## Inner Harbor Water Treatment Campus Alternate Project Delivery Options

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#### **Presentation Overview**

- Inner Harbor Alternate Project Delivery Options
- Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) Loan Update
- Water Supply Projects Update

## Inner Harbor Alternate **Project Delivery Options**

### **Project Status Recap**

- At the September 23, 2025 city council meeting multiple Councilmembers requested staff put together a workshop to discuss alternate project delivery options for the Inner Harbor project.
- Kiewit was issued a suspension of work starting 8/1/25 for a period of 90 days. The suspension and contract are set to expire October 30, 2025.
- All options presented can utilize the project deliverables, approved permits (TCEQ and ACOE), the new power that has been secured through AEP, and the land purchase agreement that is active with extension options available.

#### Option #1: #2 Ranked Progressive Design **Build Team - Acciona**

• Joint Venture: Acciona and MasTec

• Supporting Team: Ardurra, Reytec, CSA, Turner Ramirez, Gignac and more

Acciona brings to the City of Corpus Christi the experience from:

- ✓ Designed and built 540+ water treatment plants with a total installed capacity of 9.500 MGD
- ✓ Designed, built, and commissioned 92 Seawater RO desalination plants with a total installed capacity of 1,849 MGD
- ✓ In 2023 alone, commissioned 449 MGD of water from SWRO desalination plants
- ✓ Currently the operator of 25 Seawater RO desalination plants that can produce 500+ MGD



ENGINEERING

Corrosion

V&A

Electrical

Ardurra

Structural

Ardurra

HVAC

AACE

Landscape Architect

Gignac Landscape

Architect

High Voltage Power

Corpus Christi Desal Partners Representative "We would be honored to serve as the City of Corpus Christi's Design Builder for this landmark project. We bring to the City the experience and lessons learned from the design, construction, and commissioning of 92 Seawater RO desalination plants that have a total installed capacity of 1,849 MGD. On behalf of our Joint Venture Partners, I hereby commit the personnel and resources to deliver a best in class desal plant for the City of Carpus Christi.

#### PUBLIC RELATIONS

Community Liaison Three Dimensional Development

Desalination Lead Acciona Dietrich Consulting Group

Lead Engineer

Reverse Osmosis Acciona

Geotechnical **UES Professional** Solutions

Intake/System Integration/ Engineering Support Hazen & Sawyer

Architect Turner Romirez

#### PRE CONSTRUCTION

Pre-Construction Services Reytec Mastec

Acciona

Scheduling Project Surveillance Inc

> Estimatina Reylec Moster

Procurement Acciona

#### CONSTRUCTION

**SCADA** 

Subcontractor

Acciona

Prime Controls

Commissioning

Manager

Acciona

Construction

Superintendent

Rava (DBE)

Bidder Pool

McCarthy Marine

Clark Construction

Industrial TX

Wharton Smith

Rabalais Electric

Scott Electric

General Contractor(s) Massted Raya CSA

Construction Manager Mastea

Process Mechanical Subcontractor Acciona

Electrical & Instrumentation Subcontractor Alterman Saber Power

#### **OPERATIONS**

Operations Acciona

O&M Training Lead



## Option #1: Proceed with #2 Ranked **Progressive Design Build Team**

- Plant Owner and Operator: City
- Design Builder: Acciona
- Actions Required:
  - Terminate contract with Kiewit
  - Update contract and negotiate with Acciona
  - Council approval for design and construction
- Delivery Timeline: 45 Months
- Financing Options:
  - Utilize approved SWIFT loans and request additional state funding
  - Utilize Utility Revenue Bonds



## **Option #2: Gulf Coast Authority (GCA)**

- Who is GCA?
  - Political subdivision of the State of Texas
- Not-for-profit governmental entity providing:
  - Regionalized industrial wastewater treatment
  - Municipal wastewater treatment
  - Industrial water reuse





### Option #2 continued: Assign contracts to GCA

- Plant Owner and Operator: GCA
- <u>Delivery Option:</u> Progressive Design Build
- Actions Required:
  - Council approval required to transfer/sell/lease contract(s), contract documents, permits, land and power
  - Enter into agreement with GCA and develop and negotiate take-or-pay contract (or similar)
  - GCA to work with other local entities to achieve permission to operate in the area
- Delivery Timeline: 42 Months
- Financing Options:
  - Utilize approved SWIFT loans and request additional state funding (Requires approval from TWDB)
  - Work with GCA to acquire alternative financing options



### Option #3: Proceed with new project delivery process - Design Bid Build

- Plant Owner and Operator: City
- Designer and Contractor: TBD
- Actions Required:
  - Terminate contract with Kiewit and FNI
  - Develop RFQ for design, select designer, and Council approval for design
  - Develop RFP for construction, select low bid contractor and Council approval for construction
- <u>Delivery Timeline</u>: 62 Months
- Financing Options:
  - Utilize approved SWIFT loans and acquire additional funding (Requires approval) from TWDB)
  - Utilize Utility Revenue Bonds



## Option #4: Proceed with new project delivery process – Public Private Partnership (P3)

- Plant Owner and Operator: P3
- Designer and Contractor: TBD
- Actions Required:
  - Terminate contract with Kiewit and FNI
  - Council adoption of Texas Governmental Code Chapter 2267
  - Develop P3 agreement, select P3 partner and present to Council
- <u>Delivery Timeline</u>: 60 Months
- Financing Options:
  - Private financing



#### **Project Delivery Option Comparison**

Options	Description	Ownership	Permits	Operation	Duration to Completion	Financing
1	#2 Acciona (PDB)	City	Own	City	45	SWIFT Loan and/or Bonds
2	GCA Assigned Contract	GCA	Transfer, Sell or Lease	GCA	42	SWIFT Loan, Bonds, and/or Private Financing
3	DBB(O)	City or Private Entity	Own	City or Private Entity	62	SWIFT Loan and/or Bonds
4	P3	P3	Transfer, Sell or Lease	P3	60	Bonds and/or Private Financing

DBB - Design Bid Build

GCA – Gulf Coast Authority

PDB – Progressive Design Build

P3 – Public Private Partnership



# Texas Water Development Board Loan Update

## Texas Water Development Board SWIFT Loan Status as of 9/30/25

#### **SWIFT LOANS**

LOANS APPROVED \$760,325,000

FUNDS BORROWED \$235,225,000

FUNDS AVAILABLE \$525,100,000

#### **OUTSTANDING SWIFT DEBT**

PRINCIPAL \$231,145,000

INTEREST \$135,838,688

#### **BORROWED FUNDS IN STATE ESCROW**

CASH BALANCE

\$ 212,578,411



#### **Next Steps**

Receive direction from City Council

Bond Counsel, Financial Advisor & City Staff working with TWDB

Once clarified → run defeasance analysis

Return to Council with options & recommendations

- Nueces River Groundwater Wells Project
- **Evangeline Groundwater Project**
- NRA Harbor Island Seawater Desalination Project
- Reuse Alternatives
- CC Polymers Seawater Desalination Treatment Plant
- STWA
- EV Ranch Project



#### Water Supply Projects Update **Nueces River Groundwater Wells**

#### **Eastern Well Field**

- Permits Bed & Bank Permit secured on August 7, 2025
- Wells No. 1-8 drilled, discharging up to 8 MGD
- Long-term sustainable pumping is approx. 11 MGD

#### Western Well Field

- Permits Ongoing analysis and discussions with TCEQ
- Well No. 9 pump testing complete, Well No. 10 pump testing complete, Well No. 11 drilling complete, Well No. 12 starting to drill
- Long-term sustainable pumping is approx. 17 MGD

Estimated Capital Cost (Western and Eastern Well Field):

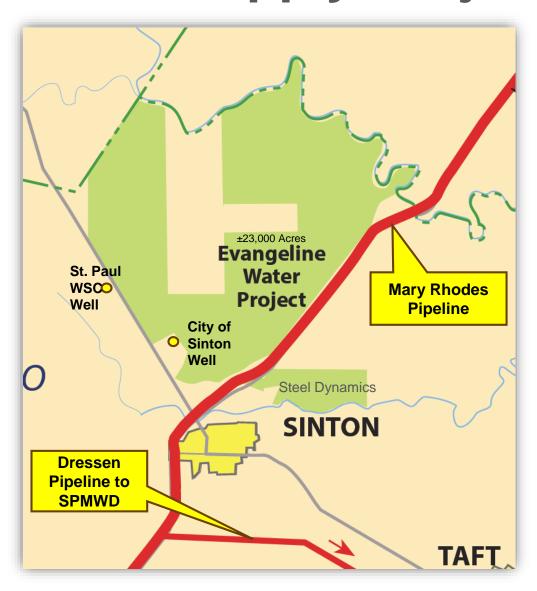
- Expenditures approx. \$15.5M to date
- \$30M grant funding secured from the State of Texas











#### **Evangeline Groundwater**

During the September 23 City Council meeting, Council approved the negotiated term sheet for fee simple groundwater rights which will be the basis for a final contract.

- Purchase price of \$7,437 for 22,789 acres of groundwater rights
- \$1M earnest and option payment for a 120-day inspection period with an additional \$3.25M to be escrowed at the end of the inspection period and applied to the purchase price at closing
- Seller will have 180-days after the inspection period to provide final, nonappealable permits for 22 wells, production permit, and transport permit with closing to occur 60 days after all permits are obtained. Seller has stated that they would work to begin obtaining the permits as soon as the contract is signed
- Seller to provide clean and indefeasible title to groundwater rights with no rights of reverter, and with title insurance at closing
- Conveyance of existing groundwater wells and appurtenances
- Assignment of surface use agreements and surface accommodation agreement to the City

Additionally, Council approved agreements with Allensworth & Porter, LLP, T. Baker Smith, and Pape Dawson Engineers for legal, survey, and engineering professional services.

#### NRA - Harbor Island Seawater Desalination

- September 22 meeting to discuss project terms
- Project Details: Phase 1 100 MGD
  - Procurement: Public Private Partnership (P3) Design, Build, Finance,
     Operate, Maintain (DBFOM), & Transfer
  - Timeline: Estimated construction start in March 2027 and produce water by December 2029
  - Required Permits
    - TCEQ Intake: draft expected 10/2025
    - TCEQ Discharge: draft expected 10/2025
    - US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE): Construction on Harbor Island
    - USACE: Bore under the Island
    - USACE: Structures and diversion, discharge lines into the Gulf obtained

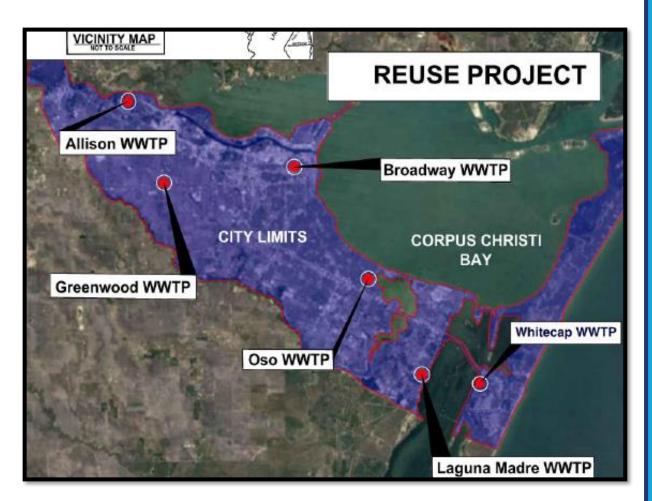
#### Proposed option fees

- One-time, non-refundable option fee to reserve the water
- Fee does not guarantee a delivery date for the water
- CCW will bring option fee for Council consideration on October 7

Water Purchase Agreement Amount	Reservation Fee
30 MGD	\$1,642,578.98
40 MGD	\$2,190,105.30
50 MGD	\$2,737,631.62

#### **Reuse Alternatives**

- Garver continues to investigate reclaimed water potential with a focus on the following three options:
  - Conveyance of effluent and TCEQ permitting to take water to the Nueces River
  - Aquifer storage and recovery
  - Direct potable reuse
- CCW and Garver will present updates to the Council during water supply update on October 21
- CCW to meet with Ardurra on October 1 to further discuss project details



## Water Supply Projects Update **CC Polymers Seawater Desalination Plant**

- Proposal for facility condition assessment projected for Council review on October 7
- CCW staff visited the CC Polymers site on September 11 and 12
- CDM Smith, the City's consultant, provided the estimates for project cost, timeline, and permitting requirements\*

Phase	Total capacity	OPCC Capital Cost	Total Time	Permitting Requirements
PHASE 0 - Initial Inspection + Purchase Negotiations	9.4 MGD	Condition assessment +engineering support \$1.62 M	12 months	N/A
PHASE 1 - TCEQ Potable Pilot and Initial Engineering	9.4 MGD	Studies, permits and engineering for expansion \$19.9 M Purchase plant \$225 M Total \$244.9 M	28 months	-TCEQ approval to produce drinking water -Intake permit amendment for change use type and expansion
PHASE 2 — Expand to 23.5 MGD Potable	23.5 MGD	\$263.5 M	32 months produce potable water 9.4 MGD 36 months delivery 7.4 MGD to CCP (to be confirmed) 51 months to produce 23.5 MGD	Construction permits Intake, discharge and potable production permit previously approved
PHASE 3 - Expand to 31.5 MGD (total production of 24 MGD potable and 7.5 MGD industrial)	31.5 MGD	5144 M	51 months	Idem to phase 2
Total	31.5 MGD	\$654 M		

<sup>\*</sup>Please note: this is preliminary information and has not been finalized.

## Water Supply Projects Update **South Texas Water Authority**

On September 23, South Texas Water Authority (STWA) Executive Director John Marez provided an update to City Council and provided the following information:

- STWA Board of Directors approved offering water to City of Corpus Christi on September 9, 2025
  - Raw water quality results from SWTA's test well were provided to the City as requested for City staff review
- Water purchased by the City will be treated/finished water and meet or exceed all TCEQ primary and secondary drinking water standards
- Final target of Phase 1 of the project is 13 MGD with 3 MGD for STWA and 10 MGD available for sale to the City
- There could be an option to add additional water in 10 MGD increments
- A potential contract has been drafted by STWA to prepare for potential future

## Water Supply Projects Update EV Ranch

- Meeting held on September 22 to discuss new project proposal
- Follow-up meeting with leadership from EV Ranch will be scheduled in mid-October

## **Supplemental Water Supply Projects**

Project	Projected Supply	Projected Delivery	Comments
Nueces Groundwater	28 MGD	Ongoing - partial May 2026 – full	2 <sup>nd</sup> Bed and Banks permit required Dates shown are without treatment
Evangeline Laguna	24 MGD	Nov. 2026 – partial 2027 – full	Inspection/due diligence period Contract conditions are to be fulfilled prior to close Pre-engineering has started, dates to be confirmed
Effluent Reuse	10-16 MGD	2027 4 <sup>th</sup> Qtr	Negotiating contracts Reviewing potential options and routes
NRA Harbor Island	50 MGD	Dec 2029	Reservation Fee required
South Texas Water Authority	10 MGD		Memorandum of Understanding is guiding discussions
CC Polymer	24 MGD		Process and equipment inspection required
EV Ranch	28 MGD		







#### **Project Status Recap**

• On July 29, 2025 City Council postponed a motion to authorize Amendment No. 5 to continue design development to allow Council to receive funding info from TWDB.

1<sup>st</sup> Letter sent to TWDB 7/25/25

1<sup>st</sup> TWDB response was received 8/8/25

2<sup>nd</sup> Letter sent to TWDB 8/18/25

2<sup>nd</sup> TWDB response was received 8/29/25

- Kiewit was issued a suspension of work starting 8/1/25 for a period of 90 days. The suspension and contract are set to expire October 30, 2025.
- At the September 2, 2025 city council meeting a motion to approve amendment #5 for continued design development failed.