

**FOR ACTION**

## **16. Jonestown Water Supply Corporation – Renewal of Firm Water Contract for Municipal Use**

### **Proposed Motion**

Authorize the general manager or his designee to negotiate and execute a standard firm raw water contract with Jonestown Water Supply Corporation for municipal use of LCRA's firm water supply for up to 750 acre-feet per year with a term of 40 years.

### **Board Consideration**

Consistent with the LCRA water contract rules, all contract requests for 500 acre-feet per year or more require Board consideration.

### **Budget Status and Fiscal Impact**

Based on an increased contract amount for 224 more acre-feet, this contract will generate additional revenue of approximately \$16,000 in reservation fees annually. Revenue will increase as water under the contract is used.

### **Summary**

Jonestown WSC provides treated surface water to Jonestown, a community located on the northeast side of Lake Travis, as well as to residents living immediately outside the city limits. Jonestown WSC diverts raw water from Lake Travis, treats the water at one of two water treatment plants and distributes the treated water to about 4,400 residents. Due to increasing demands for treated water in the area, Jonestown has exceeded its contractual allotment of water in recent years and has submitted a request to increase this amount from 526 acre-feet to 750 acre-feet.

Staff reviewed and approved Jonestown WSC's conservation and drought contingency plans, which include focusing on reducing water loss by detecting leaks and repairing water line leaks, as well as promoting LCRA rebates. Jonestown WSC adopted LCRA's standard template drought contingency plan where 750,000 acre-feet of combined storage for lakes Buchanan and Travis triggers a once weekly watering schedule.

Staff recommends the Board approve this contract for 750 acre-feet per year of firm water supply.

LCRA staff also determined there are sufficient firm water supplies in lakes Buchanan and Travis or other sources of supply, including LCRA run-of-river water rights, to meet the recommended amount.

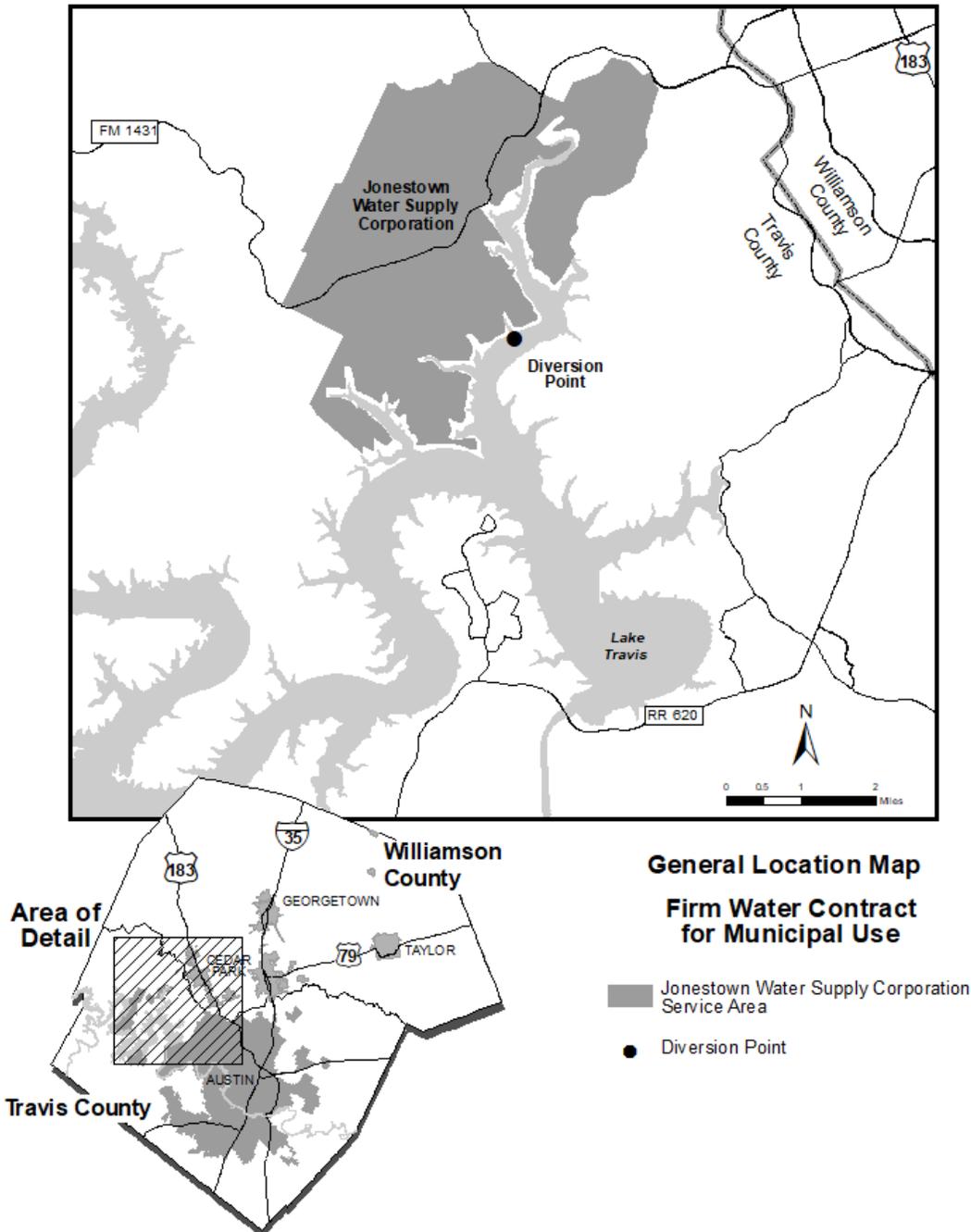
### **Presenter(s)**

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### **Exhibit(s)**

A – General Location Map

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## **FOR ACTION**

# **17. King Ranch Turfgrass LP – Renewal of Firm Water Contract for Municipal Use**

### **Proposed Motion**

Authorize the general manager or his designee to negotiate and execute a firm raw water contract with King Ranch Turfgrass LP for irrigation use of LCRA's firm water supply for up to 750 acre-feet per year with a term of five years.

### **Board Consideration**

Consistent with the LCRA water contract rules, all contract requests for 500 acre-feet per year or more require Board consideration.

### **Budget Status and Fiscal Impact**

The proposed contract will generate increased revenue of approximately \$14,860 in reservation fees in the first year.

### **Summary**

In 1994, C&D Turfgrass entered into a 25-year contract with LCRA for the right to divert up to 750 acre-feet of water per year for irrigation purposes at its operations in Bastrop County. The contract was amended in 1996 to increase the quantity to 850 acre-feet. King Ranch Turfgrass acquired the turfgrass operation and associated contract in the 2000s, and the contract has now come up for renewal. King Ranch Turfgrass has requested to renew the contract for an additional five years and for an amount of up to 750 acre-feet.

The existing contract has special payment provisions for water use and reservation fees, which are equal to 20% of standard rates for firm water. Staff proposes a phased approach to transition King Ranch Turfgrass to the current standard form contract with the standard rate structure over a three-year period. In the first year, the charges would be based on 50% of then-current firm water use and reservation rates; in the second year, the charges would be based on 75% of then-current rates; and in the third year, the customer would pay 100% of then-current rates.

Staff reviewed and approved the King Ranch Turfgrass water conservation and drought contingency plans, which include monitoring the irrigation system daily, inspecting the irrigation pump station biannually, making seasonal adjustments to irrigation and adopting a maintenance plan to replace dated equipment per manufacturers' specifications.

Staff recommends the Board approve this contract for 750 acre-feet per year of firm water supply.

LCRA staff also determined there are sufficient firm water supplies in lakes Buchanan and Travis or other sources of supply, including LCRA run-of-river water rights, to meet the recommended amount.

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