

**NOTICE OF MEETING  
GUADALUPE-BLANCO RIVER AUTHORITY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

In accordance with the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (GBRA), whose principal office is in the City of Seguin, Guadalupe County, Texas, hereby gives notice of a meeting of its **BOARD OF DIRECTORS** to be held at the **Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority William E. West, Jr., Annex Building, 905 Nolan, Seguin, Guadalupe County, Texas, at 10:00 a.m., on Wednesday, December 13, 2017.**

Subjects to be considered for discussion at such meeting include:

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair's consideration of posted notices. Pledge of Allegiance. Welcome guests.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

1. Comments from the public. **NOTE:** This portion of the meeting is intended for comments on non-agenda related topics. Please limit comments to **3 MINUTES**. To address the Board please sign and completely fill out the Attendance Sheet maintained at the entrance to the building where meeting is being held. **NO ACTION MAY BE TAKEN BY THE BOARD DURING PUBLIC COMMENTS.**

**CONSENT ITEMS**

2. Consideration of and possible action approving the minutes of the November 15, 2017, Board meeting.
3. Consideration of and possible action approving the monthly financial report for November 2017.
4. Consideration of and possible action approving the monthly operations report for November 2017.
5. Consideration of and possible action approving Directors' expense vouchers.

**GENERAL MANAGER/CEO ITEMS**

6. The General Manager/CEO and staff may report on, and the Board may discuss, executive reports and/or issues relating to GBRA activities including without limitation, the following: utility operations, GBRA Lab, water quality, safety, water resources planning and operation, construction management, economic and community development, project development, resource protection, weather and climate, river flows and other scientific issues, education programs, social media and community relations, media and public affairs, Board relations and events, publications, policy and stewardship, endangered species issues, information technology, human resources, accounting, finance, records management, grants and financial assistance.

**ACTION ITEMS**

7. Consideration of and possible action approving the Fiscal Year 2017 Annual Financial Audit and distribution of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.
8. Consideration of and possible action approving the January 1, 2017, Actuarial Valuation for the Retirement Plan for Employees of the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority and the recommended plan contribution included therein.
9. Consideration of and possible action authorizing the General Manager/CEO to negotiate and execute an Agreement with Finley and Cook for Serenic Navigator Software and Implementation.
10. Consideration of and possible action authorizing the General Manager/CEO to negotiate and execute a Contract with New Braunfels Utilities (NBU) to provide wholesale sewage treatment services for certain portions of GBRA's service area near the NBU McKenzie Wastewater Treatment Plant.
11. Consideration of and possible action authorizing the General Manager/CEO to negotiate and execute a Letter of Engagement with a law firm relating to the case of *NBL-300 v. GBRA*.
12. Consideration of and possible action authorizing the General Manager/CEO to negotiate and execute a Contract to purchase land for GBRA expansion in Comal County, Texas.

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

13. Quarterly status report on the Guadalupe-Blanco River Trust, the San Antonio Bay Foundation, and the Gorge Preservation Society.
14. Discussion regarding Base Flow Report, Water Quality Index, long term weather pattern, and condition of the Guadalupe Basin.

## **ITEMS FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION**

15. The Board may meet in Executive Session as authorized by the listed sections of Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, to discuss the following matters:
  - a. advice from legal counsel about pending or contemplated litigation, proposed settlements, and the impact of pending or contemplated litigation on GBRA projects and proposed projects. This includes without limitation, the following matters: *LULAC v. Edwards Aquifer Authority* (United States District Court for the Western District of Texas, San Antonio Division); *NBL-300 Group v GBRA*, (4<sup>th</sup> Court of Appeals, San Antonio) Application to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality by GBRA for GBRA's Mid-Basin surface water permit (State Office of Administrative Hearings); Applications to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality for bed and banks permits in the San Antonio and Guadalupe River Basins, including applications filed by New Braunfels Utilities and San Antonio Water Systems; GBRA application to amend Certificate of Adjudication No. 18-3863; Other contested applications to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality by GBRA for water rights or amendments to water rights; Section 551.071, Texas Government Code;
  - b. briefing and advice from legal counsel relating to ongoing negotiations, potential liabilities and other matters covered by legal counsel's duty of confidentiality, including without limitation, legal and regulatory issues to GBRA groundwater leases and permits in Caldwell and Gonzales Counties and legal and regulatory issues relating to GBRA surface and groundwater rights and permits throughout the Guadalupe River Basin; Section 551.071, Texas Government Code;
  - c. deliberation on matters relating to the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property interests and advice from legal counsel on those matters, including without limitation issues relating to acquisition of additional office space for GBRA in Comal County, issues relating to the acquisition, lease or ownership of groundwater and surface water rights in the Guadalupe River Basin and/or within the boundaries of GBRA; Sections 551.071 and 551.072, Texas Government Code;
  - d. advice from legal counsel on matters relating to safety regulations, and construction regulations associated with GBRA-owned or operated reservoirs; Section 551.071 and 551.072, Texas Government Code;
  - e. advice from legal counsel on matters relating to the solicitation, receipt, opening, and/or evaluation of requests for proposals, requests for qualifications, and bids, and relating to the actions taken or supposed to be taken by GBRA on such bids; and possible settlement of all such matters; Section 551.071, Texas Government Code;
  - f. commercial or financial information, including without limitation GBRA's Lower Basin Project, GBRA's Carrizo Groundwater Project; Section 551.087, Texas Government Code;
  - g. appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee or hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee; Section 551.074, Texas Government Code.

The Board may take final action on any of the above mentioned matters while convened in open session pursuant to Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

## **ADJOURN**