

**Meeting Minutes**  
**Region 6 San Jacinto Regional Flood Planning Group**  
November 14, 2024, at 9:00 AM  
Hybrid Meeting  
East Aldine District: 2909 East Aldine Amphitheater Drive

<u>Voting Member</u>	<u>Interest Category</u> (Executive Committee role)	<u>Present (x) / Absent ( ) /</u> <u>Alternate Present (*)</u>
Timothy E. Buscha	Industries (Chair)	X
Alia Vinson	Water Districts (Vice Chair)	X
Erwin Burden	Counties (Secretary)	
Augustus Campbell	Public #1 (At-Large member)	X
Matthew Barrett	River Authorities (At-Large member)	X
Elisa Macia Donovan	Agricultural Interests	X
Connie Pothier	Small Business	X
Paul E. Lock	Electric Generating Utilities	
Hanadi Rifai	Environmental Interests	X
Vacant	Municipalities	
Tina Petersen	Flood Districts	X
Todd Burrer	Water Utilities	X
Brian Maxwell	Coastal Communities	Bob Kosar*
Christina Quintero	Public #2	
Imelda Diaz	Upper Watershed	X

<u>Non-voting Member</u>	<u>Agency</u>	<u>Present(x)/Absent ( ) /</u> <u>Alternate Present (*)</u>
Hope Zubek	Texas Parks and Wildlife Department	
Michelle Ellis	Texas Division of Emergency Management	
Kristin Lambrecht	Texas Department of Agriculture	
Joel Clark	Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board	
Santiago Franco	Texas General Land Office	
Cynthia Nolasco	Texas Water Development Board	Nicholas Collins*
Melinda Johnston	Texas Commission on Environmental Quality	
Justin Bower	Houston-Galveston Area Council	
Ellie Alkhoury	Texas Department of Transportation	
Tom Heidt	Port Houston	

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Michael Turco	Harris-Galveston Subsidence District	
Brandon Wade	Region H Regional Water Planning Group	
Sally Bakko	Gulf Coast Protection District	x
Lisa Mairs	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers	

<u>Liaisons from RFPG</u>	<u>Regional Flood Planning Group</u>	<u>Present(x)/Absent ( )/ Alternate Present (*)</u>
Todd Burrer	Trinity Region RFPG	
Liv Haselbach	Neches Region RFPG	
Mark Vogler	Lower Brazos RFPG	x

<u>Liaisons from Other Entities</u>	<u>Entity</u>	<u>Present(x)/Absent ( )/ Alternate Present (*)</u>
Brandon Wade	Region H Regional Water Planning Group	
Cory Stull	FNI	x
Maggie Puckett	FNI	x

<u>Project Sponsor</u>	<u>Entity</u>	<u>Present(x)/Absent ( )/ Alternate Present (*)</u>
Lea Sanford	Office of the County Engineer	x
Mike Garcia	Office of the County Engineer	x
Jonathan Spellman	Office of the County Engineer	x
Timothy Williams	Office of the County Engineer	x

**Quorum:**

Number of voting members or alternates that were present: (11 ) total, (8 ) at time of quorum

Number required for quorum per current voting membership of 15: 8

**Attendees\*\*: Remote:**

*\*\*Meeting attendee names were gathered from the WebEx meeting platform.*

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**Meeting Date: October 10, 2024**

**Start Time: 9:00 AM**

**AGENDA ITEM 1: Call to Order**

- **Discussion/Action Items:**
  - The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM.

**AGENDA ITEM 2: Welcome and Roll Call**

- **Discussion/Action Items:**
  - Roll call was conducted (see attendee list).
  - A quorum was established.

**AGENDA ITEM 3: Public Comments on Agenda Items**

- **Discussion/Action Items:**
  - No public comments were submitted.

**AGENDA ITEM 4: Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) Update**

- **Discussion/Action Items:**
  - No new updates

**AGENDA ITEM 5: Approval of Meeting Minutes**

- **Discussion/Action Items:**
  - Meeting Minutes was approved - upon edits being complete
    - Add an "A" to Alia
    - Add \* behind Bob Kosar name

**AGENDA ITEM 6: Liaison Reports on Regional Progress and Related Entities**

- **Discussion/Action Items:**
  - **Trinity Region:** Absent
  - **Neches Region:** Absent
  - **Lower Brazos Region:** Mark Vogler - no comments made
  - **Region H Water:** Absent
  - **Gulf Coast Protection District (GCPD):** Absent

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**AGENDA ITEM 7: Update by the Project Sponsor regarding the status of the Contract Approval for the Technical Consultant for the 2028 Regional Flood Planning Cycle.**

- **Discussion/Action Items:**

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- The contract with the technical consultant (FNI) was approved by the Commissioner's Court on November 12, 2024.
  - It is currently in circulation for signatures.

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**AGENDA ITEM 8: Discussion about future amendments to the regional flood plan to add a new FMX or modify an existing FMX.**

- **Discussion/Action Items:**

- Follow up on previous action items regarding the approval of the flood plan.
  - This includes the potential expansion to add new FMXs or enhancements to existing FMXs.
  - An eBlast was sent to the SJRFPG contact database
- Presented amendments and flyer at the HGAC RFMC meeting on October 23, 2024.
  - Flyers were circulated to the HGAC RFMC database following the meeting.

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**AGENDA ITEM 9: Discussion and consideration of action for creation of a new voting member position on the Regional Flood Planning Group Board for Small Municipalities.**

- **Discussion/Action Items:**

- A motion was passed to create a new voting-member position - Small Municipalities
  - **1st Motion:** Alia Vinson
  - **2nd Motion:** Augustus Campell
  - **Vote:** Yea: 11    Nay: 0
- Population was discussion was based on the preferences on establishing “what is a small city” of the SJRPG.
- A motion was passed to set the city population for the Small Municipalities set at 50,000 or less
  - **1st Motion:** Bob Kosar
  - **2nd Motion:** Imelda Diaz
  - **Vote:** No Vote

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- A motion was passed to amend the previous action to set the City population threshold at 60,000 or less and require an endorsement from the city as a delegate.
  - **1st Motion:** Bob Kosar
  - **2nd Motion:** Imelda Diaz
  - **Vote:** Yea: 10    Nay: 1

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**AGENDA ITEM 10: Consideration of Executive Committee's Recommendation for the Vacant Municipalities Board Position**

- **Discussion/Action Items:**
  - To re-issue the announcement of the open voting board position
    - Municipalities
    - Small Municipalities
    - Previous candidates do not have to re-submit application
  - A motion to reissue the solicitation of open voting member positions
    - **1st Motion:** Tina Petersen
    - **2nd Motion:** Bob Kosar
    - **Vote:** Yea: 11    Nay: 0
  - SJRFPG sponsors will reissue the notice once the wording has been approved by the executive committee

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**AGENDA ITEM 11: Discussion of the need to reestablish the SJRFPG working subcommittees**

- **Discussion/Action Items:**
  - SJRFPG subcommittees
    - Technical
      - Will be valuable to technical consultant - FNI team
    - Public
      - Will aid in community and public outreach

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- Will be established in year 2025
- Chair of subcommittees will:
  - Setup remaining officers of subcommittee
  - Host public meeting
  - Process will be identical to normal SJRFPG planning meeting

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**AGENDA ITEM 12: Discussion and possible action for the nominations for Chairs of the SJRFPG working subcommittees.**

- **Discussion/Action Items:**
  - Seek nominations for the Technical and Public Subcommittee Chair positions.
  - SJRFPG members interested in serving are encouraged to express their interest to the Executive Members, the subcommittee chair, and the SJRFPG Sponsor.

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**AGENDA ITEM 13: Presentation of 2024 Planning Group Key Dates and Deadlines:**

- a. **Upcoming Planning Schedule Milestones**
- b. **Next SJRFPG Planning Meeting to be held January 9, 2024**

**AGENDA ITEM 14: Consider Agenda Items for Next Meeting**

- Welcome new voting members
- Voting of Subcommittee chair

**AGENDA ITEM 15: Public Comments – Limit 3 Minutes Per Person**

- **Discussion/Action Items:**
  - No public comments were made.

**AGENDA ITEM 16: Adjournment**

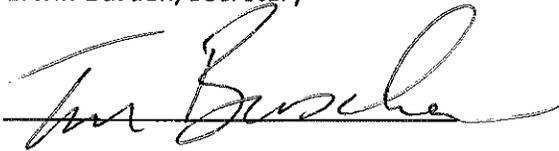
- **Discussion/Action Items:**
  - The meeting was adjourned 10:29 am

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**MEETING END TIME: 10:29 am**

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Erwin Burden, Secretary

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Tim Buscha', written over a horizontal line.

Tim Buscha, Chair