



# City of San Antonio

## Agenda Memorandum

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**Agenda Item Number:** 2

**Agenda Date:** September 25, 2024

**In Control:** Conservation Advisory Board Meeting

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**DEPARTMENT:** Parks & Recreation Department

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Homer Garcia III

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED:** Citywide

**SUBJECT:**

A discussion and update regarding the Roland Smith Ranch by The Nature Conservancy.

**SUMMARY:**

The Nature Conservancy will provide an update on the Roland Smith Ranch property.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The Nature Conservancy will provide an update on the Roland Smith Ranch property. The Roland Smith Ranch is approximately 151.14 acres located north of Concan in the Edwards Aquifer Recharge Zone in Uvalde County. This property ranked in the 80<sup>th</sup> percentile of the SET GIS spatial model. Edwards Aquifer Authority's geological assessment report confirmed the property will provide high water quality and high water quantity benefits if protected. Stage 2 due diligence (survey and environmental reports) have been completed. The Nature Conservancy will be requesting final approval for this project from the Conservation Advisory Board. If approved, the

Edwards Aquifer Protection Program will proceed with requesting authorization from City Council to purchase a conservation easement on this property in Fiscal Year 2025.

**ISSUE:**

The Nature Conservancy will provide an update on status of the Roland Smith Ranch. The Conservation Advisory Board may elect to give final approval for this project.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

None.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

City staff recommends final approval for the Roland Smith Ranch conservation easement project.