Water Operations Committee Agenda

Tuesday, Oct. 20, 2026
LCRA General Office Complex
Board Room – Hancock Building
3700 Lake Austin Blvd.
Austin, TX 78703
Earliest start time: 10 a.m.

Committee Chair Robert "Bobby" Lewis
Committee Vice Chair Thomas L. "Tom" Kelley

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4. Update on Firm Water Inventory
5. Water Supply Projects Update

Executive Session

1. Legal Advice on Legal Matters

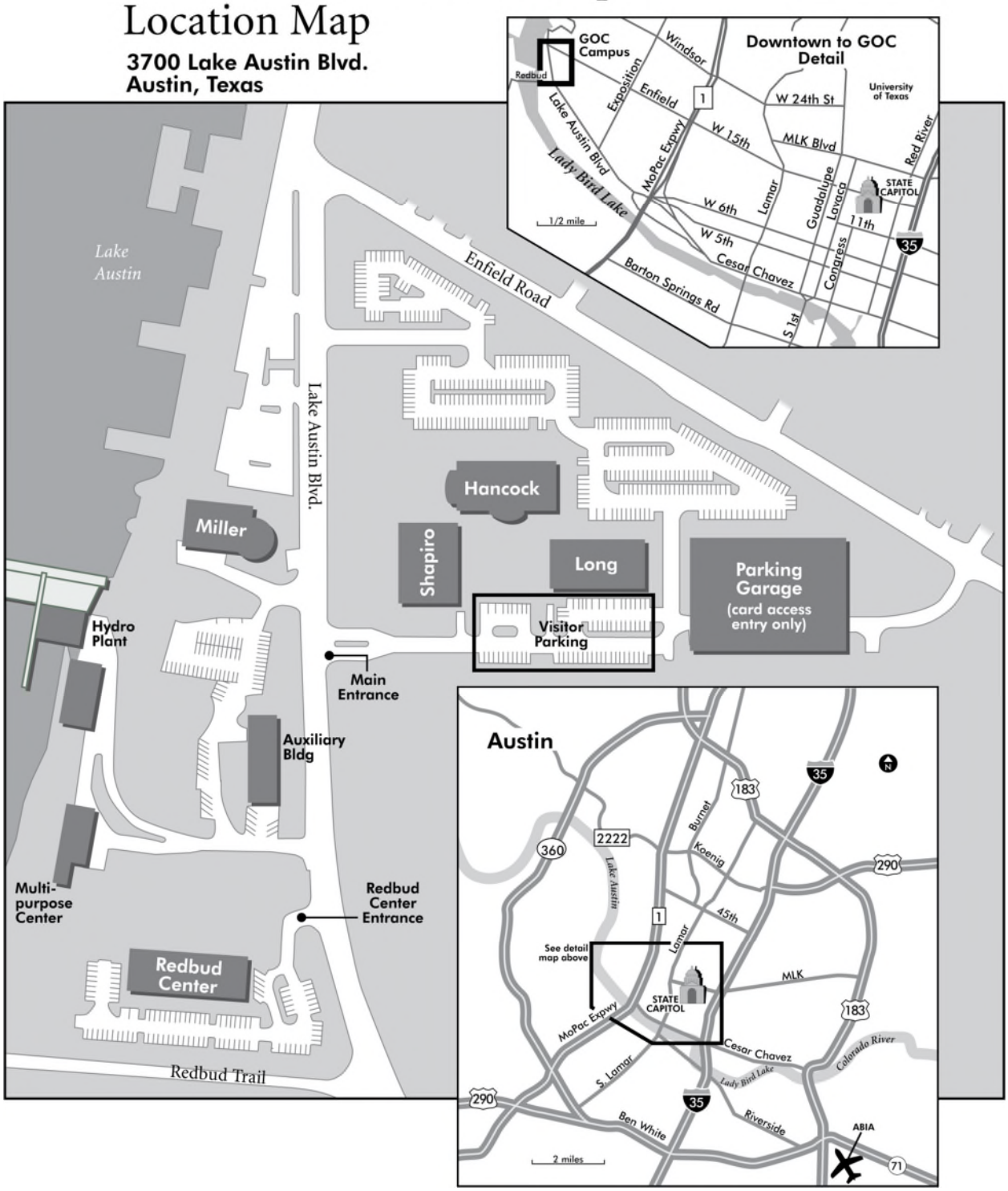
The committee may meet in executive session on any item listed above, pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, including, but not limited to, sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, 551.076, 551.086, 551.089 and 418.183(f) of the Texas Government Code.

Legal Notice

Legal notices are available on the Texas secretary of state website three business days before the meeting at the following link:
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 within the scope of the Water Operations Committee. Per the Texas Open Meetings Act, for topics not related to an item listed on the committee agenda, the committee cannot respond to or take action 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.

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

2. Approve Committee Meeting Minutes

Proposed Motion

Approve the minutes of the Sept. 23, 2026, Water Operations Committee meeting.

Board Consideration

Section 2.09(d) of the LCRA bylaws requires the committee to 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, 2026, Water Operations Committee 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, 2026

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 12:19 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 23, 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, acting committee chair
Matthew L. "Matt" Arthur
Melissa K. Blanding
Joseph M. "Joe" Crane
Curtis E. Ford
Carol Freeman
Aden Lasseter
Mark Mayo
Margaret D. "Meg" Voelter
Martha Leigh M. Whitten
David R. Willmann
Nancy Eckert Yeary

Absent: Robert "Bobby" Lewis, committee chair
Thomas L. "Tom" Kelley, committee vice chair

LCRA Board Chair Stephen F. Cooper, as acting chair of the committee, convened the meeting at 12:19 p.m. and led the committee in pledges of allegiance to the American and Texas flags. Director Whitten provided an invocation.

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

26-05 Upon motion by Director Voelter, seconded by Director Crane, the committee unanimously approved the minutes of the Aug. 19, 2026, Water Operations Committee meeting [Agenda Item 2].

Senior Vice President of Water Operations Kelly D. Payne presented an update on basin conditions [Agenda Item 3].

Senior Vice President of Water Resources Monica Masters discussed the proposed LCRA firm water rates for calendar year 2027 [Agenda Item 4].

Chief Meteorologist Bob Rose presented the El Niño and fall and winter weather outlook.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 12:59 p.m.

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Robert Lewis, Chair
Water Operations Committee

Approved: Oct. 20, 2026

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