



Water Operations Committee Agenda

Wednesday, Feb. 24, 2021

Earliest start time: 11:30 a.m.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO ATTEND IN PERSON.

THE MEETING WILL BE LIVESTREAMED AT

<https://www.lcra.org/about/leadership/stream/>

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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 www.sos.state.tx.us/open.

FOR DISCUSSION

1. Comments From the Public

Summary

Consistent with Gov. Abbott's March 16, 2020, temporary suspension of various provisions of the Open Meetings Act, the public will not be able to attend the meeting in person but may view the open session portions of the meeting via livestream at: <https://www.lcra.org/about/leadership/stream/> and make comments to the committee via telephone.

The committee will take all public comments at the beginning of the meeting. Members of the public who would like to address the committee must **register by calling the number below between 10 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. on the day of the meeting.**

Phone number: 833-548-0282 (toll free)

Meeting ID: 6442096404##

FOR ACTION

2. Approve Committee Meeting Minutes

Proposed Motion

Approve the minutes of the Sept. 23, 2020 meetings.

Board Consideration

Section 2.09 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. 23, 2020, meeting

EXHIBIT A

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WATER OPERATIONS COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LOWER COLORADO RIVER AUTHORITY

Austin, Texas

Sept. 23, 2020

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 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 23, 2020, in the Board Room of the Hancock Building, at the principal office of LCRA, 3700 Lake Austin Blvd., Austin, 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
Laura D. Figueroa [attended via videoconference]
Raymond A. "Ray" Gill Jr.
Charles B. "Bart" Johnson
Thomas L. "Tom" Kelley
Robert "Bobby" Lewis
George W. Russell
Timothy Timmerman
Margaret D. "Meg" Voelter
Martha Leigh M. Whitten
Nancy Eckert Yeary

Due to health and safety concerns related to the COVID-19 pandemic, and in accordance with the governor's disaster declaration and subsequent temporary suspension of certain provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act, the public was not allowed to attend this meeting in person but had access to the open session portions of this meeting via livestream and via telephone for comment.

Chair Martine convened the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

David Lindsay, vice president of Technical Research for the Central Texas Water Coalition, addressed the committee and expressed concerns about recent low inflows into the Highland Lakes.

20-02 Upon motion by Director Berger, seconded by LCRA Board Chair Timmerman, the committee unanimously approved the minutes of its last meeting, held Jan. 21, 2020, as presented.

Chief Meteorologist Bob Rose presented a weather briefing, including climate statistics for summer 2020, information on drought conditions, and a weather forecast and outlook for fall and winter 2020.

General Manager Phil Wilson shared remarks honoring the memory of Haskell Simon for his longstanding service in the interest of the Colorado River basin.

Vice President of Water Operations Kelly Payne presented an update on basin and water supply conditions, including inflows to the Highland Lakes relative to historic inflows, and drought information. Executive Vice President of Water John B. Hofmann and Payne responded to questions from the Board regarding inflows.

Hofmann and Vice President of Water Resources Monica Masters gave a presentation on LCRA water supply projects underway or recently completed, potential new water supply strategies, and water supply resource planning.

Chair Martine declared the meeting to be in executive session at 1:44 p.m., pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code (Open Meetings Act). Executive session ended, and Chair Timmerman declared the meeting to be in public session at 2:01 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 2:01 p.m.

Thomas Michael Martine, Chair
Water Operations Committee

Approved: Feb. 24, 2021

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