#### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF FORT BEND COUNTY FRESH WATER SUPPLY DISTRICT NO. 1

October 17, 2024

## STATE OF TEXAS

#### **COUNTY OF FORT BEND**

The Board of Supervisors (the "Board") of Fort Bend County Fresh Water Supply District No. 1 of Fort Bend County, Texas (the "District"), met in regular session, open to the public, at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 17, 2024, at 4521 F.M. 521 North, Fresno, Fort Bend County, Texas 77545, a designated meeting place inside the boundaries of the District, and the roll was called of the members of the Board, to wit:

Paul Hamilton Rosa Linda Medina Calvin Casher Rodrigo Carreon Erasto Vallejo President Vice-President Secretary Assistant Secretary Assistant Secretary

All members of the Board were present, except Supervisor Hamilton, thus constituting a quorum.

Also present at the meeting were: Cindy Grimes with Municipal Accounts & Consulting, LP, the District's Bookkeeper ("MAC"); David Dybala and David Maly with Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc. ("Jacobs"), the District's Engineer; Robert Cardenas and Justin Ubernosky with Inframark, LLC ("Inframark"), the District's Operator; and Christopher Cunningham and Michael R. Willis of Sanford Kuhl Hagan Kugle Parker Kahn LLP ("SK Law"), the District's Attorney.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. and the following business was transacted.

## **<u>1.</u>** HEAR FROM PUBLIC (MATTERS ON THE AGENDA)

At this time, the Board opened the meeting to comments from the public.

## 2. UPDATE ON SANITARY SEWER EASEMENTS ALONG TRAMMEL FRESNO ROAD

Mr. Willis then updated the Board on the pending sanitary sewer easements. No action was necessary in connection therewith.

#### 3. BOOKKEEPER'S REPORT AND TAX ASSESSOR/COLLECTOR'S REPORT

The Board then considered the Bookkeeper's Report presented by Ms. Grimes, a copy of which is on file in the official records of the District, and the invoices and checks presented for payment as follows:

#### A. Approval of Bills.

The Board reviewed the bills presented for payment, including the invoices discussed in more detail under the Engineer's Report.

## B. <u>Review Investment Report</u>.

The Board reviewed the investment report.

## C. Review Collateral Pledge Report.

The Board reviewed the Collateral Pledge report.

Ms. Grimes then presented the Tax Report from the Fort Bend County Tax Office, noting that the District's taxes are 92.61 percent collected for 2023.

Upon motion duly made by Supervisor Carreon, seconded by Supervisor Vallejo, the Board voted unanimously (i) to approve the Bookkeeper's Report; (ii) to authorize the payment of the checks and invoices listed therein; and (3) to approve the Tax Report.

# 4. ENGINEER'S REPORT

## (a) Report on status of projects:

- i)Gateway Acres Subdivision Wastewater Plumbing Contract (199 properties within original contract)
  - Connection Update:
    - Approximately 100 properties connected to District's WW System...of those, 38 properties are fully complete (including issuance of green door hanger to resident) and the remaining still require some additional work for the property to be considered fully complete)
    - I6 properties were removed from project due to a) properties not securing or properly maintaining water service, b) were not a singlefamily residential property, c) paid for and installed a wastewater connection prior to the plumbing project, and d) connected to the District's wastewater collection system illegally
  - Request Board's approval of Invoice No. 3 from Terracon for material testing services for \$6,147.50
  - Anticipate project being completed by the end of this year
  - Approximately 12 properties have issues that Inframark and DA need to resolve...Inframark and DA to provide update
  - Discuss with Board properties with house and garage with living above situation
- ii) City of Arcola WWTP Expansion Project (0.675 MGD to 0.95 MGD)...District will have 0.35 MGD of WWTP Capacity
  - Per correspondence from CoA, project supposedly is complete...waiting for final invoice from CoA to process and make payment and correspondence to TCEQ that project has been completed
- iii) Fresno Ranchos Subdivision Wastewater Collection System
  - Project currently under design
- iv) Expansion of Teleview Terrace Subdivision Lift Station
  - Engineering Study Report (included) submitted to TCEQ last month and waiting for their review and approval so project can be advertised for construction...continuing to

#### finalize construction drawings and contract manual for project

v) Teal Gardens Development

- DA working on condemnation efforts to secure remaining utility easements for project...Developer needs approval of project from TCEQ, FBC, and City of Houston...once easements have been secured and applicable governmental agencies have approved plans, District will complete their review and approval of the on-site and off-site utility plans

vi) City of Arcola WWTP Expansion Project (0.95 MGD to 1.4 MGD)

- Project is currently under design...once construction is completed, the District will have 0.8 MGD of WWTP capacity
- Received last week "near" 100% complete drawings for District review
- Per updated schedule from CoA provided last week, it is anticipated that the construction contract will be award at the end of May 2025, construction to start mid-2025, and construction completed by the end of 2026

vii) Water Plant No. 2 Generator

- District had requested to investigate the possibility of constructing a natural gas generator
- Per communications with CenterPoint, there is an existing 8" gas line along Renfrow-Burford Road (south side of street)
- Currently working to provide CenterPoint needed information (generator size in KW, total gas load in CFS, and required delivery pressure) so they can perform a pressure study to determine if they can provide services as is to our facility

viii) Portable Diesel Generator for LS's and Double Walled Diesel Storage Tank

- Inframark to provide update on a) portable generator with metal shed and concrete foundation with bollard and b) double walled diesel storage tank

## (b) Authorize Engineer to Prepare Plans and Specifications for Water/Wastewater Projects

- no action items

#### (c) Report on status of project funding and take necessary action related thereto.

- Project One-Year Warranty Expiration Dates

- Gateway Acres Subdivision WW Collection System = 01/31/25
- Fresno Ranchos Subdivision Lift Station and Forcemain = 01/30/25

- <u>2022 TCEQ Loan (\$10.45M)</u> – funds from the loan are needed to fund the completion of the CoA WWTP Expansion Project (0.675 MGD to 0.95 MGD)

- <u>FBC CDBG Funds</u>...will pursue funding source for future plumbing projects

#### (d) Projections for District Water and Wastewater Projects

- request Board approval to update information every January and July

## (e) Discuss Emergency Preparedness Plan and take any necessary action related thereto

- review EPP in April each year to determine if any updates are required

(f) Status of Non-Residential Applications for Water Service -

Connected:	
4320 Doreen Avenue (Multi-Family Dwelling)	La Fresno Food Mart
293 Teakwood Avenue (Multi-Family Dwelling)	Lou's Back Porch
297 Teakwood Avenue (Multi-Family Dwelling)	LT No Limits
Church of God of Prophecy	Mustang Community Center
Dollar General	MVP Auto Parts (Domestic & FW)
Enriguez Tire Shop (East Palm)	Nalco Water (FW)
FBC Water Connection at Water Plant	New Quality Life Ministries (Church)
First Baptist Church of Fresno (Domestic & FW)	New Quality Life Ministries (Restaurant)
Fresno Fiesta	Papa Nick's BBQ Kitchen – Mobile Food Truck
Fresno Gym (3941 FM 521)	PMC International Tire Shop
Fresno Market – FM521 (Domestic & Irrigation)	Quality Paint and Body (Pecan Street)
Fresno Motor	Quality Personal Care
Fresno Mount Corinth Baptist Church	Richard Martini-Rental Livestock Pasture
Fresno Volunteer Fire Department	Robbins Nest for Children (Domestic & FW)
F&R Tax	Sosa Electric (Avenue C)
General Office Space (514 Pecan Street)	St. James Knanaya Church – Fire Tap
Gulf Coast LP Gas Company	St. James Banquet Hall – (Domestic & FW)
HEFCO Enterprises	St. Peters & St. Pauls Orthodox Church of
	Houston
Iglesia Bautista Del Calvario Church	Swingby#3 Gas Station (Domestic & Irrigation)
Iglesia Princepe De Paz Church	Teleview Terrace Subdivision Lift Station
Interconnect with City of Arcola	Tiny Toes Academy
Interconnect with FBCMUD23	Tire Shop at 1739A Trammel Fresno
	Valero Gas Station
	Welcome Market

# **Connections Pending:**

Parks Fresno Food Market (FM521)

- District Operator to update regarding service to customer

# **Processing Application:**

# St Peter and Paul Church (Illinois St)

- Coordinating with DA with list of remaining items so DA can send letter to customer informing them that all must be successfully provided by or before end of this year or application will be considered expired (have discussed matter with customer on phone)...customer currently receiving District water, but would like to add an additional building on property

# Lemark Investments (East Sycamore St)

- request Board's approval of application, contingent upon water meter easement conveyance document being secured and recorded

## Duplex (1615 Avenue C)

- request Board's approval of completed application

# **R&SL** Construction (Edie St)

- received application and application fee for water service (only) for their masonry work facility...request Board's approval to start processing application

Status of Non-Residential Applications for Wastewater Service -

Connected:	
4320 Doreen Avenue (Multi-Family Dwelling)	General Office Space (514 Pecan Street)
293 Teakwood Avenue (Multi-Family Dwelling)	La Fresno Food Market (TFR)
297 Teakwood Avenue (Multi-Family Dwelling)	Mustang Comm Center (minus field bathrooms)
Church of God of Prophecy	New Quality Life Ministries (Church)
First Baptist Church of Fresno	New Quality Life Ministries (Restaurant)
Fresno Volunteer Fire Department	Sosa Electric (Avenue C)
	Quality Paint and Body (Pecan Street)

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Fresno Fiesta (TFR) [previously known as Crossroad Market Store]

- Customer provided plumbing information for review...customer already has District water service

## Welcome Market (TFR)

- Request Board's approval of complete application...tap letter to include additional costs, in accordance with the District's Rate Order, associated with illegal connection...customer currently has District water service

#### Duplex (1615 Avenue C)

- request Board's approval of completed application

## (g) Potential Emergency Water Interconnect with BCMUD21/22

- BCMUD21/22 agreed to District only having to pay ½ of the construction cost of the interconnect vault, with a NTE value of \$75k...DA is handling completion of agreement between parties
- Submitted to Patrick Newton, Engineer (LJA) for BCMUD21/22, the District's thoughts regarding the potential emergency water interconnect between our Districts (location at end of East Sycamore Road)
  - a. Vault to be located at the District's eastern boundary line.

b. Work within the District to upsize the existing 8" waterline to a 12" waterline would consist of predominately trenchless construction (no open cutting driveways).

c. BCMUD21/22 to provide District Operator their water quality data and type of disinfection method used.

d. BCMUD21/22 to provide District information regarding capacities of their water production facilities.

e. BCMUD21/22 would be responsible for all costs associated with this emergency water interconnect project, except for  $\frac{1}{2}$  of construction cost of interconnect vault, with a NTE value of \$75k

f. BCMUD21/22 would be responsible for completing all efforts associated with this project (design, construction, permitting, agency approvals, etc...).

# (h) Status of New CoA WP -

- a. CoA WP is in service and interconnect between the District and CoA is now functioning as an emergency water interconnect
- b. Status of District paying funds owed to CoA regarding take back of 625 connections worth of water service
- c. Status of rework of RFC into a standard emergency water interconnect agreement and a

waste disposal agreement...per DA, efforts are currently underway regarding completion of these agreements and are anticipated to be completed by the end of this year

#### (i) Status of Current and Future WWTP Expansion Projects -

#### South Wastewater Service Area

- See Item A above for status of current projects
- CoA working on securing WWTP Discharge Permit for ultimate capacity of WWTP (4.6 MGD)...permit will also include an interim phase of 1.4 MGD...anticipate permit being secured with TCEQ early 2025
- Ultimate CoA WWTP Expansion Project for District (maximum capacity for District of 1.905 MGD, which is capable of serving 5,442 ESFCs) = District Attorney to document this matter with CoA
- Potentially can increase the District's connection capacity at CoA WWTP by conducting a re-rate study to lower the RFC value of 350 GPD/connection to a lessor value
- <u>Anticipated Timeline for Full Use of WW Connection Capacity (Current 1,000 ESFC</u> <u>Connection Capacity):</u>

Current Connections (Actual and Reserved) as of June 2024:

• Active Residential Connections Per Inframark = 552

 $\circ$  Vacant Residential Connections Per Inframark = 26

- $\circ$  In-Process Residential Connections Per Inframark = 9
- Residential Connections in GA WW Plumbing Contract = 199
- Residential Connections in Teal Gardens Development = 107

 $\circ$  Active Non-Residential Connections, in ESFCs = 19

 $\circ$  In-Process Non-Residential Connections, in ESFCs = <u>11</u>

#### **Total = 923**

#### North Wastewater Service Area

- DA to provide update regarding securing land for District's north WWTP
- (j) Roadway Widening Projects Within District (which will require utility and service line relocations):
  - <u>South Post Oak Boulevard Widening Project (from W Sycamore to Trammel</u> <u>Fresno Rd):</u>
    - Scope Increased ROW width, with 2 lane road and additional lanes throughout sections, with roadside ditches

#### ○Schedule –

- County is currently in process of a) clearing ROW and acquiring easements and b) updating drainage design
- Utility Relocations propose our relocation work to be included in their updated plan set
- Road Construction FBC to update

#### **• Estimated Cost -**

 Per communications with FBC Commissioner, all relocation costs will be paid for by the County

## FM521 Roadway Widening Project (North of SH6):

 OUtility Relocations at Mustang Bayou – Work to be completed at same time that Roadway Contractor is under construction in area of project...work will consist of open cut versus trenchless construction as originally planned...removal of ARV manhole has been completed

- OUtility Relocations from Willow St to Trammel Fresno Road Work completed...need to review final pay estimate with change orders with Inframark so costs can be presented to Board
- $\circ$ Utility Relocations from Pecan St to SH6 investigation still needs to be conducted
- •Roadway Project Updates Final roadway plans provided to District on 05/22/23...project let in April 2023...roadway construction underway with Granite Construction as Contractor...per Roadway Team, work within District to start along south bound lanes at the American Canal and Mustang Bayou, with the installation of the storm sewer first, at outfall first and then working outward, then with the installation of concrete pavement
- $\circ$  Scope 4 lane, divided roadway with raised median, curb and gutter, with underground storm sewer lines, side swales, and sidewalk

○ Schedule –

- Anticipate coordinating necessary water and wastewater utility relocations by 2024/25
- Anticipate roadway widening project to be completed in 2026

• Estimated Cost-

Currently determining extent and cost for utility relocations...later will coordinate with Inframark and Roadway Team so solution and costs can be determined and presented to Board...NORA provided to District

#### - FM521 Roadway Widening Project (South of SH6):

- Scope 4 lane, divided roadway with raised median, curb and gutter, and side path...proposed detention pond along west side of CoA WWTP and new WWTP entrance roadway...including a proposed overpass at the BNSF RR crossing
- Schedule
  - 30% Utility Coordination meeting was conducted in September 2021
  - 60% Utility Coordination meeting was conducted in April 2022
  - 90% Utility Coordination meeting was conducted in October 2023
  - Anticipate 100% completed construction plans TBD
  - Anticipate roadway widening project to start construction in 2026

#### • Estimated Cost -

- NORA provided to District
- Coordinating with Roadway Team so our relocations can be included in their construction plans, which they would design and their contractor construct...assistance would be provided by Jacobs and the District Operator throughout this process...requested that an agreement be provided to the District for this arrangement...currently this relocation effort would need to be paid for by the District, but still investigating the possibility that FBC or TxDOT possibly assist us financially

# - West Sycamore Road Widening Project (possibly sanitary sewer work):

• **Scope** – Proposed 100' ROW, with 4 lane, divided roadway with raised median, curb and gutter, with underground storm sewer lines, and sidewalk

#### • Schedule –

 Received 95% complete roadway plans for review on August 11, 2022...requested updated plans, as drainage design is still being updated, prior to completing review

- Anticipate 100% complete roadway plans TBD
- Coordinating with Roadway Team to have utility relocations (consider new sanitary sewer) included within their construction plans so relocations can be done by their contractor
- Anticipate roadway widening project to start construction TBD
- Estimated Cost -
  - Per communications with FBC Commissioner, all relocation costs will be paid for by the County
- Evergreen Road Widening Project (California Rd to Mustang Bayou):
  - Scope Proposed 80' ROW, with 2-12' lanes, 6' shoulders, asphalt roadway, with roadside ditches

○Schedule –

- Working on 30% complete roadway plans...no overall schedule provided yet
- Coordinating with Roadway Team to have utility relocations included within their construction plans so relocations can be done by their contractor

• Estimated Cost -

 Per communications with FBC Commissioner, all relocation costs will be paid for by the County

## - Evergreen Road Widening Project (Mustang Bayou to FM521):

• Scope – Proposed 80' ROW, with 2-12' lanes, 6' shoulders, asphalt roadway, with roadside ditches

 $\circ$  Schedule –

- Provided 70% complete roadway plans for review and comment...no overall schedule provided yet
- Coordinating with Roadway Team to have utility relocations included within their construction plans so relocations can be done by their contractor

• Estimated Cost -

- Per communications with FBC Commissioner, all relocation costs will be paid for by the County
- West Sycamore Road and South Post Oak Boulevard Intersection:
  - Scope Widening of intersection to accommodate roadway widening projects along West Sycamore Road and South Post Oak Boulevard...Project also includes roadway widening project along West Sycamore Road to the west of this intersection
  - Schedule TBD, but should occur prior to roadway widening projects to the east and north of this intersection
  - Estimated Cost This project will involve the relocation of the District's waterline at this intersection...it has been communicated multiple times to the roadway team that it is the District's understanding that all costs associated with this relocation will be paid for by FBC...The District should be able to review and approve these relocations and the Roadway Contractor should be coordinating all work with the District Operator

## Other Road Widening Projects Within District (Lake Olympia Pkwy, California Road, Kentucky Road, Linden Street, Kansas St, 3<sup>rd</sup> Street...consider water and wastewater utility work) – FBC to provide update

Upon motion made by Supervisor Casher, seconded by Supervisor Carreon, and after full discussion, the Board voted unanimously to approve (1) authorizing the Engineer to treat a house with living above the garage as a single connection, as circumstances warrant on a case-by-case basis; (2) approve Invoice No. 3 from Terracon for material testing in the amount of \$6,147.50; (3) the application for Lemark Investments, contingent upon granting a meter and vault easement; (4) the application for the duplex at 1615 Avenue C; (5) processing the application for R&SL Construction; and (6) the Engineer's Report, as presented.

## 5. OPERATOR'S REPORT/TERMINATION OF SERVICE

Next the Board recognized Mr. Cardenas, who submitted to and reviewed with the Board the Operator's Report, a copy of which is on file in the official records of the District.

## A. <u>Repairs to Water and Wastewater systems</u>

Mr. Cardenas reported substantial system repairs and maintenance as follows:

- Inframark repaired a leaking hydrant at 1219 Avenue B.
- Inframark installed a new hydrant at 3306 Maryland.
- Inframark installed a water tap at 4439 Tulip and 228 Willow.

Mr. Cardenas then updated the Board on the following:

- 1. <u>Smoke Testing:</u> Inframark is quoting smoke testing for the infiltration issue. It was recommended that the smoke testing be deferred until the manhole survey is complete.
- 2. <u>Manhole Survey</u>: Inframark is working on the manhole survey for the District at a cost of \$55 per manhole, or a total of \$9,625.00.
- 3. <u>Diesel Reserve Tank:</u> Mr. Cardenas presented a quote for a diesel reserve tank at Water Plant.
- 4. <u>Portable Generator:</u> Mr. Cardenas presented a quote for a portable generator for the District's lift stations.
- 5. <u>AC Unit:</u> Mr. Cardenas presented a quote to replace the AC unit at WP 2 for an estimated cost of \$5,800.
- 6. <u>FM 521 Road Widening Relocation</u>: The Board authorized the relocation plan proposed by Texas Hot Taps at the October meeting for the estimated amount of \$70,956.36. Subsequently, the estimate was amended to \$53,233.70. This is in progress.

## **B.** <u>Requests for Water Taps</u>

Mr. Cardenas did not report any requests at this time.

## C. Delinquent Water Accounts and Service Terminations

Mr. Cardenas provided a confidential list of customers that received a delinquent letter by mail and are subject to disconnection of service.

Supervisor Carreon asked about the fire hydrant at 3623 Eddie that has continued to leak for an extended period of time. Mr. Cardenas explained that this hydrant is scheduled for repair.

Upon a motion duly made by Supervisor Casher, seconded by Supervisor Vallejo, and after full discussion, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Operator's Report, the recommended write-offs, the repairs to the water and wastewater system, including the AC unit at Water Plant No. 2, the leak adjustment requests, and the termination list.

## 6. ATTORNEY'S REPORT

The Board recognized Mr. Willis, who presented the Attorney's report as follows:

#### A. Approval of Minutes

The proposed minutes of the meeting held on September 19, 2024, were presented for approval.

Upon motion duly made by Supervisor Carreon, seconded by Supervisor Medina, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of September 19, 2024, as presented.

#### **B.** Regional Facilities Contract

The Board noted there was no action necessary in connection with the Regional Facilities Contract.

#### C. Eminent Domain to Condemn Property

Consideration was then given to use eminent domain to condemn property located at 2822 Naill Road, Fresno, Texas 77545.

Upon motion by Supervisor Vallejo, seconded by Supervisor Medina, and after full discussion, the Board voted unanimously to use eminent domain to condemn property located at 2822 Naill Road.

# D. Resolution Authorizing Engagement of Appraiser to Appraise Certain Land and Other Actions

Consideration was then given to a Resolution Authorizing Engagement of Appraiser to Appraise Certain Land, Authorizing Attorney to Negotiate for the Purchase of Certain Land and to Make a Final Offer, and authorizing condemnation proceedings.

Upon a motion made by Supervisor Casher, seconded by Supervisor Medina, the Board by unanimous vote (1) approved the Resolution Authorizing Engagement of Appraiser to Appraise Certain Land, Authorizing Attorney to Negotiate for the Purchase of Certain Land and to Make a Final Offer; and (2) authorized McFarland PLLC and SK Law to negotiate for the purchase of certain land, make a final offer and authorize condemnation proceedings.

## **E.** <u>Right-of-Entry Agreement</u>

Mr. Willis then presented to the Board a Right-of-Entry Agreement (the "Agreement") for the property at 2822 Naill Road to conduct geotechnical testing.

Upon motion duly made by Supervisor Casher, seconded by Supervisor Vallejo, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Agreement.

# 7. <u>REGIONAL PLANT COMMITTEE REPORT</u>

The Board then considered the Regional Plant Committee Report.

Upon a motion made by Supervisor Casher, seconded by Supervisor Vallejo, and after full discussion, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Regional Plant Committee Report.

# **<u>8.</u>** HEAR FROM THE PUBLIC.

The Board then opened the meeting to comments from the public. Several residents addressed the Board concerning the cost of water and sewer taps.

There being no further business to come before the Board, upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn.

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PASSED, ADOPTED, and APPROVED this \_

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