

STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF FORT BEND §

**RESOLUTION BY
FORT BEND COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
SUPPORTING LEGISLATION THAT PROVIDES FORT BEND AND BRAZORIA COUNTIES WITH FULL
VOTING REPRESENTATION ON THE GULF COAST WATER AUTHORITY (GCWA) BOARD OF
DIRECTORS**

WHEREAS, The predecessor of the Gulf Coast Water Authority (GCWA) was created in 1965 at the request of the former Galveston County Water Authority; and

WHEREAS, correspondence from the General Manager of GCWA dated May 14, 1996 states that "After the Authority has contracted to sell at least 10 MGD of water to be used for potable water for customers in Fort Bend..., it is the intention of the Board to seek to have the Texas Legislature amend...Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes, in order to add two additional positions to the Board of Directors of the Authority to be filled by directors representing such counties so that they might participate in the policies and decisions of the Board"; and

WHEREAS, Fort Bend County customers, which include the City of Sugar Land, Missouri City, Fort Bend County WCID #2, and Pecan Grove Municipal Utility District account for nearly 23% of GCWA's total contracted water volume; and

WHEREAS, Brazoria County customers contract for 17% of the GCWA's total contracted water, and

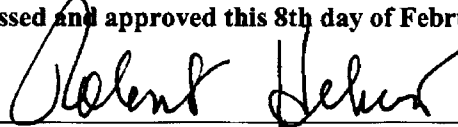
WHEREAS, the combined water contracts of Fort Bend and Brazoria counties comprise nearly 40% of the GCWA's total contracted water, thereby making the GCWA a multi-county, regional water agency; and

WHEREAS, neither Fort Bend County nor Brazoria County has voting representation on the board of directors of the GCWA; and

WHEREAS, the need for regional representation and coordinated and responsive regional water planning is critical to current and future success of the GCWA; now

THEREFORE be it resolved, that the Commissioners Court of Fort Bend County recommends and supports proposed legislation that would provide Fort Bend and Brazoria counties with full voting member representation on the Gulf Coast Water Authority Board of Directors.

Passed and approved this 8th day of February, 2011.



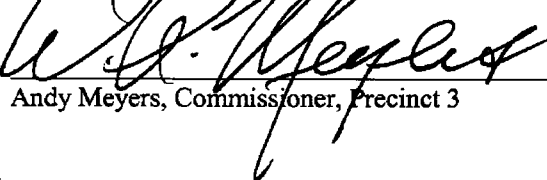
Robert E. Hebert, County Judge



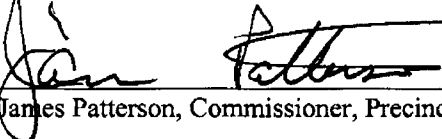
Richard Morrison, Commissioner, Precinct 1



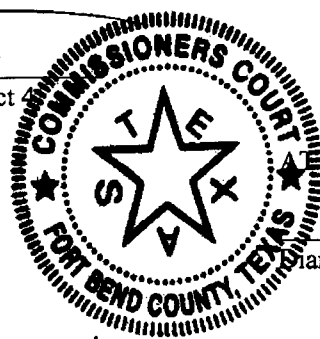
Grady Prestage, Commissioner, Precinct 2



Andy Meyers, Commissioner, Precinct 3



James Patterson, Commissioner, Precinct 3



(SEAL)

TEST: 

Shanne Wilson, County Clerk

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RESOLUTION NO. 10-44

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUGAR LAND, TEXAS, SEEKING LEGISLATION THAT PROVIDES FORT BEND COUNTY CUSTOMERS WITH FULL VOTING MEMBER REPRESENTATION ON THE GULF COAST WATER AUTHORITY (GCWA) BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

WHEREAS, the predecessor of the Gulf Coast Water Authority was created in 1965 when Fort Bend County had a population of less than 50,000 and is now home to over 550,000 residents; and

WHEREAS, Fort Bend County customers, which include the City of Missouri City, Fort Bend County WCID #2, Pecan Grove Municipal Utility District and the City of Sugar Land, account for nearly 23% of GCWA's total contracted water by volume; and

WHEREAS, the GCWA is now a multi-county, regional water agency; and

WHEREAS, the City is working diligently to meet the State's required mandate for surface water conversion where communication and responsiveness between all parties is paramount in meeting those obligations; and

WHEREAS, Fort Bend County customers have no voting representation, only one non-voting liaison, on the Board of Directors of GCWA; and

WHEREAS, a GCWA letter from the General Manager dated May 14, 1996 states that "After the Authority has contracted to sell at least 10 MGD of water to be used for potable water for customers in Fort Bend ..., it is the intention of the Board to seek to have the Texas Legislature amend ... Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes, in order to add two additional positions to the Board of Directors of the Authority to be filled by directors representing such counties so that they might participate fully in the policies and decisions of the Board"; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sugar Land has been a contractual customer of GCWA since 1997 with a current contract for 20 million gallons of water per day which is tied as the Authority's third largest customer by volume; and

WHEREAS, voting representation on the Board of Directors would help improve customer relations, enhance two-way communication and the ability of Fort Bend customers to place items of critical importance on GCWA's agenda without unwarranted delay; and

WHEREAS, voting membership on the GCWA Board of Directors by Fort Bend County would be fair, equitable and would parallel the principle of representative government as established by our founding fathers in the United States and Texas Constitutions; and

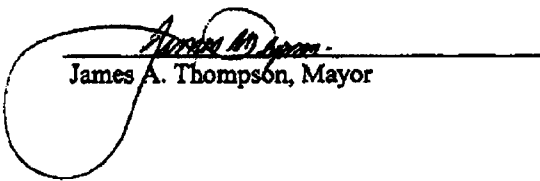
WHEREAS, the need for coordinated and responsive regional water planning is critical to current and future success of the multi-county area; and

WHEREAS, the Judges of Fort Bend and Galveston are supportive of the City's efforts to gain Fort Bend County representation on the GCWA Board of Directors; NOW THEREFORE;

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF SUGAR LAND:**

Section 1. That it recommends and supports seeking legislation that provides the City and other customers from non-represented counties with full voting member representation on the Gulf Coast Water Authority Board of Directors.

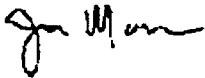
APPROVED on October 25, 2010.


James A. Thompson, Mayor

ATTEST:


Glenda Gundenmann, City Secretary

Reviewed for Legal Compliance:



RESOLUTION NO. R-10-27

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MISSOURI CITY, TEXAS, SEEKING LEGISLATION THAT PROVIDES FORT BEND COUNTY CUSTOMERS WITH FULL VOTING MEMBER REPRESENTATION ON THE GULF COAST WATER AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

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WHEREAS, the predecessor of the Gulf Coast Water Authority (GCWA) was created in 1965 when Fort Bend County had a population of less than 50,000; and

WHEREAS, the GCWA is now a multi-county, regional water agency; and

WHEREAS, Fort Bend County is now home to over 550,000 residents; and

WHEREAS, Fort Bend County customers, which include the City of Missouri City, Fort Bend County WCID #2, Pecan Grove Municipal Utility District and the City of Sugar Land, account for nearly 23% of GCWA's total contracted water by volume; and

WHEREAS, Fort Bend County customers have no voting representation, rather, they have only one non-voting liaison, on the Board of Directors of GCWA; and

WHEREAS, a GCWA letter from the General Manager dated May 14, 1996 states that "After the Authority has contracted to sell at least 10 MGD of water to be used for potable water for customers in Fort Bend..., it is the intention of the Board to seek to have the Texas Legislature amend ... Vernon's Texas Civil Statutes, in order to add two additional positions to the Board of Directors of the Authority to be filled by directors representing such counties so that they might participate fully in the policies and decisions of the Board"; and

WHEREAS, the City of Missouri City has been a contractual customer of GCWA since 1997 with a current contract providing for 15 million gallons of uninterrupted water per day; and

WHEREAS, the City is working diligently to meet the State's required mandate for surface water conversion where communication and responsiveness between all parties is paramount in meeting those obligations; and



WHEREAS, voting representation on the Board of Directors would help improve customer relations, enhance two-way communication and the ability of Fort Bend customers to place items of critical importance on GCWA's agenda without unwarranted delay; and

WHEREAS, voting membership on the GCWA Board of Directors by Fort Bend County would be fair, equitable and would parallel the principle of representative government as established by our founding fathers in the United States and Texas Constitutions; and

WHEREAS, the need for coordinated and responsive regional water planning is critical to current and future success of the multi-county area; and

WHEREAS, the Judges of Fort Bend and Galveston counties are supportive of the City's efforts to gain Fort Bend County representation on the GCWA Board of Directors; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MISSOURI CITY, TEXAS:

Section 1. That the City Council of the City of Missouri City, Texas, recommends and supports seeking legislation that provides the City and other customers from non-represented counties with full voting member representation on the Gulf Coast Water Authority Board of Directors.


PASSED, APPROVED and RESOLVED this 1st day of November, 2010.



Allen Owen, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Patrice Fogarty, City Secretary
Caroline Kelley, City Attorney

RESOLUTION NO. R2010-159

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PEARLAND, TEXAS, SEEKING LEGISLATION THAT PROVIDES BRAZORIA COUNTY CUSTOMERS WITH FULL VOTING MEMBER REPRESENTATION ON THE GULF COAST WATER AUTHORITY (GCWA) BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

WHEREAS, the predecessor of the Gulf coast Water Authority was created in 1965 when Brazoria County had a population of less than 75,000 and is now home to over 300,000 residents; and

WHEREAS, the GCWA is now a multi-county, regional water agency; and

WHEREAS, Brazoria County includes numerous customers of the GCWA, including the City of Pearland; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Pearland is working diligently to meet the State's required mandate for surface water conversion where communication and responsiveness between all parties is paramount in meeting those obligations; and

WHEREAS, Brazoria County customers have no voting representation, only one non-voting liaison, on the Board of Directors of GCWA; and

WHEREAS, the City of Pearland has been a contractual customer of GCWA since 1998 with current contracts for 30 million gallons of water per day; and

WHEREAS, voting representation on the Board of Directors would help improve customer relations, enhance two-way communication and the ability of Brazoria County to place items of critical importance on GCWA's agenda without unwarranted delay; and

WHEREAS, voting membership on the GCWA Board of Directors by Brazoria County would be fair, equitable and would parallel the principle of representative government as established by our founding fathers in the United States and Texas Constitutions; and

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WHEREAS, the need for coordinated and responsive regional water planning is critical to current and future success of the multi-county area; and

WHEREAS, the Judges of Fort Bend and Galveston are supportive of the City's efforts to gain Brazoria County representation on the GCWA Board of Directors; now therefore;

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PEARLAND, TEXAS:

Section 1. That, the City Council recommends and supports seeking legislation that provides Brazoria County, the City of Pearland and other customers from non-represented counties with full voting member representation on the Gulf Coast Water Authority Board of Directors.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this the 10th day of January, A. D., 2011.



TOM REID
MAYOR

ATTEST:



YOUNG LORFING, TRMC
CITY SECRETARY



APPROVED AS TO FORM:



DARRIN M. COKER
CITY ATTORNEY