



# City of San Antonio

## Agenda Memorandum

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**Agenda Date:** May 17, 2024

**In Control:** Governance Committee Meeting

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**DEPARTMENT:** Office of the City Clerk

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Debbie Racca-Sittre

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED:** Citywide

**SUBJECT:**

Consideration of (1) At-Large to the San Antonio Water System for the current Trustee of the South Sector of the San Antonio Water System (SAWS) Board of Trustees.

**SUMMARY:**

The Governance Council Committee will interview Eduardo Belmares, the current Trustee appointed to the South Sector of the San Antonio Water System Board of Trustees to consider their reappointment.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

On April 30, 1992, the City Council created the San Antonio Water System by Ordinance 75686. Section 32 of this Ordinance prescribes management of the System by a Board of Trustees, which includes the Mayor as an ex-officio member. Paragraph D provides that all vacancies on the board shall be filled by a majority vote of all members of the City Council then holding office.

The San Antonio Water System Board of Trustees is vested with the complete management, control and operation of the Water System. The Board controls the expenditure and application of the revenues of the System and makes recommendations to the City Council concerning rates, fees, and changes for services rendered by the System. Members serve a 4-year term of office, beginning on June 1 and ending on May 31, and are limited to serving 2 terms of office, unless their first appointment was for the remainder of an unexpired term of office of less than two years.

Paragraph 4 of Ordinance No. 87010, passed on November 20, 1997, requires trustees to be U.S. citizens and reside inside the corporate limits of the City or inside the area served by the System.

The San Antonio Water System Board At-Large Representatives are comprised of the following categories:

- One representative of the South Sector
- One representative of the Southwest Quadrant
- One representative of the North Sector
- One representative of the Northeast Quadrant
- One representative of the Northwest Quadrant
- One representative of the Southeast Quadrant

On September 17, 2020, Ed Belmares was appointed as Trustee for the South Sector for the remainder of an unexpired term of office ending May 31, 2024. He is seeking reappointment to this position.

**ISSUE:**

The San Antonio Water System Board appointments require full City Council approval.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

N/A

**RECOMMENDATION:**

The City Clerk recommends forwarding the Governance Council Committee's recommendations for approval by the full City Council at the next available A Session.