

CITY OF SAN ANTONIO CONSERVATION ADVISORY BOARD

MINUTES

April 27, 2022

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

| Member Name | Agency Represented |
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| Dr. Francine Romero | <i>San Antonio Parks & Recreation Board</i> |
| Mr. Grant Ellis for Mr. Homer Garcia | <i>COSA Parks & Recreation Dept.</i> |
| Mr. Brock Curry | <i>Edwards Aquifer Authority (EAA)</i> |
| Mr. Steve Graham | <i>San Antonio River Authority (SARA)</i> |
| Mr. Scott Halty for Mr. Robert Puente | <i>San Antonio Water System (SAWS)</i> |
| Mr. Rogelio Garcia | <i>Greater SATX</i> |
| Dr. Russell Persyn (via WebEx) | <i>Medina County</i> |

STAFF PRESENT

Melinda Cerda, Assistant Director, Parks & Recreation
Phillip Covington, Special Projects Manager, Edwards Aquifer Protection Program (EAPP)
Susan Courage, Senior Management Analyst, EAPP (via WebEx)
David Bernal, Management Analyst, EAPP
Stephen Whitworth, Assistant City Attorney, City Attorney's Office
Victoria Shum, Assistant City Attorney, City Attorney's Office (via WebEx)

GUESTS PRESENT

| Name | Organization |
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| David Bezanson | The Nature Conservancy |
| Jeff Francell | The Nature Conservancy |
| Jeff Weigel | The Nature Conservancy |
| Doug Dillow | Green Spaces Alliance |
| Clay Thompson | Green Spaces Alliance |

REGULAR BUSINESS

Meeting was called to order at 1:08 pm by Chairwoman Francine Romero. Roll call was taken by Dr. Romero.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Romero asked for approval of the minutes for the March 23, 2022, meeting. Dr. Russell Persyn motioned for approval of the minutes. Mr. Brock Curry seconded. Minutes approved. Motion carried.

ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

- Mr. Phillip Covington stated that the Galewsky Ranch conservation easement was scheduled to close May 2, 2022.
- Mr. Covington stated that he would attend the Audit & Accountability Committee meeting on April 27, 2022 to provide a post-solicitation update on the Land Acquisition Team (LAT) Request for Qualifications (RFQ). He also stated that he would present the proposals and go to City Council with the recommended vendors by June 2022.
- Mr. Covington stated that Mr. Brock Curry would retire from the EAA towards the end of this year. He also stated that Mr. Thomas Marsalia with EAA would apply to fill that vacancy on the CAB.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

No citizens to be heard.

INDIVIDUAL ITEMS

1. Discussion & Updates regarding the Dillingham, Hampton, Swain and Pearce Ranch: The Nature Conservancy
 - a. Mr. David Bezanson presented the Dillingham Ranch for final approval.
 - b. Mr. Bezanson presented the Hampton Ranch for stage 2 approval.
 - c. Mr. Bezanson presented the Swain Ranch for stage 2 approval.
 - d. Mr. Bezanson presented the Pearce Ranch for final approval.
2. Discussion & Update regarding the Curd Ranch: Green Spaces Alliance
 - a. Mr. Clay Thompson presented the Seco Valley Ranch for stage 1 approval.
 - b. Mr. Thompson presented the Maverick Springs Ranch for stage 2 approval.

Closed Regular Session & Opened Executive Session started at 1:30 pm.

Deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property and discuss related legal issues pursuant to Texas Government Code Sections 551.072 (real property) and 552.071 (consultation with an attorney).

Closed Executive Session & Opened Regular Session ended at 2:36 pm.

3. Action on proposed items and acquisitions from Agenda items 1 & 2.
 - Chairwoman Romero opened the floor for motions and a roll call was taken to ensure a quorum and a vote on the motion:

- Mr. Scott Halty motioned for stage 2 approval on the Highway 211/Hampton property contingent on discussions by CAB. Mr. Brock Curry seconded. No further discussion. Motion passed.
- Mr. Brock Curry motioned for final approval on the Dillingham Ranch. Mr. Scott Halty seconded. No further discussion. Motion passed.
- Mr. Scott Halty motioned for stage 2 approval on the Swain property. Mr. Brock Curry seconded. No further discussion. Motion passed.
- Mr. Scott Halty motioned for final approval on the Pearce property. Mr. Brock Curry seconded. No further discussion. Motion passed.
- Mr. Scott Halty motioned for stage 1 approval on the Seco Valley Ranch. Mr. Brock Curry seconded. No further discussion. Motion passed.
- Mr. Brock Curry motioned for stage 2 approval on the Schneider/Maverick Springs property. Mr. Scott Halty seconded. No further discussion. Motion passed.

4. Program fiscal report: Mr. David Bernal stated that there were no updates to the fiscal report.

5. Monitoring status report: Ms. Susan Courage stated that there were no updates on the annual monitoring site visits.

6. Report, Discussion, and Action regarding Agenda and for the next CAB meeting – May 25, 2022, at 1:00 pm, at the San Antonio River Authority.

Adjournment at 2:44 pm.