ACTION (CONSENT)

2. Conveyance of Easements in Colorado County

Proposed Motion

Authorize the general manager or his designee to grant an approximately 1.24-acre easement, an approximately 1.88-acre temporary easement, an approximately 0.54-acre temporary easement and an approximately 1.65-acre access easement across LCRA-owned property and an LCRA-owned irrigation canal in the Lakeside Agricultural Division in Colorado County.

Board Consideration

Section 8503.020(b) of the Texas Special District Local Laws Code requires the approval of at least 12 members of the LCRA Board of Directors to convey any interest in real property. LCRA Board Policy 401 – Land Resources requires the approval of the LCRA Board to convey easements across LCRA land.

Budget Status and Fiscal Impact

The fiscal year 2027 business plan contains the administrative costs associated with the conveyance of these easements. The proceeds of \$99,776.65 will be credited to the LCRA Strategic Reserve Fund.

Summary

Mustang Express Pipeline requests LCRA to convey permanent and temporary easements across LCRA fee-owned property and a fee-owned canal to serve their 240-mile pipeline project in Colorado County.

The LCRA property and canal are part of the Lakeside Agricultural Division's canal system.

LCRA staff has reviewed available market data and determined \$99,776.65 is at or above the market value of the easements to be conveyed. Mustang Express Pipeline is working with LCRA to approve construction plans.

LCRA staff will comply with environmental and cultural due diligence assessment procedures set forth in Board Policy 401.403 – Land Disposition before conveying the easements.

Exhibit(s)

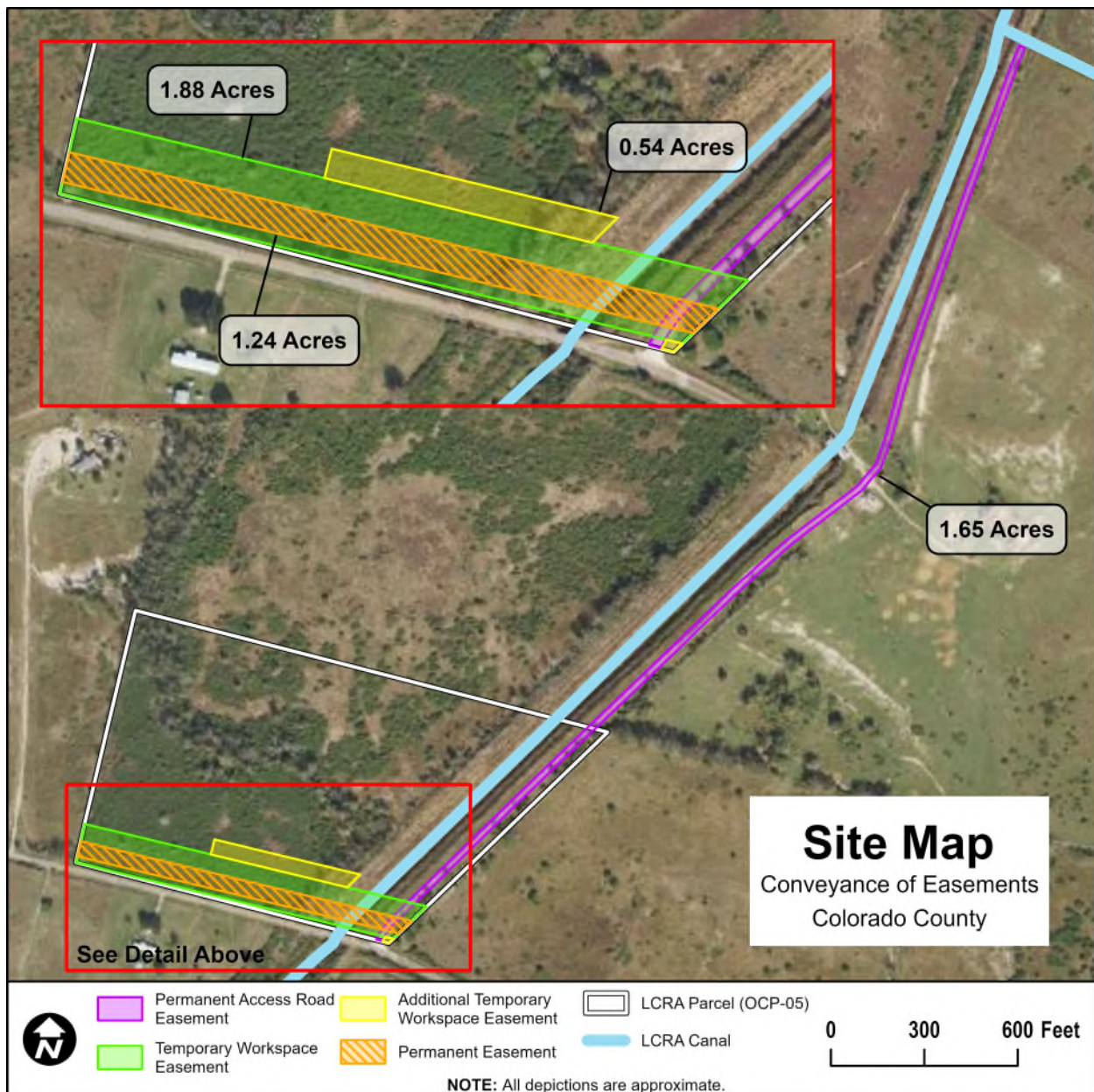
- A – Vicinity Map
- B – Site Map

EXHIBIT A



EXHIBIT B

The sizes and locations of the easements are approximate.



FOR ACTION (CONSENT)

3. Conveyance of Access Easement in Matagorda County

Proposed Motion

Authorize the general manager or his designee to grant an approximately 0.376-acre access easement across an LCRA-owned irrigation canal in the Gulf Coast Agricultural Division in Matagorda County.

Board Consideration

Section 8503.020(b) of the Texas Special District Local Laws Code requires the approval of at least 12 members of the LCRA Board of Directors to convey any interest in real property. LCRA Board Policy 401 – Land Resources requires the approval of the LCRA Board to convey easements across LCRA land.

Budget Status and Fiscal Impact

The fiscal year 2027 business plan contains the administrative costs associated with the conveyance of this easement. The proceeds of \$5,000 will be credited to the LCRA Strategic Reserve Fund.

Summary

Duffy Project Co LLC, also known as Duffy Solar, leases property on both sides of an LCRA-owned canal in Matagorda County. Duffy Solar has asked LCRA to convey an easement across the canal to access a solar farm facility Duffy Solar owns.

The canal is part of the Gulf Coast Agricultural Division canal system.

LCRA staff has reviewed available market data and determined \$5,000 is at or above the market value of the easement to be conveyed. Duffy Project Co LLC is working with LCRA to approve construction plans, which require the replacement and extension of an existing culvert in the canal.

LCRA staff will comply with environmental and cultural due diligence assessment procedures set forth in Board Policy 401.403 – Land Disposition before the conveyance of the easement.

Exhibit(s)

A – Vicinity Map

B – Site Map

EXHIBIT A



EXHIBIT B

The size and location of the easement are approximate.



FOR ACTION (CONSENT)

4. October 2026 LCRA Board Meeting Date Change

Proposed Motion

Approve changing the date of the October 2026 LCRA Board of Directors meeting to Tuesday, Oct. 20.

Board Consideration

Section 2.05 of the LCRA bylaws provides that, unless otherwise authorized by a vote of the Board, the Board will convene in regular session no less than once each quarter. The regular meeting of the Board will be on the last Wednesday prior to the 25th day of a calendar month. The regular meeting of the Board may be held at other times and places as may be determined by the chair or by the Board.

Budget Status and Fiscal Impact

Approval of this item will have no budgetary or fiscal impact.

Summary

The Board approved its calendar year 2026 Board and committee meetings schedule on Aug. 20, 2025. The proposed change would move the October 2026 Board meeting from Oct. 21 to Oct. 20. Committees of the whole also would meet Oct. 20, and other committees would meet Oct. 19.

FOR ACTION (CONSENT)

5. Directors' Fees, Expenses

Proposed Motion

Approve directors' fees and the reimbursement of directors' expenses.

Board Consideration

LCRA Board Policy 105 – Directors' Fees and Expense Reimbursement and Section 2.08 – Per Diem and Expenses of the LCRA bylaws require Board of Directors approval for directors' fees and expenses.

Budget Status and Fiscal Impact

The budget in the business plan provides for directors' fees and expenses.

Summary

LCRA Board Policy 105 establishes guidelines for the payment of fees and reimbursement of the expenses that directors incur as they carry out their responsibilities as LCRA Board members.

FOR ACTION (CONSENT)

6. Minutes of Prior Meeting

Proposed Motion

Approve the minutes of the Aug. 19, 2026, LCRA Board of Directors meeting.

Board Consideration

Section 2.04 of the LCRA bylaws requires the secretary to keep minutes of all meetings of the Board.

Budget Status and Fiscal Impact

Approval of this item will have no budgetary or fiscal impact.

Summary

Staff presents the minutes of each meeting to the Board for approval.

Exhibit(s)

A – Minutes of Aug. 19, 2026, LCRA Board meeting

EXHIBIT A

LCRA Board of Directors
Minutes Digest
Aug. 19, 2026

- 26-49 Authorization for the general manager or his designee to grant a 5-foot-wide gas pipeline easement across an LCRA-owned irrigation canal in the Gulf Coast Agricultural Division in Matagorda County to CenterPoint Energy.
- 26-50 Authorization for the general manager or his designee to grant a 0.333-acre easement and a 1.041-acre easement across LCRA-owned irrigation canals in the Gulf Coast Agricultural Division in Matagorda County to Union Pacific Railroad.
- 26-51 Authorization for the general manager or his designee to convey a 50-foot-wide access easement to Trevor Malota, Bradley Malota and Priscilla Malota across portions of LCRA Parcel A-54(14) in Fayette County.
- 26-52 Approval and authorization for the Board of Directors chair or his designee to execute Amendment No. Nine to the Lower Colorado River Authority 401(k) Plan.
- 26-53 Approval and authorization for the Board of Directors chair or his designee to execute Amendment No. Ten to the Lower Colorado River Authority Deferred Compensation Plan.
- 26-54 Ratification of the fiscal year 2026 LCRA business plan to increase authorized operations spending in fiscal year 2026 from \$611.4 million to \$611.52 million.
- 26-55 Approval of the proposed LCRA Board and committee meeting dates for calendar year 2027.
- 26-56 Review and approval of LCRA Board Policy 303 – Banking and Investments.
- 26-57 Approval of directors' fees and the reimbursement of directors' expenses.
- 26-58 Approval of the minutes of the June 17, 2026, LCRA Board of Directors meeting.

- 26-59 Authorization for the general manager or his designee to negotiate and execute the following contracts and contract changes: Contract No. 7192 (Metropolitan Life Insurance Company (dba MetLife); Contract No. 5251 (Turtle & Hughes, Inc.); and Contract No. 7108 (5942 – Amended Name Change) (Pritchard Industries LLC).
- 26-60 Adoption of a resolution approving the fiscal year 2027 performance goals for General Manager Rudy Garza.
- 26-61 Adoption of a resolution approving the fiscal year 2026 performance evaluation, compensation and fiscal year 2027 performance goals for General Auditor Gerry Garcia.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
LOWER COLORADO RIVER AUTHORITY

Austin, Texas
Aug. 19, 2026

Pursuant to notice posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, the Board of Directors (Board) of the Lower Colorado River Authority (LCRA) convened in a regular meeting at 12:38 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 19, 2026, in the Board Room of the Hancock Building, at the principal office of LCRA, 3700 Lake Austin Blvd., Austin, Travis County, Texas. The following directors were present, constituting a quorum:

Stephen F. Cooper, Chair
Martha Leigh M. Whitten, Vice Chair
Joseph M. "Joe" Crane, Secretary
Matthew L. "Matt" Arthur
Melissa K. Blanding
Curtis E. Ford
Carol Freeman
Thomas L. "Tom" Kelley
Aden Lasseter
Robert "Bobby" Lewis [via videoconference]
Mark Mayo
Margaret D. "Meg" Voelter
David R. Willmann
Nancy Eckert Yeary

Chair Cooper convened the meeting at 12:38 p.m.

There were no comments from the public during the meeting [Agenda Item 1].

General Manager Rudy Garza, attending his first Board meeting as GM, thanked LCRA employees and recognized Jim Travis for serving as acting general manager during the leadership transition. He gave the Board an update on the following:

- The importance of safety at LCRA, with a focus on driving safety.
- Flooding in Central Texas in July and LCRA's response, including examples and staff efforts.
- The Transmission team's development of a new flood-mitigation plan.
- A senior Regional Affairs representative who led LCRA's work to co-sponsor the cleanup of trash from Lake LBJ and its shores conducted by the Texas Water Association.
- Staff who helped a park visitor experiencing heat-related illness.
- Summer camps at LCRA parks.
- Recent Employee Service Awards.

Garza concluded his update by sharing a video that highlighted his visits to facilities and his time meeting employees.

Chief Financial Officer Jim Travis presented financial highlights for LCRA covering June 2026 and fiscal year 2026 [Agenda Item 2].

The Board next took action on the consent agenda.

Upon motion by Director Mayo, seconded by Director Kelley, the Board unanimously approved consent items 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 by a vote of 14 to 0 as follows:

26-49 Authorization for the general manager or his designee to grant a 5-foot-wide gas pipeline easement across an LCRA-owned irrigation canal in the Gulf Coast Agricultural Division in Matagorda County to CenterPoint Energy, as recommended by staff in Consent Item 3 [attached hereto as Exhibit A].

26-50 Authorization for the general manager or his designee to grant a 0.333-acre easement and a 1.041-acre easement across LCRA-owned irrigation canals in the Gulf Coast Agricultural Division in Matagorda County to Union Pacific Railroad, as recommended by staff in Consent Item 4 [attached hereto as Exhibit B].

26-51 Authorization for the general manager or his designee to convey a 50-foot-wide access easement to Trevor Malota, Bradley Malota and Priscilla Malota across portions of LCRA Parcel A-54(14) in Fayette County, as recommended by staff in Consent Item 5 [attached hereto as Exhibit C].

26-52 Approval and authorization for the Board of Directors chair or his designee to execute Amendment No. Nine to the Lower Colorado River Authority 401(k) Plan, as recommended by staff in Consent Item 6 [attached hereto as Exhibit D].

26-53 Approval and authorization for the Board of Directors chair or his designee to execute Amendment No. Ten to the Lower Colorado River Authority Deferred Compensation Plan, as recommended by staff in Consent Item 7 [attached hereto as Exhibit E].

26-54 Ratification of the fiscal year 2026 LCRA business plan to increase authorized operations spending in fiscal year 2026 from \$611.4 million to \$611.52 million, as recommended by staff in Consent Item 8 [attached hereto as Exhibit F].

26-55 Approval of the proposed LCRA Board and committee meeting dates for calendar year 2027 [This includes the Jan. 27, 2027, meeting that deviates from Article 2 of the LCRA bylaws. This meeting exceeds the schedule requirements to meet before the 25th day of each month.], as recommended by staff in Consent Item 9 [attached hereto as Exhibit G].

26-56 Review and approval of LCRA Board Policy 303 – Banking and Investments, as recommended by staff in Consent Item 10 [attached hereto as Exhibit H].

26-57 Approval of directors' fees and the reimbursement of directors' expenses, as recommended in Consent Item 11 [attached hereto as Exhibit I].

26-58 Approval of the minutes of the June 17, 2026, LCRA Board of Directors meeting [Consent Item 12].

26-59 Senior Vice President of Supply Chain Matt Chavez presented for consideration a staff recommendation, described in Agenda Item 13 [attached hereto as Exhibit J], that the Board authorize the general manager or his designee to negotiate and execute the following contracts and contract changes: Contract No. 7192 (Metropolitan Life Insurance Company (dba MetLife)); Contract No. 5251 (Turtle & Hughes, Inc.); and Contract No. 7108 (5942 – Amended Name Change) (Pritchard Industries LLC). Upon motion by Director Lasseter, seconded by Director Voelter, the recommendation was unanimously approved by a vote of 14 to 0.

Chair Cooper declared the meeting to be in executive session at 1:10 p.m. pursuant to sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, 551.076, 551.086, 551.089 and 418.183(f) of the Texas Government Code. Executive session ended, and Chair Cooper declared the meeting to be in public session at 2:07 p.m.

26-60 Upon motion by Vice Chair Whitten, seconded by Director Kelley, the Board unanimously adopted a resolution [attached hereto as Exhibit K] approving the fiscal year 2027 performance goals for General Manager Rudy Garza by a vote of 14 to 0.

26-61 Upon motion by Director Voelter, seconded by Director Mayo, the Board unanimously adopted a resolution [attached hereto as Exhibit L] approving the fiscal year 2026 performance evaluation, compensation and fiscal year 2027 performance goals for General Auditor Gerry Garcia by a vote of 14 to 0.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Joseph M. Crane
Secretary
LCRA Board of Directors

Approved: Sept. 23, 2026

FOR ACTION

7. LCRA Firm Water Rates

Proposed Motion

Approve firm rates for water made available to firm customers within LCRA's water service area, including use, reservation and inverted block rates.

Board Consideration

Consistent with LCRA Board Policy 501 – Water Resources and Section 8503.011 of the Texas Special District Local Laws Code, the Board of Directors is required to adopt rates associated with water contracts.

Budget Status and Fiscal Impact

The firm rates reflect the full cost recovery of the firm customer's allocated share of river management costs and water debt obligation.

Summary

Staff proposes new rates for firm customers as shown below to become effective with the January 2027 billing cycle, excluding any remaining reservation fees.

Category	Current Rate (per acre-foot)	Proposed Rate (per acre-foot)
Use (Diversion) Rate	\$165.00	\$175.00
Reservation Rate	\$82.50	\$87.50
Inverted Block Rate	\$330.00	\$350.00

The new proposed firm rates would replace the current rates that have been in effect since the January 2025 billing cycle. The proposed firm rates will pay for the firm customer's allocated share of river management costs and the water debt obligation. These costs include funding for the ongoing rehabilitation of the existing water supply dam infrastructure, as well as the development of new water supplies.

LCRA provided notice and opportunity for public comment on the proposed rates through the LCRA website, email communications and meetings with customers. The comments received from the public have been provided to the Board under separate cover.

Presenter(s)

Monica P. Masters
Senior Vice President, Water Resources

FOR ACTION

8. Contracts and Contract Changes

Proposed Motion

Authorize the general manager or his designee to negotiate and execute the following contracts and contract changes as described in the attached exhibits.

Board Consideration

LCRA Board Policy 308 – Procurement requires Board of Directors approval for any contract for goods or services with projected expenditures exceeding \$5 million, whether under the original contract or as a result of a change.

Budget Status and Fiscal Impact

Board approval of contracts and contract changes does not create a commitment to spend funds. All commitments made under these contracts will be for budgeted items contained in separately authorized operations and capital budgets or pre-spending requirements as outlined in LCRA Board Policy 301 – Finance.

Summary

Each month, the Board approves the contracts and contract changes in accordance with LCRA Board Policy 308.

Presenter(s)

Matt Chavez
Senior Vice President, Supply Chain

Exhibit(s)

A – New Contracts
B – Contract Changes

EXHIBIT A

New Contracts

Contract Number: Multiple

Supplier Name: Multiple

Contract Amounts: \$90 million

Description: These contracts provide aggregate materials, including limestone, road base, gravel and other crushed stone to support enterprise operations and construction projects. The terms of the contracts are for one year, with annual options to extend up to a total of five years. Total projected contract expenditures are forecast to increase from prior years due to product availability and transportation costs, as well as the continued growth of the LCRA Transmission Services Corporation capital plan.

Contract Number	Supplier	Contract Amount
7232	Central Texas Stone and Aggregate, LLC	\$40 million
7237	Colorado Materials, LTD	\$25 million
7077	Martin Marietta Materials Southwest, LTD	\$20 million
7240	Cemex, Inc.	\$5 million

EXHIBIT B

Contract Changes

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