

**MINUTES**  
**MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO WATER SYSTEM**  
**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**Wednesday, December 9, 2015**  
**9:00 A.M.**

**SAN ANTONIO WATER SYSTEM**  
**ADMINISTRATION BUILDING**  
**CONFERENCE ROOM A-544**

**1. Meeting called to order.**

The regular meeting of the Capital Improvements Advisory Committee (CIAC) was called to order at 9:07 a.m. on Wednesday, December 9, 2015 by Dan Kossl, Chairman, Capital Improvements Advisory Committee. Mr. Kossl asked everyone present to introduce themselves. Introductions were made.

**Committee Members Present:**

Arlene Fisher, District 1  
Susan Wright, District 2  
Michael Cude, District 4  
Gerardo Noriega, District 5  
Michael Hogan, District 6  
Robert Hahn, District 7  
Charles Conner, District 8  
Dan Kossl, District 10

**Committee Members Not Present:**

Amy Hardberger, Mayor/ETJ

**SAWS Staff Members Present:**

Genoveva Gomez, Vice-President  
Tim Skoglund, Senior Director  
Andrea Beymer, Interim Director  
Sam Mills, Director, Engineering  
Keith Martin, Corporate Counsel  
Mark Schnur, Planner IV  
Felipe Martinez, Planner II

**Other Representatives Present:**

Pam Monroe, COSA  
Theodore Sims, COSA  
Marisela Vasquez, COSA

Alan Montemayor, Citizen

**2. Citizens To Be Heard**

Mr. Kossl recognized Mr. Alan Montemayor. Mr. Montemayor stated that he represents the Sierra Club and other organizations and that he has grave concerns over the Vista Ridge project. He recognized the committee's limited scope of interest over the Vista Ridge projects, but that the project will include 19 miles of water pipeline over the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone. He urged SAWS to reroute the pipeline away from the EARZ. He also expressed concern that waiving impact fees places a burden on low income ratepayers and concern over endangered species.

**3. Approval of the minutes of the CIAC regular meeting of January 28, 2015.**

The committee approved the January 28, 2015 minutes.

**4. Briefing and deliberation on electing a CIAC Vice Chairman**

Mr. Kossl nominated Mr. Hogan and asked for other nominations. There being none, Mr. Cude and Ms. Wright seconded the nomination, and the committee unanimously elected Mr. Hogan as Vice Chairman.

**4. Briefing and deliberation on the status of impact fee related projects and impact fees collected and spent**

Mr. Schnur presented a report on the status of impact fee funds and projects. Mr. Schnur and Mr. Mills explained the summary table, that SAWS is collecting impact fees to reimburse the ratepayers for projects that are already constructed and in use, and that total commitments is funds from all sources used for impact fee eligible projects. Mr. Kossl commented that the Water Supply increase to \$2,796 was levied with a one year deferment. Ms. Guerrero asked about uncommitted impact fees, and Mr. Mills replied that impact fees will be used for future projects to keep water and sewer rates lower. Mr. Hogan explained that the committee's role is to vet the list of projects and make recommendations to City Council. Ms. Guerrero asked if SAWS could add Vista Ridge to the list of impact fee eligible projects, and Mr. Hogan explained that projects can't be added without a formal update, normally on a five year cycle. Ms. Wright commented that when the committee is discussing the impact fee updates, the discussions are lively, but everyone still likes each other. Ms. Wright requested a training session for new committee members, and staff replied that they will schedule a training session. A question was raised about the City's infill area, the ICRIP, and Mr. Mills replied that the City allows up to \$3 million per year with up to \$5 million to rollover to the next year. Mr. Schnur observed that the City waived the impact fees for the Joint Base San Antonio water main, and that AACOG applied for a grant to offset the costs of the project. The committee requested an update on

tracking the population projections, and staff committed to including that on the next meeting agenda. Staff also mentioned that the District Special Project will be dissolved within the next year.

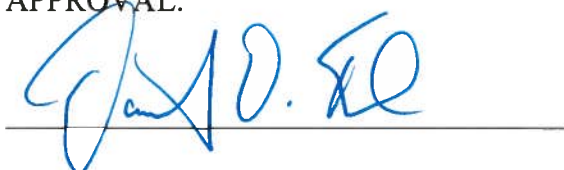
**5. Briefing and deliberation on the Vista Ridge Water Project**

Mr. Skoglund presented slides on project. He covered the background, timeline, progress, and SAWS' involvement in the project. Mr. Kossel asked about the length of the leases, which are 30 years. The financial close target date is May 1, 2016. Mr. Hahn asked about the pipe sizes, which are 48-inch to 60-inches. Ms. Beymer discussed the integration of the water into SAWS system. Mr. Hogan asked about a groundwater conservation district, and Mr. Skoglund replied that it is in the Post Oak Water GCD. A questions was raised about sending VR water to the Aquifer Storage and Recovery facility, and Ms. Beymer replied that it would be a trade, but SAWS cannot store VR water directly in the ASR. SAWS is storing water in the ASR at a rate of 40 Million Gallons per Day, and approaching 90,000 acre-feet of stored water. The ASR capacity is projected to be 200,000 acre-feet. Mr. Connor asked about how Abengoa was able to form the Abengoa Vista Ridge corporation, and Mr. Mills replied that it was to transfer liability to AVR, and each venture stands on its own. Mr. Hahn asked about the resupply rate of the Carrizo-Wilcox aquifer, and Mr. Skoglund replied that it has always been full so the resupply rate is not well understood.

**6. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

APPROVAL:



CIAC Chairman