

CENTRAL HARRIS COUNTY REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY

Minutes of Meeting of Board of Directors July 1, 2026

The Board of Directors of Central Harris County Regional Water Authority met in regular session, open to the public on July 1, 2026, in accordance with the duly posted notice of meeting. The roll was called of the duly constituted members of said Board of Directors, as follows:

Margaret L. Cox, President
Julian F. Boddy, Vice President
David Granadino, Secretary
Judge Caston, III, Assistant Secretary
Ashley Thompson, Assistant Secretary

all of whom were present, thus constituting a quorum.

Also attending the meeting were: Marcel Khouw and John Hale of IDS Engineering Group, Inc. ("IDS"), engineer for the Authority; Tina Tran of Forvis Mazars, LLP ("Forvis"), bookkeeper for the Authority; Jared Martin of Municipal Operations and Consulting, Inc. ("MOC"), operator for the Authority; Collin Hedges of Quiddity Engineering, LLC, representing Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 200 ("No. 200"), Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 205 ("No. 205"), and Rankin Road West Municipal Utility District ("Rankin Road"); Roosevelt Johnson of Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 150 ("No. 150"); Kelvin Smith of Rankin Road; Marcus Jones and Bridget Smith of Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 399 ("No. 399"); Linda Watkins of Fallbrook Utility District ("Fallbrook"); and Abraham I. Rubinsky and Jessica Chen of Schwartz, Page & Harding, L.L.P. ("SPH"), attorneys for the Authority.

The President called the meeting to order and declared it open for such business as might regularly come before it.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Mr. Rubinsky noted that the first item on the agenda was to open the meeting for public comments. There being no comments from the public received, the Board continued to the next item of business.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board next considered approval of the minutes of its meeting held June 3, 2026. After discussion regarding the minutes, Director Granadino moved that the minutes of the meeting held June 3, 2026, be approved as presented. Director Boddy seconded said motion, which unanimously carried.

BOOKKEEPER'S REPORT

Ms. Tran presented the Bookkeeper's Report dated July 1, 2026, a copy of which is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, including Cash Flows for the Authority's various funds for the period commencing June 3, 2026, through July 1, 2026, the disbursements presented for payment from the Authority's accounts, a Summary of Investments, a Debt Service Schedule, a Budget Comparison for the month of May 2026 and the fifth month of the Authority's fiscal year ending December 31, 2026, and a Summary of Pumpage Fees and Surface Water Fees paid by Member Districts through May 31, 2026. After discussion, it was moved by Director Caston that the Bookkeeper's Report be approved and the disbursements listed therein be approved for payment from the Authority's various accounts. Director Granadino seconded said motion, which unanimously carried.

ADOPTION OF AMENDED ORDER ADOPTING A CODE OF ETHICS, FEES AND EXPENSE POLICY, POLICY RELATING TO CONSULTING SERVICES, UNIFORM FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING AND REPORT STANDARDS, POLICY RELATING TO ADOPTION OF ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET, AND CREATING AN AUDIT COMMITTEE

After a brief discussion, the Board concurred to defer taking any action at this time relative to the adoption of amended Order Adopting a Code of Ethics, Fees and Expense Policy, Policy Relating to Consulting Services, Uniform Financial Accounting and Report Standards, Policy Relating to Adoption of Annual Operating Budget, and Creating an Audit Committee, in connection with proposed revisions to the Authority's Fees and Expense Policy.

STATUS OF PREPARATION AND FILING OF ANNUAL CONTINUING DISCLOSURE REPORT

The Board next considered the status of the preparation and filing of the Authority's annual Continuing Disclosure Report. Mr. Rubinsky advised the Board that McCall, Parkhurst & Horton L.L.P., the Authority's Continuing Disclosure Counsel, filed said report with the appropriate repositories on behalf of the Authority on June 29, 2026.

FINANCIAL ADVISOR'S REPORT

The Board next considered the Financial Advisor's Report. Mr. Rubinsky advised the Board that there was nothing new to report regarding the resolution of the outstanding issues related to the City of Houston's ("COH") FY 2019, FY 2020, FY 2021, FY 2022, FY 2023, FY 2024, and FY 2025 True Up Reports relative to operation and maintenance costs of the Northeast Water Purification Plant ("NEWPP") for each of said fiscal years.

Mr. Khouw next reported that, as authorized by the Board at last month's meeting, IDS is working on an application to the Texas Water Development Board ("TWDB") for a Water Supply and Infrastructure Grant in an amount not to exceed \$10,000,000 for the costs of design and construction of the future surface water transmission line to serve Harris County Utility District No. 16 ("No. 16") and Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 215. After discussion on the

matter, Director Thompson moved that: (i) the Resolution Authorizing Application to the TWDB for Financial Assistance; Designating Authorized Representatives for Such Purposes; and Containing Other Provisions Relating to the Subject, attached hereto as **Exhibit B** be adopted by the Board, (ii) the officers of the Board be authorized to execute any and all documentation necessary to complete the application; and (iii) IDS, with the assistance of SPH and the Authority's Financial Advisor, John Howell of The GMS Group, L.L.C., be authorized to submit the formal application to the TWDB for such Water Supply and Infrastructure Grant by July 30, 2026. Director Boddy seconded said motion, which unanimously carried.

Mr. Rubinsky next advised the Board that notification was received from the COH regarding the COH's FY 2027 preliminary operation and maintenance water rates for the NEWPP (Original Plant) and the NEWPP Expansion of \$1.8258 and \$1.4915 per 1,000 gallons, respectively. Mr. Rubinsky reported that the proposed rate for the NEWPP Expansion represents a total decrease of approximately \$0.15 per 1,000 gallons, while the proposed rate for the NEWPP (Original Plant) represents an increase of approximately \$0.19 per 1,000 gallons. Mr. Rubinsky further advised that Mr. Howell and Mr. Khouw will begin to analyze what impact these proposed rates are going to have on the Authority's Operating Budget for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2027, and whether or not a rate adjustment will be necessary in connection with said budget.

Mr. Khouw next advised the Board that the NEWPP is currently offline, but that it may be back online before the end of July, and is expected to be operational during all of 2027. Mr. Khouw further advised the Board that the Authority will likely pay a blended operation and maintenance water rate based on the production of both facilities for the period July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027, but that further discussion with the COH and the other regional water authorities regarding said issue will be required.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Khouw next presented to and reviewed with the Board a written Engineer's Report dated July 1, 2026, a copy of which is attached hereto as **Exhibit C**, and updated the Board on the status of various matters of interest to the Authority.

Mr. Khouw reported to the Board regarding the ground water usage, surface water usage, and total water usage, as well as the status of compliance with the Harris-Galveston Subsidence District ("HGSD") permit requirements, as detailed in the Engineer's Report. He advised the Board that surface water usage through May 2026 was 1064.001 MG, which equaled 64.09% of total water usage in the Authority through such date, exceeding 60% groundwater reduction requirements of the HGSD that became effective during the recently ended permit period and earning the Authority additional over conversion credits. Mr. Khouw then advised the Board that an invoice was received from the HGSD in the amount of \$17,940 for the renewal of the Authority's HGSD Aggregate Water Well Permit for the period June 1, 2026 through May 31, 2027. Mr. Khouw further reported that notification was received from the HGSD that the Authority has earned 312 MG of over conversion credits ("OCC") for the permit year 2023 and 356.4 MG of OCC for the permit year 2024, and that the Authority is eligible to purchase an additional 35.64 MG of OCC for \$1,852.28 and 23.32 MG of OCC for \$1,212.64 for the respective permit years, which equates to a cost of \$0.052 per 1,000 gallons. In light of the fact that the

HGSD's current disincentive fee is \$12.52 per 1,000 gallons, the Board concurred that it made good economic sense to purchase the additional OCC offered by the HGSD. After discussion on the matter, it was moved by Director Granadino, seconded by Director Boddy and unanimously carried, that IDS be authorized to advise HGSD that the Authority would like to purchase the OCCs.

Mr. Khouw next addressed the Board concerning the addition of North Forest Municipal Utility District ("North Forest") to the Authority's Groundwater Reduction Plan ("GRP"). In that regard, Mr. Rubinsky advised the Board that the Petition for Annexation and GRP Participation Agreement between the Authority and North Forest approved by the Board at its meeting held May 6, 2026, subject to minimal final revisions, will become effective immediately upon execution of an agreement between North Forest and the COH terminating the City of Houston Water Supply and Groundwater Reduction Plan Wholesale Agreement for Area 3 of the Harris-Galveston Subsidence District between said parties (the "Effective Date"), and that North Forest will be added to the Authority's GRP upon the adoption of an Order Adding Property and Member District by the Board at its first meeting following the Effective Date. Mr. Rubinsky noted that North Forest and the COH are currently negotiating a Mutual Termination of North Forest's GRP Participation Agreement with the COH.

Mr. Khouw next addressed the Board regarding the various topics discussed and the updates provided by the COH at the Water Advisory Committee meeting held June 5, 2026. He also reported to the Board regarding a meeting held with representatives of the COH and the North Harris County Regional Water Authority ("NHCRWA") regarding the NHCRWA's request that the Authority purchase additional capacity from the NHCRWA in Phase II of the Northeast Transmission Line ("NETL") in order to accommodate the COH.

Mr. Khouw next advised the Board that IDS is coordinating with the COH regarding the COH's request to lease 46.88 MGD in the NEWPP Expansion from all four (4) regional water authorities, as discussed at last month's Board of Directors meeting.

Mr. Khouw next reported that IDS is continuing to coordinate with the NHCRWA regarding the Authority's participation in the NHCRWA's Hardy Road Line (Project 23) in order to serve No. 16 in the future. He noted that the NHCRWA will prepare a Second Amendment to the Amended and Restated Joint Facilities Agreement with the Authority to memorialize the Authority's participation in the Hardy Road Line.

Mr. Khouw next addressed the Board concerning the status of the NEWPP Expansion Project, as further detailed in the Engineer's Report. Mr. Khouw reported that, overall, the project is now approximately 99% complete. Mr. Khouw further reported that the contractor is working to address all outstanding issues and punch list items. Mr. Khouw advised the Board that the COH issued a Substantial Completion Certificate reflecting substantial completion of Phase 2 on May 4, 2026. He noted that the Houston Waterworks Team has been given 180 days to complete all remaining outstanding issues and punch list items. Mr. Khouw additionally reported to the Board regarding the COH's issuance of Consensus Vote 52 and Facilities Management Committee Consensus Vote 4, as further detailed in the Engineer's Report, which have been approved by all regional water authorities.

Mr. Khouw next reported to the Board concerning the status of construction of Phase I of the NETL. Mr. Khouw advised the Board that all of the thirteen (13) projects that make up Phase I of the NETL are complete, and that the COH is continuing to work on the project true up.

Mr. Khouw next advised the Board that the NHCRWA has completed the final accounting of costs for Phase II of the NETL, including Projects 25C, 25D and 25E, the segments of the NHCRWA's 84-inch transmission line in which the Authority is participating, and has issued an invoice to the Authority for its share of the project costs in the amount of \$4,699,113.51. Mr. Khouw further reported that IDS is reviewing the invoice and all supporting documentation provided by the NHCRWA, and expects to make a recommendation for payment of same at the Authority's August 2026 Board meeting.

Mr. Khouw next reported to the Board regarding the status of the construction of the Authority's 2025 Internal Distribution System, as further detailed in the Engineer's Report. Mr. Hale reviewed the detailed status report for the construction of Bid Package 1 of the 2025 Internal Distribution System (the "Project") attached to the Engineer's Report. He reported that V&S Construction has submitted Pay Application No. 13 in the amount of \$494,539.28 for work completed through June 20, 2026. Mr. Hale recommended that Pay Application No. 13 be approved by the Board. After discussion, it was moved by Director Boddy, seconded by Director Granadino and unanimously carried, that Pay Application No. 13 be approved by the Board, as recommended by the Authority's Engineer.

The Board next considered the status of the Consent to Encroachment and Indemnity Agreements between the Authority and (i) SREI IDV Veterans, LLC, and (ii) SREI IDV Veterans Bldg. 2 Owner, LLC (collectively, "IDV") in connection with IDV's construction of a private 8-inch storm sewer and catch basins within the Authority's Easement Parcel Nos. 5-22 and 5-23, as previously approved by the Board. Mr. Rubinsky advised the Board of the need for certain revisions to the exhibits to the Consent to Encroachment and Indemnity Agreements. He stated that the Agreements will be forwarded to IDV for review and execution once the exhibits have been revised.

Mr. Khouw next advised the Board that IDS advertised for bids for Bid Package 2 of the Project on June 19, 2026, and that bids are to be received on July 10, 2026, and presented for the Board's consideration at the August 2026 Board meeting.

DISCUSSION REGARDING SELECTION OF ELECTRIC SERVICE PROVIDER FOR BELTWAY 8 METER STATION

The Board deferred action regarding the selection of an electric service provider for the Beltway 8 Meter Station due to an issue with CenterPoint. He advised that IDS will continue to work on the selection of an electric service provider once the issue with CenterPoint has been resolved.

OPERATOR'S REPORT

Mr. Martin presented to and reviewed with the Board a written Operator's Report for the month of June 2026, a copy of which is attached hereto as **Exhibit D**. Mr. Martin next addressed the Board regarding the status of communications with No. 16 relative to the status of repayment in-kind of water previously imported into the Authority from Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 221. In that regard, he reported that that No. 16 began repaying No. 221 in-kind on March 11, 2026, in accordance with the requirements of the Authority's Rate Order, and that payment has now been completed. Mr. Rubinsky noted that he had been advised by the Operator for Harris County MUD No. 33 ("No. 33") that No. 33 had imported 1,000 gallons of water from Harris County Utility District No. 14 on June 16, 2026, but that given the negligible amount of water imported, repayment in-kind is not being considered. Mr. Martin advised the Board that he had no action items for the Board's consideration this month.

Mr. Martin, Mr. Khouw and Mr. Rubinsky next addressed the Board concerning a Notice of Violation received from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("TCEQ") dated June 18, 2026, a copy of which is attached hereto as **Exhibit E**, in connection with a Modified Comprehensive Compliance Investigation performed by the TCEQ on May 15, 2026. Mr. Rubinsky explained that No. 16 was inadvertently referred to as "Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 16" in the Authority's Emergency Preparedness Plan ("EPP"), and that the EPP also indicates that the Authority has an interconnect with No. 16 when in fact there is currently no interconnect between the Authority and No. 16. Mr. Martin advised the Board that the Authority's EPP has been revised to correct these inaccuracies and that evidence of same was provided to the TCEQ prior to the Compliance Due Date of July 16, 2026.

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS UPDATE

Mr. Rubinsky next presented to and reviewed with the Board a Government Affairs Update received from C.J. Tredway, dated July 1, 2026, a copy of which is attached hereto as **Exhibit F**. No action was taken by the Board in connection with said matters.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

The Board next considered the Attorney's Report. Mr. Rubinsky reported to the Board regarding a Texas Public Information Act request received during the past month from Brian Schneider requesting copies of current contracts pertaining to levy, ditch, and right of way maintenance associated with slope mowing, slope mulching, mowing, erosion control, levy reconstruction, ditch reconstruction, and silt removal. Mr. Rubinsky advised the Board that SPH has responded that the Authority has no information responsive to such request.

DISCUSSION REGARDING STATUS OF AUTHORITY WEBSITE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS WITH MEMBER DISTRICTS

Mr. Rubinsky noted that there was no new activity to report in connection with the Authority's website or other communications with Member Districts, but that a Quarterly Analytics Report had been provided by The Texas Network ("TTN") for the Board for the period April 1,

2026 through June 30, 2026, a copy of which is attached hereto as **Exhibit G**. Mr. Rubinsky additionally presented for the Board's review an initial Website Accessibility Audit Report prepared by TTN, a copy of which is attached hereto as **Exhibit H**. Mr. Rubinsky advised that TNN's Report indicates that no critical barriers were identified and that the other high and medium priority issues were site-wide in nature and could be addressed through a small number of targeted updates, shared template settings, color choice, and document publishing practices. No action was taken by the Board in connection with said matters at this time.

CLOSED SESSION

At 7:48 p.m., the Board President announced that the Board would meet in Closed Session to consult with the Authority's attorney pursuant to matters authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 (consultation with Attorney regarding pending or contemplated litigation or matters protected by attorney-client privilege). At this time, all those present, with the exception of the Board, Mr. Khouw, Mr. Hale, Mr. Rubinsky, and Ms. Chen exited the meeting.

At 7:53 p.m., the Board President announced that the Board would reconvene in Open Session. No action was taken by the Board as a result of the discussions conducted in Closed Session.

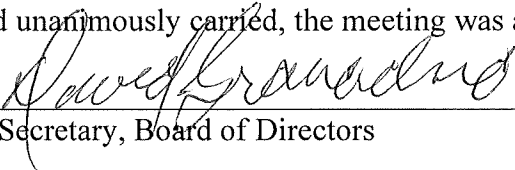
ITEMS TO BE PLACED ON NEXT AGENDA PERTINENT TO THE AUTHORITY

The Board considered items for placement on future agendas. Except as may be reflected above, there were no additional agenda items requested other than routine, ongoing matters.

Mr. Rubinsky noted that the next regular meeting of the Board is scheduled for Wednesday, August 5, 2026, at 6:00 p.m., at the offices of IDS.

ADJOURN MEETING

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion made by Director Thompson, seconded by Director Caston, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned.


Secretary, Board of Directors

LIST OF ATTACHMENTS TO MINUTES

<u>Exhibit A</u>	Bookkeeper's Report
<u>Exhibit B</u>	Resolution Authorizing Application to the TWDB for Financial Assistance; Designating Authorized Representatives for Such Purposes; and Containing Other Provisions Relating to the Subject
<u>Exhibit C</u>	Engineer's Report
<u>Exhibit D</u>	Operator's Report
<u>Exhibit E</u>	Notice of Violation received from the TCEQ dated June 18, 2026
<u>Exhibit F</u>	Government Affairs Update
<u>Exhibit G</u>	The Texas Network Analytics Report
<u>Exhibit H</u>	Website Accessibility Audit Report prepared by The Texas Network