

### PROJECT FUNDING REQUEST

BOARD DATE: April 10, 2025 Team Manager: Nancy Richards

### **ACTION REQUESTED**

Consider approving by resolution a request from the City of Corrigan (Polk County) for \$3,957,600 in financial assistance consisting of \$400,000 in financing and \$3,557,600 in grant funds from the Rural Water Assistance Fund for planning, acquisition, design, and construction of water system improvements.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION					
	☐ No Action				

### **BACKGROUND**

The City of Corrigan (City) is located 100 miles north of Houston. The City provides water and wastewater services to a population of approximately 1,852 residents and approximately 661 water and 565 wastewater connections.

### PROJECT NEED AND DESCRIPTION

The City of Corrigan's (City) water distribution system has frequent water leaks and resulting water loss due to aging and deteriorating infrastructure. The City also needs additional storage capacity. In addition, the City's existing wells do not meet the required water flow rate and demands.

The City proposes to install 650 water meters and construct a new water well. The City will also replace approximately 5,000 feet of waterlines, and increase the capacity of the existing pressure tank.

### **PROJECT SCHEDULE**

Task	Schedule Date
Closing	June 1, 2025
Engineering Feasibility Report Completion	April 1, 2026
(End of Planning Phase)	
Design Phase	October 1, 2026
Start of Construction	January 1, 2027
Construction Completion	January 1, 2029

### **KEY ISSUES**

The City qualifies for \$3,557,600 in grant funds as an applicant with a population between 1,001 and 10,000 for a water loss mitigation project.

COMMITMENT PERIOD: SIX (6) MONTHS TO EXPIRE OCTOBER 31, 2025

The City is above its threshold for real water loss. The proposed project includes replacement of approximately 5,000 linear feet of water lines that experience frequent water leaks and water loss due to aging and deteriorating infrastructure. The proposed project will help mitigate the City's real water loss.

The City has not completed its fiscal year 2024 financial audit. The commitment will be conditioned on the City submitting its financial audit prior to closing on funds.

### **LEGAL/SPECIAL CONDITIONS**

- Executed grant agreement
- Audited 2024 financial statements approved prior to closing
- Water rights certification

### Attachments:

- 1. Financial Review
- 2. Project Budget
- 3. Resolution (25-)
- 4. Water Conservation Review
- 5. Location Map

# Financial Review City of Corrigan

Risk Score: 2B Audit Reviewed: FY 2023

### **Key Indicators**

Indicator	Result	Benchmark
Population Growth, Average Annual 2010-2020	City: -0.77%	State: 1.49%
Top 10 Customers % of Total Revenue	37.19%	10-15%
Median Household Income as % of State	58%	100%
Days of Cash on Hand (3-year Average)	21 days	30-149 days
Net Fixed Assets/ Annual Depreciation	23 years	12-24 years
Debt Service Coverage Ratio	2.94x	1.1x
Debt-to-Operating Revenues	1.66	4.00-5.99x
Unemployment Rate (December 2024)	County: 4.80%	State: 3.70%
Working Capital Ratio	2.30	> 1.0
Cash Balance Ratio	-9.16%	0-9.99%

### **Key Risk Score Strengths**

- The City's tax and system revenue are more than sufficient to cover the existing and proposed debt, with the lowest debt service coverage being 2.76x in the first year of repayment.
- Debt-to-operating revenues are above the benchmark due to the City's low outstanding debt, which is paid for by both ad valorem tax and system revenue.

### **Key Risk Score Concerns**

- The City's top two customers make up 22.08 percent of total system revenues, and the top ten account for 37.19 percent. A stress test was performed removing the top two customer revenues, and no rate increase was projected.
- The City's proprietary fund currently has 21 days of cash on hand. Since 2021, the
  City's cash balance has increased significantly, from \$394 to \$151,598 in the most
  recent audited year. The low cash levels in prior years were primarily due to the
  City funding water and sewer system repairs and improvements directly with cash.
- The City's cash balance ratio is below the benchmark due to a shortfall in the general fund year over year for the last 5 fiscal years. Over the last 2 years, the City has been able to bolster its cash reserves due to transfers from the Water and Sewer Fund.
- Despite a 0.77 percent decline in population, system connections have remained stable, indicating an overall consistency in service demand.

### **PLEDGE**

Legal Pledge Name	Combination Tax and Surplus System Revenue	
Type of Pledge	☐ Tax ☐ Revenue ☒ Tax & Revenue ☐ Contract ☐ Other	
Revenue Pledge Level	☐ First ☐ Second ☒ Third ☐ N/A	

### **RATES AND CHARGES**

Average Residential Use	Gallons/Month	Current Rates	Projected Rates	Current Household Cost Factor	Projected Household Cost Factor	
Water	3,620	\$25.20	\$25.20	1.43	1.43	
Wastewater	3,620	\$25.20	\$25.20	1.40	1. <del>4</del> 5	

### **TAXES**

	2023 Tax Year Rate	Max Projected Tax Rate	Maximum Allowable Rate	3-Year Avg Current Tax Collections	Assessed Valuation
Maintenance & Operation	\$0.3888	\$0.3888			
Interest & Sinking	\$0.1242	\$0.1242	\$1.50	98%	\$115,238,881
Total Tax Rate	\$0.5130	\$0.5130			

<u>Cost Savings</u>
Based on a 20-year maturity schedule and current interest rates, the City could save approximately \$16,541 over the life of the financing. The City is also saving \$3,557,600 in grant funding.



### **Project Data Summary**

Responsible Authority	City of Corrigan
Program	RWAF
Commitment Number	L1002047, G1002046
Project Number	21862
List Year	2024
Type of Pledge	Combo Tax and Revenue
Pledge Level (if applicable)	Third Lien
Legal Description	\$400,000 City of Corrigan, TX, Combination Tax and Surplus System Revenue Certificate of Obligation, Series 2025; \$3,557,600 City of Corrigan Grant Agreement
Tax-exempt or Taxable	Tax-Exempt
Refinance	No
Outlay Requirement	Yes
Disbursement Method	Escrow
Outlay Type	Outlay = Escrow Release
Qualifies as Disadvantaged	Yes
Financial Managerial & Technical Complete	N/A
Phases Funded	Planning, Acquisition, Design, and Construction
Pre-Design	Yes
Project Consistent with State Water Plan	Yes
Water Conservation Plan	Adopted
Overall Risk Score	2B

PROJECT TEAM						
Team Manager	Financial Analyst	Engineering Reviewer	Environmental Reviewer	Attorney		
Nancy Richards	Raul Flores	Sophia Fousie	Britt Wilson	Breann Hunter		

## ISSUE BEING EVALUATED FOR ILLUSTRATION PURPOSES ONLY City of Corrigan

#### \$400,000 City of Corrigan, TX, Combination Tax and Surplus System Revenue Certificate of Obligation, Proposed Series 2025

Dated Date:	6/1/2025	Source:	RWAF
Delivery Date:	6/1/2025	Rate:	2.88%
First Interest:	8/15/2025	IUP Year:	2024
First Principal:	8/15/2026	Case:	Tax and Revenue
Last Principal:	8/15/2045	Admin.Fee:	\$0
Fiscal Year End:	09/30	Admin. Fee Payment Date:	N/A
Required Coverage:	1.1	Total Assessed Valuation:	\$115,238,881

	CURRENT	TAX REVENUES	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	CURRENT	\$400,000 ISSUE					
FISCAL YEAR	TAX RATE	WITH COLL. @ 98%	NET SYSTEM REVENUES	TOTAL REVENUES	DEBT SERVICE	PRINCIPAL PAYMENT	INTEREST RATE	INTEREST PAYMENT		TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	COVERAGE
2025	\$0.1242	\$140,264	\$608,223	\$748,487	\$267,544	\$0	-	\$2,225	\$2,225	\$269,769	2.77
2026	0.1242	140,264	608,223	748,487	233,661	10,000	2.12%	10,827	20,827	254,487	2.94
2027	0.1242	140,264	608,223	748,487	233,661	15,000	2.11%	10,615	25,615	259,275	2.89
2028	0.1242	140,264	608,223	748,487	225,908	15,000	2.15%	10,298	25,298	251,206	2.98
2029	0.1242	140,264	608,223	748,487	225,908	15,000	2.22%	9,976	24,976	250,883	2.98
2030	0.1242	140,264	608,223	748,487	178,821	20,000	2.27%	9,643	29,643	208,464	3.59
2031	0.1242	140,264	608,223	748,487	178,821	20,000	2.36%	9,189	29,189	208,010	3.60
2032	0.1242	140,264	608,223	748,487	178,821	20,000	2.40%	8,717	28,717	207,538	3.61
2033	0.1242	140,264	608,223	748,487	178,821	20,000	2.45%	8,237	28,237	207,058	3.61
2034	0.1242	140,264	608,223	748,487	122,699	20,000	2.51%	7,747	27,747	150,445	4.98
2035	0.1242	140,264	608,223	748,487	122,699	20,000	2.63%	7,245	27,245	149,943	4.99
2036	0.1242	140,264	608,223	748,487	122,699	20,000	2.72%	6,719	26,719	149,417	5.01
2037	0.1242	140,264	608,223	748,487	122,699	20,000	2.78%	6,175	26,175	148,873	5.03
2038	0.1242	140,264	608,223	748,487	122,699	20,000	2.84%	5,619	25,619	148,317	5.05
2039	0.1242	140,264	608,223	748,487	122,699	20,000	2.89%	5,051	25,051	147,749	5.07
2040	0.1242	140,264	608,223	748,487	122,699	20,000	2.95%	4,473	24,473	147,171	5.09
2041	0.1242	140,264	608,223	748,487	122,699	25,000	3.02%	3,883	28,883	151,581	4.94
2042	0.1242	140,264	608,223	748,487	122,699	25,000	3.07%	3,128	28,128	150,826	4.96
2043	0.1242	140,264	608,223	748,487	90,000	25,000	3.10%	2,360	27,360	117,360	6.38
2044	0.1242	140,264	608,223	748,487	90,000	25,000	3.15%	1,585	26,585	116,585	6.42
2045	0.1242	140,264	608,223	748,487	90,000	25,000	3.19%	798	25,798	115,798	6.46
					\$3,276,255	\$400,000		\$134,502	\$534,502	\$3,810,757	

AVERAGE (MATURITY) LIFE	11.69 YEARS
NET INTEREST RATE	2.876%
COST SAVINGS	\$ 16,025
AVERAGE ANNUAL REQUIREMENT	\$25,452

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Project Budget Summary
City of Corrigan
21862 - New Water Well, GST and Pump
Station, Line Work

Budget Items	TWDB Funds	Total
Construction		
Construction	\$2,800,000.00	\$2,800,000.00
Subtotal for Construction	\$2,800,000.00	\$2,800,000.00
Basic Engineering Services		
Construction Engineering	\$224,000.00	\$224,000.00
Design	\$252,000.00	\$252,000.00
Planning	\$201,600.00	\$201,600.00
Subtotal for Basic Engineering Services	\$677,600.00	\$677,600.00
Special Services		
Environmental	\$48,000.00	\$48,000.00
Inspection	\$72,000.00	\$72,000.00
Subtotal for Special Services	\$120,000.00	\$120,000.00
Fiscal Services		
Bond Counsel	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00
Financial Advisor	\$47,746.00	\$47,746.00
Issuance Costs	\$7,254.00	\$7,254.00
Subtotal for Fiscal Services	\$85,000.00	\$85,000.00
Other		
Land/Easements Acquisition	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
Subtotal for Other	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
Contingency		
Contingency	\$225,000.00	\$225,000.00
Subtotal for Contingency	\$225,000.00	\$225,000.00
Total	\$3,957,600.00	\$3,957,600.00

A RESOLUTION OF THE TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD
APPROVING AN APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
TO CITY OF CORRIGAN FROM THE RURAL WATER ASSISTANCE FUND
IN AN AMOUNT OF \$3,957,600 THROUGH THE PROPOSED PURCHASE OF \$400,000
CITY OF CORRIGAN, TEXAS COMBINATION TAX AND SURPLUS SYSTEM REVENUE
CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, PROPOSED SERIES 2025
AND

EXECUTION OF A GRANT AGREEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,557,600

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Recitals:

The City of Corrigan (City), located in Polk County, filed an application for financial assistance in the amount of \$3,957,600, to finance certain water system improvements, identified as Project No. 21862.

The City seeks financial assistance from the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) in the amount of \$3,957,600 through the TWDB's purchase of \$400,000 City of Corrigan, Texas Combination Tax and Surplus System Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Proposed Series 2025 (Obligations) and execution of a Grant Agreement in the amount of 3,557,600, all as is more specifically set forth in the application and in recommendations of the TWDB's staff.

The City has offered a pledge of ad valorem taxes and a lien on the surplus revenues of the City's waterworks and sewer systems as sufficient security for the repayment of the Obligations.

The commitment is approved for funding under the TWDB's pre-design funding option, and initial and future releases of funds are subject to 31 TAC § 363.16, 363.43 and 365.23.

The Board hereby authorizes the transfer of \$3,957,600 from the Texas Water Fund to the Rural Water Assistance Fund, as authorized by Texas Water Code § 15.504(a), to finance the Project.

In accordance with Texas Water Code § 15.995, the TWDB has considered all matters required by law and in particular the following:

- 1. The needs of the area to be served by the project, the benefit of the project to the area, the relationship of the project to the overall statewide water needs, and the relationship of the project to the approved regional and state water plans.
- 2. The availability of revenue to the City from all sources for the ultimate repayment of the cost of the project, including all interest.

### Findings:

- 1. The public interest is served by state assistance for the project, in accordance with Texas Water Code § 15.995(d).
- 2. The revenue or taxes pledged by the City will be sufficient to meet all the Obligations assumed by the City during the succeeding period of not more than 50 years in accordance with Texas Water Code § 15.995(d).
- 3. The City has adopted and implemented a water conservation program for the more efficient use of water that will meet reasonably anticipated local needs and conditions and that incorporates practices, techniques, or technology prescribed by the Texas Water Code and TWDB's rules.
- 4. The TWDB has approved a regional water plan for the region of the state that includes the area benefiting from the project and the needs to be addressed by the project will be addressed in a manner that is consistent with the approved regional and state water plans, as required by Texas Water Code § 16.053(j).
- 5. A current water audit required by Texas Water Code § 16.0121 and 31 TAC § 358.6 has been completed by the City and filed with the TWDB in accordance with Texas Water Code § 16.053(j).

NOW, THEREFORE, based on these findings, the TWDB resolves as follows:

A commitment is made by the TWDB to the City of Corrigan for financial assistance in the amount of \$3,957,600 from the Rural Water Assistance Fund through a transfer from the Texas Water Fund to be evidenced by the TWDB's purchase of \$400,000 City of Corrigan, Texas Combination Tax and Surplus System Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Proposed Series 2025 and the execution of a Grant Agreement in the amount of 3,557,600. This commitment will expire October 31, 2025.

The commitment is conditioned as follows:

### **Standard Conditions:**

- 1. The commitment is contingent on a future sale of bonds by the TWDB or on the availability of funds on hand.
- 2. The commitment is contingent upon the City's continued compliance with all applicable laws, rules, policies, and guidance (as these may be amended from time to time to adapt to a change in law, in circumstances, or any other legal requirement), including but not limited to 31 TAC Chapter 363 and 365.
- 3. The Obligations and Grant Agreement must contain a provision that the TWDB may exercise all remedies available to it in law or equity, and any provision of the Obligations and Grant Agreement that restricts or limits the TWDB's full exercise of these remedies shall be of no force and effect.

- 4. Loan proceeds and Grant funds are public funds and, as such, the Grant Agreement and Obligations must include a provision requiring that these proceeds shall be held at a designated state depository institution or other properly chartered and authorized institution in accordance with the Public Funds Investment Act, Government Code, Chapter 2256, and the Public Funds Collateral Act, Government Code, Chapter 2257.
- 5. Loan proceeds and Grant funds shall not be used by the City when sampling, testing, removing or disposing of contaminated soils and/or media at the project site. The Obligations and Grant Agreement shall include an environmental indemnification provision wherein the City agrees to indemnify, hold harmless and protect the TWDB from any and all claims, causes of action or damages to the person or property of third parties arising from the sampling, analysis, transport, storage, treatment and disposition of any contaminated sewage sludge, contaminated sediments and/or contaminated media that may be generated by the City, its contractors, consultants, agents, officials and employees as a result of activities relating to the project to the extent permitted by law.
- 6. Before closing, and if not previously provided with the application, the City shall submit executed contracts for engineering, and, if applicable, financial advisor, and bond counsel contracts for the project that are satisfactory to the Executive Administrator. Fees to be reimbursed under the contracts must be reasonable in relation to the services performed under the contract and acceptable to the Executive Administrator.
- 7. Before closing, when any portion of the financial assistance is to be held in escrow or in trust, the City shall execute an escrow agreement or trust agreement, approved as to form and substance by the Executive Administrator, and shall submit that executed agreement to the TWDB.
- 8. The Executive Administrator may require that the City execute a separate financing agreement in form and substance acceptable to the Executive Administrator.
- 9. This commitment is contingent upon the issuance of a written approving opinion of the Attorney General of the State of Texas stating that all of the requirements of the laws under which said Obligations were issued have been complied with; that said Obligations were issued in conformity with the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas; and that said Obligations are valid and binding obligations of the City.
- 10. The Obligations must provide that the Obligations can be called for early redemption only in inverse order of maturity, and on any date beginning on or after the first interest payment date which is 10 years from the dated date of the Obligations, at a redemption price of par, together with accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption.
- 11. The City, or an obligated person for whom financial or operating data is presented to the TWDB in the application for financial assistance either individually or in combination with other issuers of the City's Obligations or obligated persons, will, at

a minimum, regardless of the amount of the Obligations, covenant to comply with requirements for continuing disclosure on an ongoing basis substantially in the manner required by Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) in 17 CFR § 240.15c2-12 (Rule 15c2-12) and determined as if the TWDB were a Participating Underwriter within the meaning of such rule, such continuing disclosure undertaking being for the benefit of the TWDB and the beneficial owners of the City's Obligations, if the TWDB sells or otherwise transfers such Obligations, and the beneficial owners of the TWDB's bonds if the City is an obligated person with respect to such bonds under SEC Rule 15c2-12.

- 12. The Obligations must contain a provision requiring the City to levy a tax or maintain and collect sufficient rates and charges to produce system revenues in an amount necessary to meet the debt service requirements of all outstanding obligations and to maintain the funds established and required by the Obligations.
- 13. The Obligations must include a provision requiring the City to use any loan proceeds from the Obligations that are determined to be surplus proceeds remaining after completion of the project and after completion of a final accounting in a manner approved by the Executive Administrator.
- 14. Before closing, the City shall submit documentation evidencing the adoption and implementation of sufficient system rates and charges or, if applicable, the levy of an interest and sinking tax rate sufficient for the repayment of all system debt service requirements.
- 15. The City must immediately notify TWDB, in writing, of any suit against it by the Attorney General of Texas under Texas Penal Code § 1.10(f) (related to federal laws regulating firearms, firearm accessories, and firearm ammunition).
- 16. The Obligations must provide that the City will comply with all applicable TWDB laws and rules related to the use of the financial assistance.
- 17. The Obligations must provide that the City must comply with all conditions as specified in the final environmental finding of the Executive Administrator when issued, including the standard emergency discovery conditions for threatened and endangered species and cultural resources.
- 18. The Obligations must contain a provision requiring the City to maintain insurance coverage sufficient to protect the TWDB's interest in the project.
- 19. The Obligations must provide that the City will submit annually an audit prepared by a certified public accountant in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards.
- 20. The Obligations must contain a covenant that the City will abide by all applicable construction contract requirements related to the use of iron and steel products and manufactured goods produced in the United States, as required by Texas Water Code § 17.183.

### Conditions Related To Tax-Exempt Status:

- 21. The City's bond counsel must prepare a written opinion that states that the interest on the Obligations is excludable from gross income or is exempt from federal income taxation. Bond counsel may rely on covenants and representations of the City when rendering this opinion.
- 22. The City's bond counsel opinion must also state that the Obligations are not "private activity bonds." Bond counsel may rely on covenants and representations of the City when rendering this opinion.
- 23. The Obligations must include a provision prohibiting the City from using the proceeds of this loan in a manner that would cause the Obligations to become "private activity bonds" within the meaning of § 141 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (Code), and the Treasury Regulations promulgated thereunder (Regulations).
- 24. The Obligations must provide that no portion of the proceeds of the loan will be used, directly or indirectly, in a manner that would cause the Obligations to be "arbitrage bonds" within the meaning of § 148(a) of the Code and Regulations, including to acquire or to replace funds which were used, directly or indirectly, to acquire Nonpurpose Investments (as defined in the Code and Regulations) which produce a yield materially higher than the yield on the TWDB's bonds that are issued to provide financing for the loan (Source Series Bonds), other than Nonpurpose Investments acquired with:
  - a. proceeds of the TWDB's Source Series Bonds invested for a reasonable temporary period of up to three (3) years after the issue date of the Source Series Bonds until such proceeds are needed for the facilities to be financed;
  - b. amounts invested in a bona fide debt service fund, within the meaning of § 1.148-1(b) of the Regulations; and
  - c. amounts deposited in any reasonably required reserve or replacement fund to the extent such amounts do not exceed the least of maximum annual debt service on the Obligations, 125% of average annual debt service on the Obligations, or 10 percent of the stated principal amount (or, in the case of a discount, the issue price) of the Obligations.
- 25. The Obligations must include a provision requiring the City take all necessary steps to comply with the requirement that certain amounts earned on the investment of gross proceeds of the Obligations be rebated to the federal government in order to satisfy the requirements of § 148 of the Code. The Obligations must provide that the City will:
  - a. account for all Gross Proceeds as defined in the Code and Regulations, (including all receipts, expenditures, and investments thereof) on its books of account separately and apart from all other funds (and receipts, expenditures, and investments thereof) and retain all records of such accounting for at least

six years after the final Computation Date. The City may, however, to the extent permitted by law, commingle Gross Proceeds of its loan with other money of the City, provided that the City separately accounts for each receipt and expenditure of such Gross Proceeds and the obligations acquired therewith;

- b. calculate the Rebate Amount, as defined in the Code and Regulations, with respect to its loan, not less frequently than each Computation Date, in accordance with rules set forth in § 148(f) of the Code, § 1.148-3 of the Regulations, and the rulings thereunder. The City shall maintain a copy of such calculations for at least six years after the final Computation Date;
- c. as additional consideration for the making of the loan, and in order to induce the making of the loan by measures designed to ensure the excludability of the interest on the TWDB's Source Series Bonds from the gross income of the owners thereof for federal income tax purposes, pay to the United States the amount described in paragraph (b) above within 30 days after each Computation Date; and
- d. exercise reasonable diligence to assure that no errors are made in the calculations required by paragraph (b) and, if such error is made, to discover and promptly to correct such error within a reasonable amount of time, thereafter, including payment to the United States of any interest and any penalty required by the Regulations.
- 26. The Obligations must include a provision prohibiting the City from taking any action that would cause the interest on the Obligations to be includable in gross income for federal income tax purposes.
- 27. The Obligations must provide that the City will not cause or permit the Obligations to be treated as "federally guaranteed" obligations within the meaning of § 149(b) of the Code.
- 28. The transcript must include a No Arbitrage Certificate or similar Federal Tax Certificate setting forth the City's reasonable expectations regarding the use, expenditure and investment of the proceeds of the Obligations.
- 29. The transcript must include evidence that the information reporting requirements of § 149(e) of the Code will be satisfied. This requirement may be satisfied by filing an IRS Form 8038 with the Internal Revenue Service. In addition, the applicable completed IRS Form 8038 or other evidence that the information reporting requirements of § 149(e) have been satisfied must be provided to the Executive Administrator within fourteen (14) days of closing. The Executive Administrator may withhold the release of funds for failure to comply.
- 30. The Obligations must provide that neither the City nor a related party thereto will acquire any of the TWDB's Source Series Bonds in an amount related to the amount of the Obligations to be acquired from the City by the TWDB.

31. Before closing, the City shall provide certification that the average weighted maturity of the Obligations purchased by the TWDB does not exceed 120% of the average reasonably expected economic life of the Project.

The Following Conditions Must Be Included in the Grant Agreement:

- 32. The Grant Agreement must provide that the City must comply with all conditions as specified in the final environmental finding of the Executive Administrator when issued, including the standard emergency discovery conditions for threatened and endangered species and cultural resources.
- 33. The Grant Agreement must provide that the City will not begin construction for a portion of the Project until the environmental finding has been issued for that portion of the Project.
- 34. The Grant Agreement must contain a provision requiring the City to maintain insurance coverage sufficient to protect the TWDB's interest in the project.
- 35. The Grant Agreement must a include a provision requiring a final accounting to be made of the total sources and authorized use of Project funds within 60 days of the completion of the Project.
- 36. The Grant Agreement must include a provision stating that the City shall return any grant funds that are determined to be surplus funds remaining after completion of the Project and completion of a final accounting, including any interest earned on the grant funds in a manner approved by the executive administrator.
- 37. The Grant Agreement must contain a provision stating that the City shall abide by all applicable construction contract requirements related to the use of iron and steel products produced in the United States, as required by Texas Government Code, Chapter 2252, Subchapter G.
- 38. Before release of funds for the relevant services, and if required under the TWDB's financial assistance program and if not previously provided with the application, the City shall submit executed contracts for engineering and, if applicable, financial advisor and legal services, for the Project that are satisfactory to the Executive Administrator. Fees to be reimbursed under the contracts must be reasonable in relation to the services performed, reflected in the contract, and acceptable to the Executive Administrator.
- 39. Before closing, when any portion of financial assistance is to be held in escrow or in trust, the City shall execute an escrow agreement or trust agreement, approved as to form and substance by the Executive Administrator, and shall submit that executed agreement to the TWDB.
- 40. Before release of funds for construction, the City must provide the TWDB with evidence that the necessary acquisitions of land, leases, easements and rights-of-way have been completed or, with prior approval by the executive administrator if all

acquisitions have not been completed, evidence that the applicant has the legal City necessary to complete the acquisitions.

### Pledge Conditions for the Loan:

- 41. The Obligations must contain a provision that provides as follows:
  - a. if system revenues are actually on deposit in the Interest and Sinking Fund in advance of the time when ad valorem taxes are scheduled to be levied for any year, then the amount of taxes which otherwise would have been required to be levied and collected may be reduced to the extent and by the amount of revenues then on deposit in the Interest and Sinking Fund; or
  - b. if surplus revenues are based upon budgeted amounts:
- 42. The Obligations must include a requirement that the City transfer and deposit in the Interest and Sinking Fund each month an amount of not less than 1/12th of the annual debt service on the Obligations until the amount on deposit in the Interest and Sinking Fund equals the amount required for annual debt service on the Obligations; further, that the ordinance authorizing the issuance of the Obligations must include a requirement that the City shall not transfer any funds from the City's pledged system revenues to any fund other than the Interest and Sinking Fund until such time as an amount equal to the annual debt service on the Obligations for the then-current fiscal year has been deposited in the Interest and Sinking Fund.
- 43. The Obligations must include a requirement that for each year the Obligations are outstanding, and Before the time taxes are to be levied for such year, the City shall establish, adopt, and maintain an annual budget that provides for either the monthly deposit of sufficient surplus pledged revenues and/or tax revenues, the monthly deposit of any other legally available funds on hand at the time of the adoption of the annual budget, or a combination thereof, into the Interest and Sinking Fund for the repayment of the Obligations.
- 44. The Obligations must include a requirement that the City shall at all times maintain and collect sufficient rates and charges in conjunction with any other legally available funds so that after payment of the costs of operating and maintaining the system, it produces revenues in an amount not less than 1.10 times debt service requirements of all outstanding Obligations of the City and other obligations of the City which are secured in whole or in part by the pledged revenues, for which the City is budgeting the repayment of such Obligations, or the City shall provide documentation which evidences the levy and collection of an ad valorem tax rate dedicated to the Interest and Sinking Fund, in conjunction with any other legally available funds, sufficient for the repayment of debt service requirements.

### **Special Conditions:**

45. Before closing, the City shall execute a Grant Agreement in a form and substance acceptable to the Executive Administrator.

- 46. Before closing, the City shall submit a 2024 audit, the form and substance of which is satisfactory to the Executive Administrator.
- 47. Before the release of construction funds for that portion of a project that proposes surface water or groundwater development, the Executive Administrator must have issued a written finding that the City has the right to use the water that the project financed by the TWDB will provide.

APPROVED and ordered of record this, the 10th day of April, 2025

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	TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD
	L'Oreal Stepney, P.E., Chairwoman
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ATTEST:	
Bryan McMath, Interim Executive Admin	 istrator

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Other

**WATER CONSERVATION PLAN DATE:** 

### **WATER CONSERVATION REVIEW**

Attachment 4
Review Date:

Project ID:

Adopted

**Water Loss GPCD** 

Approvable

**Residential GPCD** 

Entity: Other entity:

**Total GPCD** 

Baseline					
5-year Goal					
10-year Goal					
WATER LOSS AUDIT YEAR:					
Service connections: L Retail population:	ength of main lines (r Connections pe		Water Loss GCD: Water Loss GPCD: ILI: Real Loss GMD:		
WATER LOSS THRESHOLDS		Water Loss Proje	ect: Wai	ver Requested:	
Wholesale Adjusted:	Apparent Loss GCD		Real Loss GCD		
Threshold Type:	Reported	Threshold	Reported	Threshold	
Does the applicant meet Water Loss Thr	Yes	No N	<b>A</b>		
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION					

### STAFF NOTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

### **DEFINITIONS**

**Adopted** refers to a water conservation plan that meets the minimum requirements of the water conservation plan rules and has been formally approved and adopted by the applicant's governing body.

**Apparent losses** are paper losses that occur when the water reaches a customer, but the volume is not accurately measured and/or recorded due to unauthorized consumption, customer meter inaccuracy, or billing system and collection data errors.

**Approvable** refers to a water conservation plan that substantially meets the minimum requirements of the water conservation plan rules but has not yet been adopted by the applicant's governing body.

**Best Management Practices** are voluntary efficiency measures that save a quantifiable amount of water, either directly or indirectly, and that can be implemented within a specific time frame.

GPCD means gallons per capita per day.

**GCD** means gallons per connection per day.

**GMD** means gallons per mile per day.

Infrastructure Leakage Index (ILI) is the current annual real loss divided by the unavoidable annual real loss (theoretical minimum real loss) and only applies to utilities with more than 3,000 connections and a connection density of more than 16 connections per mile. The ILI is recommended to be less than 3 if water resources are greatly limited and difficult to develop, between 3 and 5 if water resources are adequate to meet long-term needs but water conservation is included in long-term water planning, and between 5 and 8 if water resources are plentiful, reliable, and easily extracted. The ILI is recommended as a bench marking tool, but until there is increased data validity of the variables used in the calculation, the ILI should be viewed with care.

NA means not applicable.

**Real losses** are the physical losses, largely leakage, from the infrastructure: mains, valves, and storage tank overflows. Real loss constitutes background leakage (unreported and difficult to detect), unreported leakage (leaks that do not surface but could be detected), and reported leakage (leaks that often surface and those that are detected by the utility through leak detection).

**Residential GPCD** is the amount of residential water use (single and multi-family customer use) divided by the residential population divided by 365.

**Total GPCD** is the amount of total system input volume divided by the retail population divided by 365.

**Total water loss** is the sum of the apparent and real water losses.

**Water loss** is the difference between the input volume and the authorized consumption within a water system. Water Loss consists of real losses and apparent losses.

Water Loss GPCD is the amount of water loss divided by the retail population divided by 365.

Water Loss per Connection per Day Calculated as the water loss volume divided by the number service connections divided by 365. This indicator allows for reliable performance tracking in the water utility's efforts to reduce water losses. It replaces water loss percentage.

Water Loss Thresholds are levels of real and apparent water loss determined by the connection density of a retail public utility, at or above which a utility receiving financial assistance from the Texas Water Development Board must use a portion of that financial assistance to mitigate the utility's system water loss.

Wholesale Adjusted represents that some utilities provide large volumes of wholesale water to other providers that travel through the general distribution system, so a calculation has been established to adjust for that volume of wholesale water. These adjustments are only applicable for use in determining whether a utility meets or exceeds water loss thresholds in review of their application for financial assistance. These adjustments should not be used for performance tracking or benchmarking.



## City of Corrigan Polk County

