



The Joint Subcommittee of the Resource Management Commission, the Water and Wastewater Commission and the Impact Fee Advisory Committee convened in a regular meeting on January 18, 2012 at Waller Creek Center, 624 East 10th Street, Room 104, in Austin, Texas.

Joint Subcommittee Members in Attendance:

**Water & Wastewater
Commission Members**

Sarah B. Faust
Mickey Fishbeck
Chien Lee, P.E.

**Resource Management
Commission Members**

Sean Kelly
Luke Metzger

**Impact Fee Advisory
Committee Members**

Kris Bailey
J.R. (Hank) Kidwell
Brian Rodgers

Staff in Attendance:

Greg Meszaros, Director, David Anders, Assistant Director, Brian Long, Michael Castillo, Robert Rowan, Ron Bedinghaus, Jason Hill, Ed Van Eeno, Daryl Slusher, and Felicia Cancino

Additional Attendees:

Red Oak Consultants: Rick Giardino & Jennifer Ivey

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Fishbeck called the meeting to order at 6:04pm.

B. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

None

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from the January 4, 2012 Joint Committee Austin Water Financial Plan's regular meeting were approved on Commissioner Kidwell's motion to include all individuals in attendance to the meeting minutes that participated in providing feedback or information to the Committee, Commissioner Faust's amendment to include Questions and Answers to the General Discussion item and Commissioner Rodger's second. Commissioner Kelly recused himself due to his absence of the Jan. 4th meeting. Commissioners in favor of the motion were Kidwell, Faust, Rodgers, Lee, Fishbeck, Bailey and Metzger.

D. DISCUSSION ITEMS FOR SUBCOMMITTEE'S REVIEW:

David Anders provided a brief synopsis on the discussion items and asked the Commissioners to add these items to their binders at their convenience. The items were reviewed and discussed by Commissioners and staff. Greg Meszaros, David Anders, Rick Giardino and Jennifer Ivey addressed the Commissioners questions and concerns.

1. Approach Strategy

Chair Fishbeck provided a brief synopsis on the new procedures for the upcoming meetings informing the Committee that staff has indicated that they will provide the handouts/documents to the Committee as soon as possible to allow the members time to review the material prior to each meeting. She stated that staff would also keep a list of "Parking Lot" items during the current meeting that they would bring back to discuss further at another time. Doing this would save time and allow items on the current agenda to be discussed as needed. Chair Fishbeck also informed that the members that the General Discussion on Questions and Answers would be listed on Item G; however, Commissioner Bailey motioned that the General Discussion on Questions and Answers be listed as one of the first items on Item D with Commissioner Faust seconding the motion. Item passed unanimously. Chair Fishbeck mentioned that she will be taking "straw polls" on specific topics to give staff an idea on which direction the Committee would recommend.

2. Previous Meeting General Discussion – 3 minutes

None

3. Fixed Charges

4. Fixed Revenue Goals

E. REPORTS BY COMMITTEE

F. VOTING ITEMS FROM COMMITTEE

1. Possible Working Group Creation

Commissioners decided not to form a Working Group

G. NON VOTING DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. General Discussion on Questions and Answers

No items were discussed on the Questions and Answers; however, Commissioner Rodgers presented some ideas to the Committee regarding the tiered rate structure.

H. STAFF BRIEFINGS, PRESENTATIONS, AND OR REPORTS

I. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Chair Fishbeck informed the Committee that she would like to invite a rate consultant, Karyn Keese with Atkins from San Diego, CA as a guest speaker at their next Joint Committee regular meeting on February 1, 2012 and asked if for two members to sponsor the request. Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Bailey's motion to add Karyn Keese to the next agenda and Commissioner Metzger's second. In addition, Chair Fishbeck requested that the topics Fixed Charges, Fixed Revenue Goals and Volumetric Rates be listed on the agenda to discuss at their next regular meeting. Commissioner Metzger co-sponsored her request.

J. ADJOURN

Chair Fishbeck adjourned the meeting at 9:15pm without objection.