



**Joint Committee on Austin Water Utility's Financial Plan  
April 18, 2012  
Waller Creek Center, Room 104  
625 East 10<sup>th</sup> Street  
Austin, Texas**

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**AGENDA**

**Water & Wastewater  
Commission Members**

Sarah B. Faust (arrived at 6:40pm)  
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, Daryl Slusher, Robert Rowan, Michael Castillo, Jason Hill, and Felicia Cancino

**Additional Attendees:**

Citizens: Rae Nadler-Olenick, Marissa Stewart

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**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Fishbeck called the meeting to order at 6:03pm.

**B. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION**

Rae Nadler-Olenick and Marissa Stewart spoke against the addition of Fluoride in the City's Water supply.

**C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes from the April 4, 2012 Joint Committee meeting were approved on Commissioner Lee's motion and Commissioner Kidwell's second. Commissioner's consenting were Fishbeck, Lee, Kelly, Bailey, Kidwell and Rodgers. Commissioner Metzger abstained due to his absence at the April 4, 2012 meeting and Commissioner Faust was not present to vote on this item.

#### **D. DISCUSSION ITEMS FOR COMMITTEE'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 and David Anders addressed the Commissioners questions and concerns.**

1. Questions & Comments from previous meetings (3 minutes)  
**Commissioner Bailey reminded the Commissioners that he has mentioned in previous meetings that he would like fluoride removed from the City's water supply and stated that he has been speaking to groups and friends related to this topic. Commissioner Kidwell suggested that this might entail a yearlong study and would require too much attention during these last few Joint Committee meetings. Commissioner Rodgers stated that he agreed with Commissioner Bailey stating that one of the Joint Committee's charges is to discuss financial policies with regard to capital projects. David Anders informed the members that the City's Budget Process requested that all City Departments provide a budget update to their Commission mid-May and he anticipates providing this same presentation to update the Joint Committee.**
2. Discussion on Questions and Answers  
**None**
3. Volumetric Rates  
**Commissioner's adopted Option 27 as a base option, unanimously on Commissioner Metzger's motion and Commissioner Kidwell's second.**
4. Revenue Stability Fund
5. Financial Metrics
6. Settle Up/Decoupling

#### **E. REPORTS BY COMMITTEE**

1. Joint Committee Report (draft)  
**Members did not discuss.**

#### **F. VOTING ITEMS FROM COMMITTEE**

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**G. NON VOTING DISCUSSION ITEMS**

1. General Discussion on Committee Topics

**None; Chair Fishbeck mentioned to committee that this item will no longer be on the agenda's due to AWU Legal Dept suggestion to remove the item because it did not provide a specific topic.**

**H. STAFF BRIEFINGS, PRESENTATIONS, AND OR REPORTS**

**I. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**Chair Fishbeck suggested that the topics Revenue Stability Fund, Volumetric Rates, Financial Metrics and Drought Emergency Rates be listed on the agenda to discuss at their next regular meeting. The items were approved unanimously on Commissioner Rodgers' motion and Commissioner Metzger's second.**

**J. ADJOURN**

**Chair Fishbeck adjourned the meeting at 9:05pm without objection.**