

# BRAZOS RIVER AUTHORITY QUARTERLY BOARD OF DIRECTORS ACTIONS October 26, 2020

The Brazos River Authority's Board of Directors held its quarterly meeting Monday, October 26, 2020. The Board took the following actions:

#### Amendments to the Personnel Policies

The Board of Directors approved the revisions to the Human Resources Policy Manual, as presented at its October 26, 2020 meeting, to be effective November 1, 2020.

### **Medical Insurance**

The Board of Directors authorized the General Manager/CEO to enter into all agreement(s) necessary to continue the relationship with Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Texas to provide the Brazos River Authority a fully-insured medical plan at the rates quoted for the 2021 plan year and within the financial parameters set-forth in the FY 2021 Budget.

### **Interruptible Water Available for 2021**

The Board of Directors approved a Safety Factor of 0.25 for use in determining the amounts of Interruptible Water to make available in calendar year 2021. The Board also authorized the General Manager/CEO to make up to 76,181 acre-feet of Interruptible Water available in calendar year 2021.

# Authorization of Professional Services Agreement for Sterling C. Robertson Dam Hydrostatic Relief System Assessment

The Board authorized the General Manager/CEO to negotiate and execute a contract with Stantec Consulting Services for engineering services associated with the assessment, subsequent design and bidding, and resulting construction activities, as required, to maintain and extend the service life of the Lake Limestone Sterling C. Robertson Dam hydrostatic pressure relief systems. The Board also approved that the fee for engineering services associated with the initial assessment (Phase I) shall not exceed \$860,000, and engineering fees for subsequent phases of the project, including design, bidding, and construction will be presented to the Brazos River Authority Board of Directors for future consideration.

# Possum Kingdom Lake Spillway Pump and Piping

The Board authorized the General Manager/CEO to negotiate and execute a contract with KCI Technologies, Inc. to provide engineering services for the Possum Kingdom Lake Spillway Pump and Piping Project in an amount not to exceed \$762,000. The Board also authorized the

General Manager/CEO to execute an Interlocal Agreement with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department to facilitate this project.

# **Lake Granbury Reinforced Concrete Components**

The Board authorized the General Manager/CEO to negotiate and execute a contract with Walter P. Moore to perform engineering services for the Reinforced Concrete Component Project at DeCordova Bend Dam in an amount not to exceed \$735,000.

# **Designation of Records Management Officer**

The Board authorized the designation of Susan Trammell as Records Management Officer for the Brazos River Authority. Notification of this designation will be communicated in writing to the State Library, in accordance with the applicable provision of Chapter 203, Local Government Code.

# Aqua Strategies Phase II Contract to Support the System Operation Permit

The Board authorized the General Manager/CEO to execute an amendment(s) authorizing Phase Two of the Aqua Strategies, Inc. contract for Support for Environmental Flow Initiatives Related to the System Operation Permit and Water Management Plan.

# Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Interlocal Agreement for Reservoir Fisheries Projects

The Board authorized the General Manager/CEO to execute an Interlocal Agreement with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department to perform fisheries habitat improvement on Brazos River Authority System reservoirs.

## **Administration and Audit Committee Selection of Investment Advisor**

The Board authorized the General Manager/CEO to negotiate and execute a contract for investment advisory services in the best interest of the Brazos River Authority with Valley View Consulting, LLC, for a two-year period with the option of two extensions for a total of six years. In the event staff is unable to successfully negotiate a contract with Valley View Consulting, LLC, the Board of Directors authorized staff to negotiate a contract with Patterson & Associates, LP. In the event staff is unable to successfully negotiate a contract with Patterson & Associates, LP, the Board of Directors authorized staff to negotiate a contract with Hilltop Securities Asset Management, LLC.

### **Electronic Solicitation Submissions**

The Board approved the acceptance of electronic submissions of solicitation submittals, pursuant to the authority granted by Chapter 49 of the Texas Government Code.

# **Contract Renewal with Depository Bank Wells Fargo**

The Board designated Wells Fargo Bank, NA as a depository for the Brazos River Authority and authorized the General Manager/CEO to renew the contract with Wells Fargo Bank, NA for banking services for a period of two years with options to extend for two additional two-year

terms, with the contract containing such terms and conditions as the General Manager/CEO shall determine to be in the best interest of the Brazos River Authority.

# Seal Analytical AQ2 Discrete Analyzer Trade-In

The Board authorized the General Manager/CEO to pursue a trade-in of the Seal Analytical AQ2 Discrete Analyzer under the terms and conditions that are in the best interest of the Brazos River Authority. The Board also authorized the General Manager/CEO, in certain instances, to continue to use and/or maintain previously approved trade-in property in a manner that is in the best interest of the Brazos River Authority until appropriate replacement property is received and placed in service.

# Purchase, Exchange, Lease, or Value of Real Property in Grimes County

The Board authorized the General Manager/CEO to negotiate and execute a non-binding letter of intent for the acquisition of real property in Grimes County. The Board also directed the General Manager/CEO to report back to the Board of Directors for approval prior to the execution of a purchase contract for such real property.