Water Operations Committee Agenda

Tuesday, Oct. 19, 2021
LCRA General Office Complex
Board Room – Hancock Building
3700 Lake Austin Blvd.
Austin, TX 78703
Earliest start time: 10:30 a.m.
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5. Briefing on Proposed Highland Lakes Dredge and Fill Ordinance,
   Highland Lakes Watershed Ordinance Revisions and Fee Schedules

Executive Session
The committee may go into executive session to receive advice from legal counsel
on any item listed above pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

Legal Notice
Legal notices are available on the Texas secretary of state website 72 hours prior to the
meeting at https://www.sos.texas.gov/open/index.shtml
FOR DISCUSSION

1. Comments From the Public

Summary
This part of the meeting is intended for comments from the public on topics within the scope of the Water Operations Committee or any item on the Water Operations Committee agenda. No responses or action may be taken by the committee during public comments.

In order to address the committee, 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.

Exhibit(s)
A – Protocols for Public Communication at Board and Committee Meetings
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

2. Approve Committee Meeting Minutes

Proposed Motion
Approve the minutes of the Sept. 22, 2021, meeting.

Committee Consideration
Section 2.09(d) of the LCRA bylaws states the committee may approve meeting minutes.

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 committee for approval.

Exhibit(s)
A – Minutes of Sept. 22, 2021, meeting
Pursuant to notice posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, the Water Operations Committee (committee) of the Board of Directors (Board) of the Lower Colorado River Authority (LCRA) convened in a meeting at 10:44 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 22, 2021, in the Vistas Ballroom at the Lakeway Resort, 101 Lakeway Drive, Lakeway, Travis County, Texas. The meeting was open to the public, and the following committee members were present, constituting a quorum:

- Thomas Michael Martine, committee chair
- Joseph M. “Joe” Crane, committee vice chair
- Michael L. “Mike” Allen
- Lori A. Berger
- Stephen F. Cooper
- Carol Freeman
- Raymond A. “Ray” Gill Jr.
- Robert “Bobby” Lewis
- Timothy Timmerman
- Margaret D. “Meg” Voelter
- Martha Leigh M. Whitten
- Nancy Eckert Yeary

Absent: Melissa K. Blanding

Laura D. Figueroa

Thomas L. “Tom” Kelley

Chair Martine convened the meeting at 10:44 a.m.

There were no public comments during the meeting.

21-03 Upon motion by Vice Chair Crane, seconded by Director Voelter, the committee unanimously approved the minutes of its last meeting, held May 19, 2021, as presented.

Vice President of Water Operations Kelly Payne presented an update on basin and water supply conditions.
Executive Vice President of Water John B. Hofmann and Vice President of Water Resources Monica Masters presented an update on LCRA’s new water supply initiatives, including water conservation programs, the status of ongoing water supply projects, and potential new water supply projects and strategies.

Chair Martine recessed the meeting at 12:02 p.m., and he reconvened the meeting at 1:01 p.m.

Masters presented an update on firm water contracts and inventory, commitments and demand. She also provided a brief history of the Board reservation of firm water.

Hofmann gave a presentation on LCRA water rates, including proposed firm water rates for calendar year 2022.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 1:43 p.m.

Thomas Michael Martine, Chair
Water Operations Committee
Approved: Oct. 19, 2021