



City of Spring Branch

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**Minutes of City Commission Meeting
City of Spring Branch, Texas
March 8, 2022**

Meeting held at Fire Station #6, 9850 FM 311, Spring Branch

- 1) Call to order at 6:30 PM. Present were Mayor Mayer, Commissioner Dobbins, and City Clerk. Absent was Commissioner Hockman.**
 - a) Pledge of Allegiance**
- 2) Commissioner Dobbins moved to waive reading of Minutes of February 8, 2022 regular meeting aloud and that the minutes be accepted; motion second by Mayor Mayer.**
- 3) The financial report for the month ending February 28, 2022, will be provided at a separate meeting to be scheduled for the week of March 21rst. Notice will be given when the date is determined.**
- 4) There were no public comments presented until following item 5 below:**
- 5) SJWTX, Inc. dba CLWSC representatives were present to discuss the WasteWater Treatment Plant (“WWTP”) proposed at the Simmons Valley subdivision to be developed on the west side of US Hwy 281 near the northern boundary of the City of Spring Branch limits, as follows:**
 - a) Larry Jackson, Communications Manager for CLWSC, presented an overview and brief history of CLWSC.**
 - b) Tom Hodge, President of CLWSC, reviewed the WWTP project proposed plans to serve approximately 700 homes, plus future nearby retail establishments.**

The plan is to construct the plant in three phases over time as the subdivision and retail area customers' buildings are built:

- i) Phase 1, in 2022, would be 60,000 Gallons per Day (GPD)**
- ii) Phase 2, in 2024, would bring the plant to 150,000 GPD capacity; and**
- iii) Phase 3, in 2026, would be to bring the plant to 260,000 GPD capacity.**

c) Ed Gelsone, with Integrated Water Services, the design-build contractor for the planned WWTP, had a presentation of the type of plant that is proposed. He explained the effluent quality rating issues imposed by TCEQ for the proposed type of plant. The plant will be a filter plant with UV disinfection. He showed slides of a plants already in the CLWSC system, located at Meyer Ranch and Vintage Oaks. He stated that the effluent quality standard this plant will be held to is the strictest in the state. At the completion of Phase 3, the plant is expected to discharge approximately 360 GPM.

d) Mr. Hodge noted the benefits & opportunities for reuse water (treated effluent) for irrigation at parks, sports complexes, and landscaping. Reuse water reduces the demand for drinking water to be used for irrigating landscaping, thereby reducing potential demand on the aquifer.

e) Brenden Gibbons, with the Greater Edwards Aquifer Alliance directed several questions to the CLWSC team:

- i) Nutrients in the discharged treated effluent,**
- ii) Certifications of operators who will be assigned to this plant,**
- iii) Onsite back-up power generation,**
- iv) Frequency of operators at this plant, and**
- v) Are the wells in the CLWSC system in the Trinity aquifer, or Edwards aquifer.**

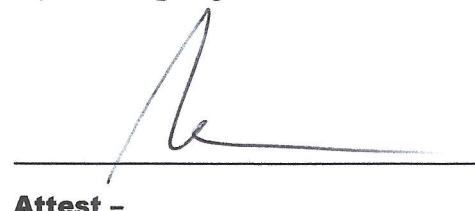
f) Larry Hull, a local Guadalupe River front land owner, spoke on behalf of other property owners present. He gave a brief history of a 1970's or 1980's problem created by a plant located at the City of Kerrville. Stringy algae grew in the river as a result of discharge or overflow from that plant.

g) Mr. Hodge outlined the Clean Water Act, and higher effluent quality standards for this plant, as well as differences between this plant and the types that were built prior to the current guidelines.

6) There being no further business or public comment, meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.



Approved – Commissioner



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