



# City of San Antonio

## Agenda Memorandum

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**Agenda Date:** August 23, 2023

**In Control:** Conservation Advisory Board Meeting

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**DEPARTMENT:** Parks & Recreation Department

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Homer Garcia III

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED:** Citywide

**SUBJECT:**

EAPP staff will provide a briefing and update on Texas A&M University - San Antonio and University of Texas at San Antonio's Proposition 1-funded water quality projects.

**SUMMARY:**

EAPP staff will provide a briefing and update on Texas A&M University - San Antonio and University of Texas at San Antonio's Proposition 1-funded water quality projects.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The 2015 Proposition 1 program was approved for \$100 million to support the Edwards Aquifer Protection Program; \$90 million was allocated for acquisition of land and conservation easements over the Edwards Aquifer Recharge and Contributing Zones to protect recharge quality and quantity and \$10 million was dedicated to fund Edwards Aquifer protection projects within urbanized areas of Bexar County's recharge and contributing zones with a focus of improving Edwards Aquifer water quality.

In 2019, City Council approved a \$218,937 funding agreement with Texas A&M University – San Antonio (TAMU-SA) through the Proposition 1 program permitting TAMU-SA for development of a user friendly karst database and for development of first responder training curriculum outlining best management practices to prevent Edwards Aquifer water quality impacts as a result of water runoff from fires in the Edwards Aquifer recharge and contributing zones. TAMU-SA's funding agreement has been granted an administrative, no-cost eight-month extension to 3/31/2024 in order to consult with additional stakeholders and incorporate input into the training materials.

In 2019, City Council also approved a \$1,035,761 funding agreement with University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA) through the Proposition 1 program permitting UTSA to construct and evaluate the performance of permeable pavement surfaces at Classen Steubing Ranch Park. UTSA's funding agreement is expiring on 9/1/2023 and has requested an administrative, no-cost 16-month extension to 12/31/2024 in order to allow for additional time to collect rain water sampling due to extended drought conditions.

**ISSUE:**

EAPP staff will provide a briefing and update on Texas A&M University - San Antonio and University of Texas at San Antonio's Proposition 1-funded water quality projects.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

None.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

This is a briefing item only.