



**Joint Committee on Austin Water Utility's Financial Plan  
May 17, 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  
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, Ed Van Eenoo and Felicia Cancino

### **Additional Attendees:**

Citizens: None

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### **A. CALL TO ORDER**

**Chair Fishbeck called the meeting to order at 6:07pm.**

### **B. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION**

None

### **C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes from the May 2, 2012 Joint Committee meeting were approved on Commissioner Metzger's motion and Commissioner Lee's second. Commissioner's consenting were Fishbeck, Lee, Kelly, Kidwell and Rodgers. Commissioner's Bailey and Faust abstained due to their absence at the meeting. Additionally, Chair Fishbeck wanted to clarify that she, along with other members met with both Council Member Laura Morrison and Council Member Chris Riley.

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**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. David Anders addressed the Commissioners questions and concerns.**

1. Questions & Comments from previous meetings (3 minutes)

**None**

2. Discussion on Questions and Answers

**There was discussion on Questions 210 & 211**

3. Revenue Stability Fund

**Commissioner Kidwell withdrew his motion that was tabled from the May 2, 2012 Joint Committee meeting.**

Straw Poll Item D3 (Part 2 of 4): Commissioner Metzger motioned that the timeline to achieve the 120 day goal be set up for 5 years with Commissioner Kelly's second. Commissioner's consenting were Metzger, Fishbeck, Faust, Kidwell, Rodgers, Kelly and Lee. Commissioner Bailey opposed.

Straw Poll Item D3 Part 2 of 4: Commissioner Kelly motioned that the initial recommendation will be that they will attempt on a 5 year plan to fund the reserve fund and every time that dollars are removed from the reserve fund that a 5 year goal for reset and replenishment is instituted as policy by the Austin Water Utility and seconded by Commissioner Kidwell. Motion passed unanimously.

Straw Poll Item D3 (Part 3 of 4): Commissioner Rodgers' motioned that the number one mechanism be the volumetric surcharge for all classes with Commissioner Kelly's second. Commissioner's consenting were Metzger, Fishbeck, Faust, Kidwell, Rodgers, Kelly and Lee. Commissioner Bailey opposed.

4. Financial Metrics

5. Drought Emergency Rates

**E. REPORTS BY COMMITTEE**

1. Joint Committee Report (draft)

**Committee members discussed the Joint Committee report.**

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**F. VOTING ITEMS FROM COMMITTEE**

**G. NON VOTING DISCUSSION ITEMS**

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

**I. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**Commissioner Metzger motioned that a voting item be added to the next agenda that includes a recommendation for Council, a discussion and a possible voting item on Financial Metrics with Commissioner Lee's second. Chair Fishbeck motioned to add Volumetric Rates as an item to the agenda with Commissioner Metzger's second. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Chair Fishbeck asked that the members submit any bullet point items they wish to discuss at the next meeting be sent to Felicia Cancino, Liaison along with a co-sponsor by Wednesday, May 23, 2012.**

**J. ADJOURN**

**Chair Fishbeck adjourned the meeting at 9:07pm without objection.**