

RESOLUTION NO. R- 2014 - 06

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF BASTROP, TEXAS, RELATED TO
AUTHORIZATION(S) CONCERNING FUTURE ACTIONS BY THE CITY RELATED TO THE
ACQUISITION OF ADDITIONAL GROUNDWATER TO MEET THE CITY'S LONG AND
SHORT TERM WATER SUPPLY NEEDS**

WHEREAS, the City of Bastrop, Texas, ("City"), a Home Rule municipality incorporated and operating under the Laws of the State of Texas and, accordingly has been granted full legal authority to take actions, as deemed necessary, in its reasonable judgment, to protect the public health, safety and welfare; and

WHEREAS, as a Home Rule municipality, the City for Bastrop acts to provide citizens, who are located within its certificated boundaries, with a reliable, safe potable water supply; and

WHEREAS; the City Council, the City Manager, its staff and consultants have worked over the past years to evaluate and project the City's future growth and, thus, to develop and prepare a plan to meet the future water supply requirements of the City and the surrounding jurisdictional areas; and

WHEREAS; over the past several years, the City Council, the City Manager, its staff and consultants have worked diligently to identify and evaluate various options for expanding the City's ground water supply to meet, both short and long term; and

WHEREAS, the City Council, City Manager, staff and consultants have successfully identified viable options for the procurement of future water supplies for the City, and

WHEREAS; the City Council has carefully evaluated the growth projections, the future water demand projections, the options and offers from providers related to additional water for the City, and the information developed by the City related to same, and thorough these efforts, is now able to move forward and authorize certain activities and actions related to the City's acquisition of additional ground water rights/supplies, to meet the City's future short and long term needs, as set forth herein below.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BASTROP, TEXAS:

1. The City Council hereby formally finds that the City's future water demands may best be met by authorizing the City Manager to take the following actions:

MOTION COUNCIL MEMBER JACKSON MADE A MOTION TO SELECT "OPTION 1" WITH THE ADDITION OF 3,000 ACRE-FEET OF WATER AND TO INCLUDE DRILLING OF WATER WELLS."

Council Member Jackson stated that he respects the City Manager and he concurs with his recommendation.

SECOND Council Member McAnally **SECONDED THE MOTION**, to include reviewing the MUD revision to XS Ranch and that the resolution reflects a range of 2,500 to 3,000 units at XS Ranch.

Mayor Orr requested a vote.

Council Member Jackson – Yay

Council Member McAnally – Yay

Council Member DeLaRosa – Yay

Mayor Pro-Tem Beal – Nay

Council Member Kesselus – Nay

MOTION PASSED – A majority vote of 3-2; Yay – Jackson, Garcia-McAnally, DeLaRosa
Nay – Beal & Kesselus

Materials referenced in the resolution that were reviewed by the Council are attached to the resolution.

2. Further, for clarification purposes only, the Council's reference to "Option 1," at the meeting and as noted herein, refers to the XS Ranch option, as set forth in the information presented to the Council and public, in the packet of materials dated April 8, 2014, and as per the Council's decision and counteroffer to XS Ranch's March 25, 2014 offer, for the sale of water rights to the City of Bastrop.
3. Accordingly, the City Council authorizes the City Manager to take all reasonable and necessary actions to implement the decision and direction of the Council, as noted herein.
4. The terms of this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon passage of this Resolution, subject to publication as required by State law, if any.

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED this the 8th day of April, 2014.

APPROVED: 

MAYOR TERRY ORR

ATTEST: 

ELIZABETH LOPEZ, CITY SECRETARY