



# Edwards Aquifer Authority

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## NOTICE OF OPEN MEETING

### Finance/Administrative Committee

*Ron Ellis -- Chairman*  
*Directors Laffere, Miller, Salinas, Valdivia, and Youngblood*  
*Felix Marquez - EAA Staff Liaison*

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Tuesday, October 27, 2020

10:30 AM

Via Teleconference

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In response to the COVID-19 crisis and in accordance with section 418.016 of the Texas Government Code, Governor Greg Abbott has suspended various provisions that require government officials and members of the public to be physically present at a specified meeting location. To protect the health of the public, EAA staff and Board of Directors, this meeting of the EAA Executive Committee will be conducted via teleconference in a manner consistent with these streamlined meeting standards.

The public may virtually attend the live meeting by going to <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81730994205>. Individuals wishing to offer public comment during the meeting must register their name, telephone number and the item, if any, on which they wish to speak no later than 5:00 pm Monday, October 26, by emailing [jesparza@edwardsaquifer.org](mailto:jesparza@edwardsaquifer.org) or by calling 210.477.5116. Staff will contact registered speakers prior to the meeting time to arrange the process of addressing the committee.

At this meeting, the following business may be considered, and the committee may take action to make recommendations to the board on any of the following items:

#### AGENDA

- A. Call to Order
- B. Public Comment
- C. Committee Reports
  - C.1 Receive report from a representative of Valley View Consulting on the investment activity for the third quarter of 2020.
- D. Individual Consideration
  - D.1 Consider EAA staff recommendation to approve amendments to the Edwards Aquifer Authority Bylaws and reapprove Article IX pertaining to the EAA Investment Policy and Investment Strategy.

- D.2** Consider EAA staff recommendation to declare certain personal property of the EAA to be surplus and to authorize the disposal of the surplus property.
- D.3** Consider EAA staff recommendation to approve the Edwards Aquifer Habitat Conservation Plan FY2020 Funding Application Amendment submitted by the City of New Braunfels.
- D.4** Consider EAA staff recommendation to approve the Edwards Aquifer Habitat Conservation Plan FY2020 Funding Application Amendment submitted by the City of San Marcos/Texas State University and associated 2020 EAA Operating Budget amendment.
- D.5** Consider EAA staff recommendation to approve the Edwards Aquifer Habitat Conservation Plan FY2021 Funding Applications submitted by the Edwards Aquifer Authority (\$11,815,625), the City of New Braunfels (\$470,385), and the City of San Marcos/Texas State University (\$1,396,377).
- D.6** Consider EAA staff recommendation to approve purchase of disaster recovery hardware and related technology from SHI Government Solutions in the amount of \$46,921.
- D.7** Consider EAA staff recommendation to amend the 2020 EAA Operating Budget by transferring \$50,000 from the Information Technology Capital Expense to Non-Capital accounts.
- D.8** Consider EAA staff recommendation to approve payment to Kemp Smith for legal services for September 2020.
- D.9** Consider EAA staff recommendation to approve an arrangement letter with RSM US, L.L.P., to provide independent audit services for fiscal year 2020.
- D.10** Consider EAA staff recommendation to adopt the annual operating budget for fiscal year 2021 and assessing aquifer management fee and program aquifer management fee rates for 2021.

## **E. Staff Reports**

- E.1** Receive report from EAA staff on unaudited financial statements for September 2020.

## **F. Closed Session**

- G. Consider and take action on recommendation(s) regarding matters deliberated in closed session.**
- H. Consider future agendas**
- I. Adjournment.**
- J. Written Reports**

October 22, 2020

Jennifer Wong-Esparza  
Assistant to Board Secretary

Pursuant to Sections 36.054(b) and 49.064, Texas Water Code, this scheduled meeting of this committee is not subject to the requirements of the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, as long as a quorum of the Board of Directors ("Board") of the Edwards Aquifer Authority is not present. However, because this meeting is open to the public, members of the Board who are not members of this committee may attend this meeting. If non-committee member directors attend this meeting in numbers such that a quorum of the Board is present, this meeting will constitute a special meeting of the Board subject to the Open Meetings Act and will be conducted in accordance therewith. However, non-committee member directors present at this meeting will have no right to vote on any matter before this committee. Moreover, no action taken at this committee meeting, whether or not there is a quorum of the Board present, shall constitute a final action of the Board.

In the Notice of Open Meeting for this committee meeting, the posting of an agenda item as a matter to be discussed in open session is not intended to limit or require discussion of that matter in open session if the committee chair determines, or the committee votes, that it is appropriate to discuss the matter in closed session. The posting of an agenda item as a matter to be discussed in closed session is not intended to limit or require discussion of that matter in closed session if the committee chair determines, or the committee votes, that it is appropriate to discuss the matter in open session. In no event, however, will this committee take action on any agenda item in closed session, whether it be posted for open or closed session discussion.