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APPLICATION OF THE CITY OF **HUTTO TO AMEND A SEWER** CERTIFICATE OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY IN WILLIAMSON **COUNTY**



SOAH ORDER NO. 18 ADOPTION OF PROPOSED AMENDED PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE

The City of Hutto (Hutto) filed an application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) on November 21, 2017, to amend its sewer Certificate of Convenience and Necessity Number 20122, in Williamson County, Texas (Application). On February 27, 2018, the contested case proceeding was referred to the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH). In Order No. 5, the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) referred this case to SOAH's Alternative Dispute Resolution Team Leader, Judge Howard S. Seitzman, for mediation between Staff of the Public Utility Commission of Texas, Hutto, and the Boehm Alliance. On August 20, 2018, Judge Seitzman held a mediation that concluded with Hutto, Commission Staff, and the Boehm Alliance reaching an agreement in principle. On February 20, 2019, Hutto and the Boehm Alliance executed a Settlement Agreement which requires Hutto to amend its Application to exclude those properties identified in the Settlement Agreement from Hutto's existing sewer service area and the Boehm Alliance to file a motion, withdrawing its protests to the Application. Judge Seitzman filed a Final Report on Mediation on February 6, 2019.

On January 15, 2020, Staff and Hutto filed a Joint Request for Extension of Time to extend Staff's deadline to file a final recommendation from January 15, 2020, to January 31, 2020, in order to allow Staff to evaluate additional information recently provided by Hutto and formulate a final recommendation. The ALJ finds the motion has merit and it is granted. Therefore, the remaining dates in the previously approved procedural schedule need to be adjusted to reflect that extension. Staff and Hutto filed a joint proposed procedural schedule, which the ALJ adopts as follows:

Deadline for Staff to File a Final	January 31, 2020
Recommendation	
Deadline for Hutto to Request a Hearing	February 7, 2020
If a hearing is requested, deadline to file Joint	February 21, 2020
Proposed Hearing Schedule	
If a hearing is not requested, deadline for	February 21, 2020
Staff and Hutto to file a Joint Motion to	
Remand to the Commission, and a Joint	
Proposed Order, including detailed Findings	
of Fact, corresponding Conclusions of Law,	
and Order Paragraphs	

SIGNED January 24, 2020.

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ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS