

RESOLUTION AND ORDER NO. 06-25-126

OF THE EDWARDS AQUIFER AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
APPROVING AN ENGAGEMENT LETTER BETWEEN THE EAA AND  
DARCY ALAN FROWNELTER FOR INDEPENDENT LEGAL  
ADVISEMENT SERVICES FOR \$15,000 PER MONTH FOR THE PERIOD  
JULY 16, 2025, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2026.

WHEREAS, the Edwards Aquifer Authority (“EAA”) was created by the Edwards Aquifer Authority Act of May 30, 1993, 73rd Leg., R.S., ch. 626, 1993 Tex. Gen. Laws 2350, as amended (“Act”); and

WHEREAS, under Section 1.02 of the Act, the EAA is a conservation and reclamation district created by virtue of Article XVI, Section 59 of the Texas Constitution, and is a governmental agency and body politic and corporate vested with the full authority to exercise the powers and to perform the functions specified in the Act; and

WHEREAS, under Section 1.08(a) of the Act, the EAA has all the powers, rights and privileges necessary to manage, conserve, preserve, and protect the Edwards Aquifer (“Aquifer”) and to increase the recharge of, and prevent the waste or pollution of water in the Aquifer; and

WHEREAS, under 1.11(d)(2) of the Act, and other applicable law, the EAA may enter into contracts; and

WHEREAS, under Section 49.211(a), Texas Water Code, the EAA has the functions, powers, authority, rights, and duties that will permit it to accomplish the purposes for which it was created or the purposes authorized by the Constitution, the Texas Water Code, or any other law; and

WHEREAS, under Section 49.213(b), Texas Water Code, the EAA may enter into contracts with any person or any public or private entity in the performance of any purpose or function authorized to be performed by the EAA; and

WHEREAS, under Section 49.213(c)(7), Texas Water Code, the EAA may enter into contracts with persons or any public or private entities on the terms and conditions the Board of Directors (“Board”) of the EAA may consider desirable, fair, and advantageous for, among other things, the exercise of any rights, powers, and duties granted to the EAA; and

WHEREAS, the EAA desires to engage Darcy Alan Frownfelter to provide legal advisement services; and

WHEREAS, Article 11.02(b) of the EAA Bylaws requires that any agreement, contract, or any other procurement instrument whose value exceeds \$100,000 be approved by a written resolution of the EAA Board; and

WHEREAS, the total amount to be paid to Darcy Alan Frownfelter, under the terms of the Agreement will exceed \$100,000; and

WHEREAS, a regular meeting of the Board was held on June 10, 2025, at 1:00 p.m., notice of the public meeting having been duly and properly posted in accordance with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code; and

WHEREAS, an agenda item was duly listed in the notice of public meeting that is the subject of this Resolution and Order; and

WHEREAS, a majority of the Directors of the Board were in attendance and constituted a quorum; and

WHEREAS, a vote of the majority of the quorum of the Board in attendance passed on, voted in favor of, and adopted the following Resolution and Order; and

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest that the EAA enter into the Contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE EDWARDS AQUIFER AUTHORITY THAT:

Section 1. The recitals set out above are found to be true and correct, and they are hereby adopted by the Board of Directors and are made a part of this Resolution and Order for all purposes.

Section 2. The Board of Directors hereby approves the Engagement Letter with Darcy Alan Frownfelter for independent legal advisement services in an amount of \$15,000 per month.

Section 3. The General Manager is authorized to release payment as required by the Contract.

Section 4. This Resolution and Order shall become effective from and after its adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE EDWARDS AQUIFER AUTHORITY THIS 10<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JUNE 2025.

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Enrique P. Valdivia  
Chairman, Board of Directors

ATTEST:

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Rachel Allyn Sanborn  
Secretary, Board of Directors