

NOTICE OF OPEN MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

OF THE

SOUTHWESTERN TRAVIS COUNTY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT Wednesday, April 8th, 2020 at 10:00 am

REMOTE ACCESS ONLY

In accordance with the order of the Office of the Governor issued March 16, 2020, the SWTCGCD Board of Directors will conduct our April Board Meeting as a remote access only meeting in order to advance the public health goal of limiting face-to-face meetings (also called "social distancing") to slow the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19). The telephone number to call into the meeting is 1-346-248-7799 (Toll Free) and the Meeting ID is 350 477 6786. Additional instructions are provided at the end of this Agenda.

Meeting Agenda

- 1. Call to order, declare meeting open to the public, take roll and declare quorum status.
- 2. Public comments.

This is an opportunity for citizens to address the Board regarding a matter that is not on the agenda. Comments on agenda items must be made when the agenda item is addressed by the Board. There is a three-minute time limit on individual citizen comments. Up to five minutes of speaking time may be given to a person speaking on behalf of a group of five or more citizens. Board members may not respond to questions asked during the Public Comment portion of the meeting.

- 3. Discuss and possibly act on approving the previous meeting minutes.
 - a. March 11th, 2020
- 4. General Manager's Report (GM Kodi Sawin)
- 5. Receive, discuss and take action as necessary for Board Committee Reports.
 - a. Finance (Director Urie)
 - b. Legislative (Director Davis)
 - c. Science-Outreach (Directors Hennings/Dower)
- 6. Discuss and possibly act on contracting for legal services. (Director Scadden)
- **7. Discuss and possibly act on items related to the new SWTCGCD office space.** (Director Scadden/GM Sawin)



- 8. Discuss and possibly act on items related to conducting virtual (remote) meetings, including but not limited to, any necessary equipment, software, or license purchases. (Director Scadden/ GM Sawin)
- **9. Discuss an update on the status of the draft Management Plan.** (Directors Davis and Scadden/Kirk Holland)
- **10. Discuss and possibly act on establishing a working committee for Rulemaking. (**Director Scadden/ Kirk Holland)
- 11. Discuss individual director actions related to compliance with the Texas Conflicts of Interest Disclosure Statement promulgated under Local Government Code, Section 176. (Director Scadden)
- 12. Discuss and possibly act on matters related to GMA 9 and initiating resolution of the GMA 9/10 boundary issue affecting SWTCGCD. (Director Scadden/Kirk Holland)
- 13. Discuss and possibly act on purchase/reimbursement of computer-related items for the SWTCGCD office. (Director Scadden)
- 14. Discuss and establish agenda items for the next Board meeting.
- **15.** Discuss and possibly act on setting the date, time, and location for the next Board meeting. The 2nd Wednesday date would be May 13th, 2020.

16. Adjourn.

The above agenda schedule represents an estimate of the order for the indicated items and is subject to change at any time.

At any time during the meeting and in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes, Annotated, the Southwestern Travis County Groundwater Conservation District Board may meet in executive session on any of the above agenda items or other lawful items for consultation concerning attorney-client matters (§551.071); deliberation regarding real property (§551.072); deliberation regarding prospective gift (§551.073); personnel matters (§551.074); and deliberation regarding security devices (§551.076). Any subject discussed in executive session may be subject to action as a posted agenda item during an open meeting.



GUIDELINES FOR PARTICIPATION IN SOUTHWESTERN TRAVIS COUNTY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT BOARD MEETING on April 8, 2020

Southwestern Travis County Groundwater Conservation District, in order to maintain governmental transparency and continued government operation while reducing face-to-face contact for government open meetings, is implementing measures according to guidelines set forth by the Office of the Texas Governor, Greg Abbott. In accordance with section 418.016 of the Texas Government Code, Governor Abbott has suspended various openmeetings provisions that require government officials and members of the public to be physically present at a specified meeting location. SWTCGCD's adherence to the Governor's guidance temporary suspension procedure provides public accessibility and opportunity to participate in our open meetings, workshops, and hearings.

Members of the public wishing to make comments during the meeting will be provided an opportunity to do so. The Board President will call on members of the public who wish to speak during the public comment period of the meeting or during the discussion of specific agenda items. Members of the public that wish to speak during the meeting are requested to notify Kodi Sawin (generalmanager@swtcgcd.org) by noon on Tuesday, April 7th to help facilitate the meeting logistics. This meeting will be recorded, and the audio recording will be available upon request to Ms. Sawin after the meeting.

You may join the SWTGCD Board meeting on April 8th as follows:

<u>Time:</u> Apr 8, 2020 09:50 AM Central Time (US and Canada) – this early access time is to provide meeting participants an opportunity to get logged in. The formal meeting will be called to order at 10:00 AM.

Call-In Details:

To join the meeting from your phone, dial the number below and follow the prompts:

Dial: 1-346-248-7799 (Toll Free)

Meeting ID: 350 477 6786 (you will be directed to add the # symbol after the meeting id)

(Note: You may be prompted to use a PIN in addition to the Meeting ID with the traditional call-in number. Please press # when instructed to bypass this prompt.)