

City of San Antonio**MINUTES****Southern Edwards Plateau Habitat Conservation Plan
Coordinating Committee**

Tuesday, March 12, 2024**3:30 PM****Development and Business
Services Center,
1901 S. Alamo**

At any time during the meeting, the Southern Edwards Plateau Habitat Conservation Plan Coordinating Committee may meet in executive session for consultation with the City Attorney's Office concerning attorney client matters under Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

It is the intent of the City that the presiding officer will be in attendance at this location.

3:30 P.M. Call to Order

Roll Call – Present: Ramirez, Nino, Garcia, Flores, McGlamery, Brach
Absent: None

Public Comment – No public comment

Briefing and Possible Action on the following items:**Item #1**

Discussion and possible action on a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with SEP-HCP and CPS Energy System Wide HCP regarding current and future projects. Staff recommends approval. (Monique Kormann, Development Services Policy Administrator, Development Services Department (210) 207-5016, monique.kormann@sanantonio.gov; Jenny Blair, Blair Wildlife Consulting).

Committee Member Nino and Committee Member Flores joined Via Web Ex at 3:34 pm.

Lauren Chavez, Principal Planner, stated this project is located throughout Bexar County and would consist of various future projects in which would otherwise be ineligible to enroll in the SEP-HCP and that CPS Energy would utilize the incidental take authorization provided by their own HCP. CPS Energy intends to use the SEP-HCP for authorization of incidental take of the Covered Karst Invertebrates under the following circumstances:

- When it determines that ESA Section 10 authorization for one or more of the Covered Karst Invertebrates covered by the SEP-HCP is needed for CPS Energy activities.
- Where CPS Energy Activities occur within the permit area for the SEP-HCP.
- Where the SEP-HCP is available for use by CPS Energy.

For circumstances in which CPS Energy cannot enroll directly in the SEP-HCP, CPS Energy has worked with SEP- HCP to establish an MOA, so that CPS Energy can provide the SEP-HCP Conservation Program mitigation as defined in and required by the CPS Energy System-wide HCP to offset impacts of take resulting from Covered Activities authorized under the CPS Energy System-wide HCP and Incidental Take Permit. Mitigation of CPS Energy Projects in which CPS Energy uses their own HCP and Incidental Take and identifies the SEP-HCP as the beneficiary of the mitigation will be accomplished through the establishment of a Memorandum of Agreement with CPS Energy and could require one or more of the following:

- Payments for the establishment, management, monitoring, and perpetual funding for the SEP-HCP to establish and maintain a Karst Fauna Area
- Contributions towards the future establishment, management, monitoring, and funding for SEP-HCP Karst Fauna Areas

Enrollments, including this item, in the SEP-HCP will require submission of a \$2,500 processing fee which has already been paid for this project. If approved, CPS Energy will pay an additional \$125.00 for this enrollment. Future enrollment costs will vary based on future enrollments. Staff recommends approval and execution of the CPS Energy MOA, specifically for the Loop 1604 Non-Joint Bid Segment 1 project.

Motion

A motion was made by Committee Member McGlamery and was seconded by Committee Member Flores to approve as presented.

A verbal vote was taken, and all voted in affirmative.

MOTION PASSES

Item #2

Discussion and possible action on SEP-HCP application for HPI Bulverde Road Storage, LLC, (LAND-SEP-APP24-46900001), located west of the intersection of Bulverde Road and WR Larson Road; immediately east of US Highway 281 North, in San Antonio, Bexar County, Texas. Staff recommends approval. (Monique Kormann, Development Services Policy Administrator, Development Services Department (210) 207-5016, monique.kormann@sanantonio.gov; Jenny Blair, Blair Wildlife Consulting).

Lauren Chavez, Principal Planner, stated this project consist of 5.512 acres off Bulverde Road and WR Larson Road. The applicant is considering development and wishes to enroll in SEP HCP to mitigate impacts to the SEP-HCP Covered Species from the development activities. This project

area includes 0 acres of golden-cheeked warbler (GCW) habitat with the Project Area and 0 acres of GCW habitat within 300 feet of the project area. The project area does not have any black-capped vireo habitat and will not require any BCV conservation credits. She stated the area is located in Karst Zone 2 and totals 5.633 acres. It is not located within any Critical Habitat Units nor is it within 750-ft of any occupied features. Participation in the SEP-HCP for this application will require Karst Zone 1 & 2 participation fee of \$5,633.00 and Plan Administration Fee of \$563.30. Staff recommends approval.

Motion

A motion was made by Committee Member Brach and was seconded by Committee Member McGlamery to approve as presented.

A verbal vote was taken, and all voted in affirmative.

MOTION PASSES**Item #3**

Approval of the minutes from the Southern Edwards Plateau Habitat Conservation Plan Coordinating Committee meeting on January 23, 2024.

Motion

A motion was made by Committee Member Nino and was seconded by Committee Member Brach to approve as presented.

A verbal vote was taken, and all voted in affirmative.

MOTION PASSES

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

APPROVED

Melissa Ramirez, Chair

ATTEST:

Monique Kormann, Executive Secretary