MINUTES
MEETING OF THE SAN ANTONIO WATER SYSTEM
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Wednesday, January 28, 2015
10:00 A.M.

SAN ANTONIO WATER SYSTEM
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
EXECUTIVE CONFERENCE ROOM

1. Meeting called to order.

The regular meeting of the Capital Improvements Advisory Committee (CIAC) was called to order at 10:10 a.m. on Wednesday, January 28, 2015 by Dan Koss, Chairman, Capital Improvements Advisory Committee. Mr. Koss welcomed Mr. Gerardo Noriega, District 5, as a new member of the committee. Staff informed the committee that the vacant District 3 seat is advertised by the city. Mr. Schnur introduced the agenda.

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
Dan Koss, District 10
Amy Hardberger, Mayor/ETJ

Committee Members Not Present:
Charles Conner, District 8
James Garcia, District 9

SAWS Staff Members Present:
Robert Puente, President/CEO
Andrea Beymer, Sr. Executive Management Analyst
Sam Mills, Director, Engineering
Darren Thompson, Director, Water Resources
Tracey Lehmann, Manager, Engineering
Keith Martin, Corporate Counsel
Mark Schnur, Planner IV
Felipe Martinez, Planner II
Other Representatives Present:
Jeff Pullin, COSA
Morris Harris, COSA
Alfred Chang, COSA
Pam Monroe, COSA
Marisela Vasquez, COSA
Garland Scott
Gabrielle Rodriguez

2. Citizens To Be Heard

There were no citizens to be heard.

3. Approval of the minutes of the CIAC regular meeting of March 6, 2014.

The committee approved the March 6, 2014 minutes. Mr. Hogan commented that his estimate of the average cost of a new home was low by $25,000, as the average cost of a new home is now $200,000 in San Antonio. The committee discussed trends in housing.

4. Briefing and deliberation on electing a CIAC Vice Chairman

The committee decided to defer action on this item until the next meeting when all committee members are present.

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 and clarified that impact fees collected prior to 2006 are not in the balance column, 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. Ms. Hardberger asked if SAWS is applying for any SWIFT funds, and Mr. Schnur stated that he would check and let the committee know. The committee asked for electronic copies of the report and a current committee roster.

5. Briefing and deliberation on the Vista Ridge Water Project

Mr. Puente presented slides on SAWS’ water resources projects and the Vista Ridge project. Mr. Hogan asked if SAWS planned to spend $100 million on integrating the Vista Ridge water into the system over the next five years, and Mr. Puente affirmed this. Mr. Hogan asked about treating recycled water for consumption. Mr. Puente replied that people are not ready to buy into it yet, citing
the “yuck factor”. Mr. Hogan suggested building the capability into the system to treat recycled water for consumption. Mr. Hahn asked why the Vista Ridge water was coming from so far away, and Mr. Puente answered that the Carrizo aquifer between San Antonio and Burleson County had many political issues, and the Burleson County site is also a “sweet spot” in the aquifer. Mr. Puente explained that the Vista Ridge water is expensive compared to SAWS other supplies, and that SAWS is looking at selling the excess supplies in the short term to offset the cost. Mr. Kossel stated that the Vista Ridge water will look inexpensive in 30 years. Mr. Mills stated that there is $800 million of Water Supply CIP that SAWS and the CIAC will consider in the next impact fee update. Mr. Cude asked for an electronic copy of the slides.

6. **Adjournment**

The committee agreed to meet on May 20, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. The meeting was adjourned at 11:04 a.m.

**APPROVAL:**

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CIAC Chairman