

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM

To: Texas Commission on Environmental Quality **Date:** March 16, 2007

Thru: RC Robert Cummins, P.E., Leader, Districts Review Team

From: RW Districts Review Team

Subject: Docket No. 2006-1783-DIS. Mauriceville Special Utility District of Orange, Jasper, and Newton Counties; Application for Conversion to a Municipal Utility District; Pursuant to Texas Water Code Chapters 49 and 54.
TCEQ Internal Control No. 09192006-D10 (TC)
CN: 603105081 RN: 105077291

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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

A. REQUEST

The Commission received an application from Mauriceville Special Utility District (SUD) (the "District") requesting approval for conversion to a municipal utility district (MUD). The District currently operates under Texas Water Code (TWC) Chapters 49 and 65 as a SUD. The District projects that it would better serve the land and its citizens by converting to a municipal utility district operating under TWC Chapters 49 and 54.

B. GENERAL INFORMATION

The District was created on December 12, 1994, by the TCEQ's predecessor agency, the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, as a SUD under Article XVI, Section 59 of the Texas Constitution and TWC Chapter 65. As a special utility district, the District has the authority to issue revenue bonds pursuant to TWC Section 65.503, but does not have the authority to issue tax-supported debt. Conversion to a municipal utility district operating under TWC Chapter 54 allows the District, with voter approval, to issue tax-supported bonds for any new improvements and to refund existing debt.

C. CONSIDERATIONS

Support for Conversion

30 TAC Section 293.15 specifies application requirements for conversion. In support of its request, the District has provided maps of existing facilities and states that there are no proposed capital improvements anticipated at this time. Additionally, a preliminary engineering report was provided that describes in detail existing conditions, services, land use, and financial condition, and focuses on the development of the District's property and the projects to be undertaken in that development. In its petition, the District states that

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it does not propose any significant capital improvements or a change in its land use as a consequence of the conversion.

Purpose for Conversion

The District, at the time of creation, provided water service. Proceeds from the sale of bonds to the Texas Water Development Board were used to refund existing water system debt and construct a wastewater collection and treatment system. Because of lower growth and higher utility costs compared to estimates when bonds were sold, customers pay unusually high charges for water and wastewater service. For 10,000 gallons of water and wastewater usage per month, customers currently pay \$117.70. Average usage is approximately 5,300 gallons per month, which costs about \$74. Without conversion to a MUD and refinancing of its debt, the District expects to have to increase water and wastewater rates by 30%.

The District seeks conversion so that it may expand the options available to refinance its debt (currently \$22,260,000) with tax-supported bonds at a lower interest rate than on its current revenue bonds. According to information provided, the District's weighted-average interest rate on its outstanding debt is 6.04%; a lower interest rate of 5.5% is projected with refinancing. Based on no-growth to a taxable assessed valuation of \$316,896,204, the District anticipates that a debt service tax rate of \$0.07 to \$0.56 would be necessary depending on the amount of operating revenue transferred to debt service.

Location

The District is located in northern Orange County, southeastern Jasper County, and southwestern Newton County. It is bounded on the south by Interstate 10, on the east by the City of Orange, and on the west by the City of Vidor. Application material indicates that the District is located within the extraterritorial jurisdictions of the cities of Orange and Vidor. Pursuant to Local Government Code Section 42.042(j), the City of Orange (by Ordinance No. 2006-21 dated September 12, 2006) and the City of Vidor (by Ordinance No. 1058 dated August 24, 2006) have consented to the conversion of the District into a MUD. The District would keep its current boundaries upon conversion.

Names and Powers of the District upon Conversion

TWC Section 54.035(a) allows a district to continue to exercise the powers and duties it had prior to conversion and retain its original name. Upon conversion to a municipal utility district, the District would exercise the powers and duties enumerated in TWC Chapter 54. The District's application does not request to retain any specific powers and duties it currently has under TWC Chapter 65. The District has made it known that upon conversion to a municipal utility district, it would be known as Mauriceville Municipal Utility District of Orange, Jasper, and Newton counties.

District Board of Directors

TWC Section 54.036 provides that the existing board of a district converted to a municipal utility district shall serve as the board of the converted district.

D. CONCLUSION

Based on the application and the supporting information provided, the District meets the requirements set forth in 30 TAC Section 293.15 and Texas Water Code Sections 54.030–54.036 for conversion into a municipal utility district.

E. RECOMMENDATION

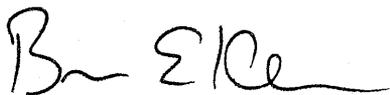
Approve the District's request to be converted into a municipal utility district operating under Texas Water Code Chapter 54, with its name changed to Mauriceville Municipal Utility District of Orange, Jasper, and Newton counties.

F. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The applicant's professional representatives are:

Attorney: Mr. Guy N. Goodson – Germer Gertz LLP

Engineer: Mr. Toby J. Davis, P.E. – Carroll & Blackman Inc.



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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



DOCKET NO. 2006-1783-DIS

AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CONVERSION OF MAURICEVILLE SPECIAL UTILITY DISTRICT OF ORANGE, JASPER, AND NEWTON COUNTIES INTO A MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT

On July 25, 2007, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (hereafter "Commission") met in regular session at its offices in Austin, Texas, with notice of the meeting issued in compliance with the Open Meetings Act, TEX. GOVT. CODE §§ 551.001–551.146, and the Administrative Procedure Act, TEX. GOVT. CODE §§ 2001.001–2001.902, to consider the application of Mauriceville Special Utility District of Orange, Jasper, and Newton counties (hereafter "District") for conversion into a municipal utility district pursuant to TEX. WATER CODE §§ 54.030–54.036 and 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 293.15.

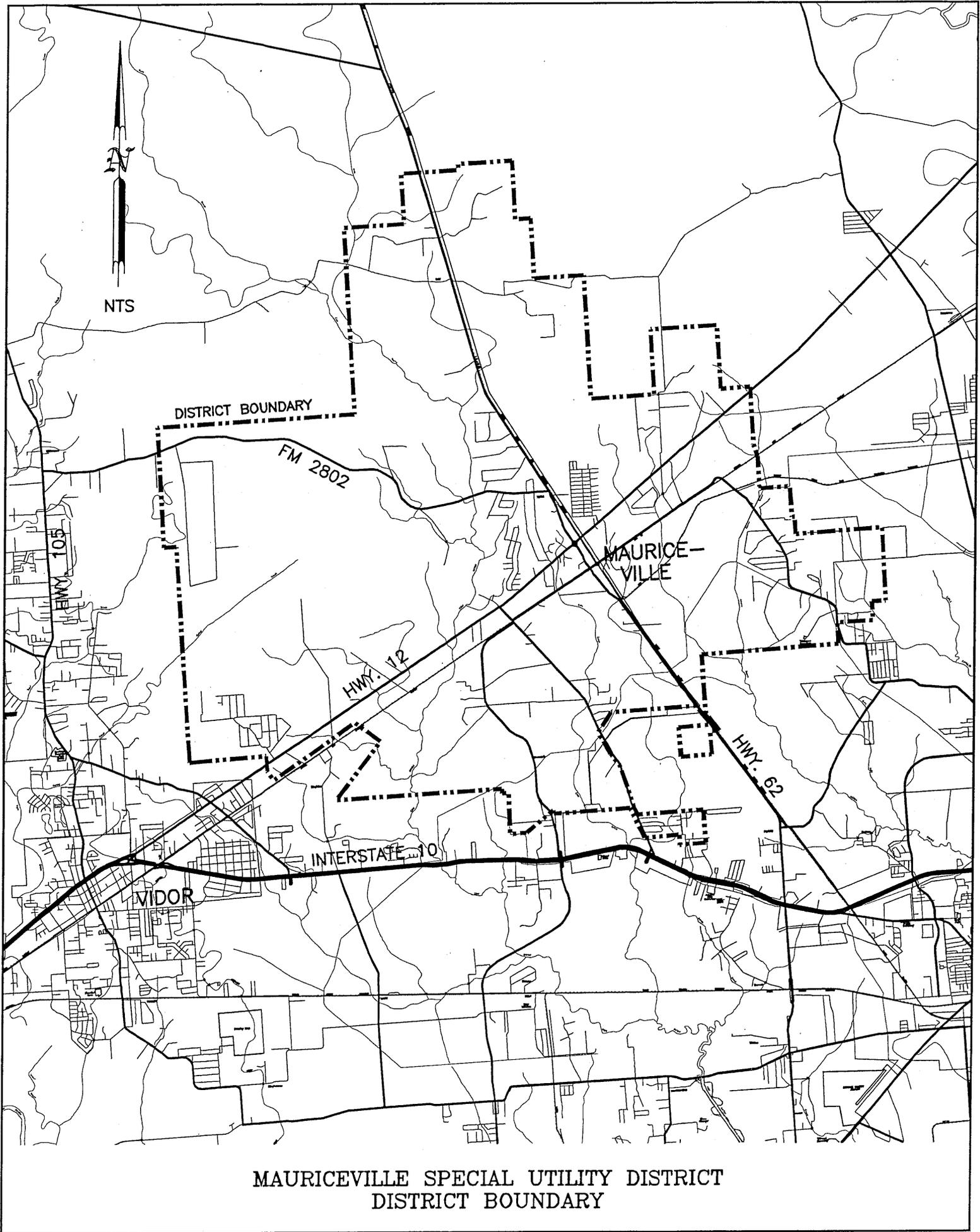
Proper notice of the hearing was published on April 22 and April 29, 2007, in the *Orange Leader*, and on May 16 and May 23, 2007, in the *Jasper Newsboy*, newspapers generally circulated in the counties in which the district is proposed to be located. Accordingly, the notice requirements of 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 293.15(c) have been satisfied. Additionally, notice of the hearing was posted on April 19, 2007, on the bulletin boards used for posting legal notices in Orange, Jasper, and Newton counties.

The Commission, after having considered the application as a whole and the memorandum dated March 16, 2007, from the Executive Director, a copy of which is attached and made a part hereof, finds that conversion of the District into a municipal utility district will serve the best interests of the District and will be of benefit to the land within it.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY that the application by Mauriceville Special Utility District of Orange, Jasper, and Newton counties for conversion into a municipal utility district operating under TEX. WATER CODE Chapter 54 is granted pursuant to TEX. WATER CODE §§ 54.030–54.036 and 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 293.15; that the name of the converted district shall be Mauriceville Municipal Utility District of Orange, Jasper, and Newton counties (hereafter "MUD"); that the Chief Clerk of the Commission shall forward a copy of this Order to all affected persons; and that the MUD shall file a copy of this Order in the deed records of Orange, Jasper, and Newton counties, Texas.

Issue Date:

For the Commission



MAURICEVILLE SPECIAL UTILITY DISTRICT
DISTRICT BOUNDARY

MAILING LIST

Docket No. 2006-1783-DIS
Mauriceville Special Utility District
TCEQ Internal Control No. 09192006-D10

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Exhibit A

RESOLUTION TO CONVERT TO A
MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT

STATE OF TEXAS)

COUNTY OF ORANGE)

BE IT KNOWN THAT:

On this the 20th day of June 2006, the Board of Directors of the MAURICEVILLE SPECIAL UTILITY DISTRICT, sitting in regular session, did make the following motion:

Motion by John M. Rayburn

Seconded by Herman F. Walton, that the

MAURICEVILLE SPECIAL UTILITY DISTRICT having been created under Article XVI, Section 59, of the Texas Constitution, hereby desires to be converted to Municipal Utility District and a request is also hereby made for the commission to hold a hearing on the question of the conversion of the district.

The reason for this request is that based on the judgment of the Board of Directors of Mauriceville Special Utility District, conversion to a municipal utility district operating under this chapter and under Article XVI, Section 59, of the Texas Constitution, would serve the best interest of the district and would be a benefit to the land and property included in the district.

Motion carried unanimously, as indicated by the signing below of the board of directors of the Mauriceville Special Utility District.

Ted Williams
Ted Williams, Board President

Herman F. Walton
Herman F. Walton, Vice-President

William D. Huffo
William D. Huffo, Secretary

absent - not voting
Frank Abernathy, Board Member

John M. Rayburn
John M. Rayburn, Board Member

Brian Kline - Mauriceville SUD Conversion to MUD / Docket No. 2006-1783-DIS / IC # 09192006-D10

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CC: Melissa Chao; Paul Munguia; Robert Cummins; Todd Galiga

REVISED E-MAIL. FIRST E-MAIL DID NOT GIVE PUBLICATION DATES FOR THE JASPER NEWSBOY.

The above referenced item is set on the 7-25-07 Commission Agenda.

We have received proof of newspaper publication, evidencing publication on April 22, and April 29, 2007 in the Orange Leader (per affidavit published or circulated in Orange and Newton Counties) and in The Jasper Newsboy (per affidavit published or circulated in Jasper County) on May 16, and May 23, 2007.

In addition, we have received the Affidavit of Posting Notice of District Hearing, evidencing that the notice together with Exhibits A & B, were posted on April 19, 2007 at Orange, Newton and Jasper Counties.

The comment period will end at the close of the public hearing at the Commission Agenda on July 25, 2007, unless extended at the agenda.

The documents are being prepared for filing and will be available for viewing by requesting the file at the front desk of OCC within the next few days.

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DESCRIPTION OF APPLICATION

Petitioner: Mauriceville Special Utility District of Orange, Jasper, and Newton counties (the "District")

Request: Conversion into a Municipal Utility District

Type: Conversion

Authority: Texas Water Code Chapters 49 and 54

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Grant the District's request to be converted into a Municipal Utility District.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

General: The District was created by the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission on December 12, 1994; it contains 49,810.82 acres of land, some of which overlaps the extraterritorial jurisdictions of the City of Orange and the City of Vidor. Each city has consented to the District's intended conversion.

ANTICIPATED RESPONSE

General agreement with staff recommendation.

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**MAURICEVILLE SPECIAL UTILITY DISTRICT
PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING REPORT**

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I. GENERAL

A. The Mauriceville Special Utility District provides water to the unincorporated area of Mauriceville, Texas which includes areas in Orange, Jasper, and Newton Counties. The Mauriceville Special Utility District was organized pursuant to the provisions of § 59 of Article XVI of the Constitution of Texas by Order of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission in Docket No. 94-0492-DIS and operates under Chapter 65 of the Texas Water Code, as amended. An election was held in and throughout the District on January 21, 1995, confirming the creation of the District. The District's first bonds were authorized by issuance effective April 11, 1996. On July 1, 1995, Mauriceville Special Utility District began operating the water system which was previously operated by the Mauriceville Water Supply Corp. The District acquired the title to the assets purchased from Mauriceville Water Supply Corp. on April 11, 1996 at the time of the issuance of the Utility System Revenue Bonds. The proceeds of the bonds were used to pay off the notes payable to Farmers Home Administration by Mauriceville Water Supply Corp. The District has been using the assets of the Corporation to operate the water system since July 1, 1995, in accordance with a buy-sell agreement executed by the Board of Directors of both entities on March 20, 1995. The District received final approval in January 1996 for the bond issuance to retire the debt to Farmers Home Administration and transfer the assets of the Corporation to the District. The bond funding was received on April 11, 1996, and all outstanding debt of the Corporation retired. The assets were released by Farmers Home Administration to the District at that time. The Mauriceville Water Supply Corporation ceased operations upon the start of operating the Mauriceville Special Utility District.

II. DESCRIPTION OF EXISTING SERVICE AREA

A. LOCATION

The existing Mauriceville Special Utility District (the "District") is located in the unincorporated area of north central Orange County in and around Mauriceville, the southeastern corner of Jasper County, and the southwestern corner of Newton County. It is bounded on the south by Interstate Highway 10, on the east by the portions of the City of Orange, and on the west by the City of Vidor. The heaviest concentration of residential and commercial services is located in and around Mauriceville near the intersection of State Highways 12 and 62.

B. CONDITIONS

The Mauriceville area experiences mild temperatures in the winter with lows in the

30's to 40's and hot temperatures in the summer with highs in the 90's. Average annual rainfall in the area is approximately 55 to 60 inches. Average relative humidity is usually 85 to 90 percent.

Economically, the area depends on the petro-chemical industry, agribusiness and the timber industry, with most residents commuting to the nearby industrial areas to work. The unemployment rate for Orange County was 8.0 percent, for Jasper County was 8.1 percent, and for Newton County was 9.5 percent in 2005 according to US Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. As estimated by the U.S. Census Bureau, the median household income in 2003 for Orange county was \$38,701, for Jasper County was \$31,206, and for Newton County was \$28,214..

C. TOPOGRAPHY

The area is generally flat, with elevations ranging from 45 m.s.l. on some localized hills in the north of the service area to 15 m.s.l. along Cow Bayou and 20 m.s.l. near Adams Bayou.

D. PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS

There are no proposed improvements related to the proposed conversion of the Mauriceville Special Utility District to the Mauriceville Municipal Utility District.

III. LAND USE

The majority of land in this area is timberland owned by large paper companies. The remainder of the land is mostly residential and pasture land, with a minimal amount of farm land and commercial usage. A change in the land use for the District is not proposed as part of the conversion of the District to a municipal utility district. The District is anticipated to remain in its current configuration as mostly single family residential with some commercial business enterprises and public and private school facilities.

IV. 100 YEAR FLOOD DATA

The majority of the area is determined to be outside of the 100 year flood plain. No flood elevation was established for these areas, (See Drainage Map), as shown on the Federal Emergency Management Agency's National Flood Insurance Program's Flood Insurance Rate Maps:

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48351C0575C	September 21, 1998
48351C0675C	September 21, 1998
48351C0650C	September 21, 1998

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January 6, 1983
June 5, 1997

V. EXISTING AND PROJECTED POPULATIONS

The District currently has 5,420 residents as per the attached table (Attachment "B"). When only the number of connections in a service area is known, three (3) persons per connection should be used to estimate the population as stated in the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) 30 TAC, Chapter 290.38 of "Rules and regulations for Public Water Systems". Over the past several years, MSUD has experienced a growth rate of approximately three (2.1%) percent per year. The District is not completely built out, and additional population projects are as shown in Attachment "B".

VI. PROPOSED SYSTEM EXPANSIONS & COST ESTIMATES

The District does not currently anticipate any significant capital improvement projects as the District's water and wastewater facilities are adequate for existing and projected population growth including service to the South Newton Water Supply Corporation certificated area which the District provides wastewater treatment services by contract.

VII. WATER AND SEWER RATES

The District's water and wastewater rates are shown on the attached rate sheet (Attachment "C"). The District currently has no taxing authority, but anticipates that upon conversion may seek voter authorization to issue refunding bonds on or after September, 2007, with ad valorem tax pledge at a rate anticipated at averaging 16.79% / \$100 of property valuation shown on the enclosed Debt Service Analysis (Attachment "D").

VIII. TOTAL TAX ASSESSMENT

Tax assessment information is provided under a separate cover.

IX. FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE DISTRICT

The District's Annual Financial Report for the period ending December 31, 2005 and the accompanying Management's Discussion and Analysis is provided for explanation of the District's financial condition (Attachment "E"). Financial demands on the District's system revenues led to a refunding of certain District debt in 2005 with the consent of its bondholder, the Texas Water Development Board, as authorized in TWDB Resolution 2005-04 (Attachment "F").

ATTACHMENT B

YEAR	SERVICE CONNECTIONS WITHIN DIST. BOUNDARIES	POPULATION FROM SERVICE CONNECTIONS	TOTAL HOMES WITHIN DIST. BOUNDARIES	POPULATION WITHIN DIST. BOUNDARIES
2000	2,575	7,725	4,875	13,725
2001	2,629	7,887	4,956	14,868
2002	2,684	8,052	5,040	15,120
2003	2,741	8,223	5,124	15,372
2004	2,798	8,394	5,210	15,630
2005	2,857	8,571	5,297	15,891
2006	2,920	8,760	5,420	16,260
2007	2,978	8,934	5,510	16,530
2008	3,041	9,123	5,603	16,809
2009	3,105	9,315	5,696	17,088
2010	3,170	9,510	5,792	17,376
2011	3,236	9,708	5,889	17,667
2012	3,304	9,912	5,989	17,967
2013	3,374	10,122	6,088	18,264
2014	3,445	10,335	6,190	18,570
2015	3,517	10,551	6,294	18,882
2016	3,591	10,773	6,399	19,197
2017	3,666	10,998	6,507	19,521
2018	3,743	11,229	6,616	19,848
2019	3,822	11,466	6,726	20,178
2020	3,902	11,706	6,839	20,517
2021	3,984	11,952	6,954	20,862
2022	4,068	12,204	7,070	21,210
2023	4,153	12,459	7,189	21,567
2024	4,240	12,720	7,309	21,927
2025	4,329	12,987	7,432	22,296
2026	4,420	13,260	7,556	22,668

ATTACHMENT C

A. CURRENT WATER AND SEWER RATES

1. WATER RATES

First 2,000 gallons	\$23.75
Each additional 1,000 gallons (2,000-8,000 gallons)	\$4.89
Each additional 1,000 gallons (Over 8,000 gallons)	\$5.18

2. SEWER RATES

First 2,000 gallons	\$19.75
Each additional 1,000 gallons (2,000-8,000 gallons)	\$4.25
Each additional 1,000 gallons (Over 8,000 gallons)	\$4.50

B. PROPOSED WATER AND SEWER RATES

A. WATER RATES

There are no changes in the current water rates anticipated at this time.

B. SEWER RATES

There are no changes in the current sewer rates anticipated at this time.

C. TAX RATES

The District currently has no plans to levy taxes.

**MAURICEVILLE SPECIAL UTILITY DISTRICT
TAX BONDS - DEBT SERVICE ANALYSIS**

AFTER REFUNDING WITH MAXIMUM TRANSFER FROM WATER & SEWER

Assessed Valuation 316,896,204
 2005 Debt Tax Rate \$ 95.0%
 Collection Rate 2806
 Number of Connections

Bonds dated: 10/1/07
 Bonds delivered: 11/15/07
 First Interest: 5/1/08

FYE 12/31	Tax Year	Assessed Value (a)	Assessment Growth Rate	Existing Tax Supported Debt Service	Series 2007 Tax & Revenue Bonds		Interest Rate	Interest (b)	Total	Total Debt Service	Less Water & Sewer Revenue (c)	Net Debt Service	Required Debt Tax Rate
					Principal	Interest (b)							
2006	2005	\$ 316,896,204		\$ -	\$ -	5.50%	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,385,000	209,300	0.0695
2007	2006	316,896,204	0.00%	-	470,000	5.50%	1,224,300	1,694,300	1,694,300	1,485,000	209,300	0.0695	
2008	2007	316,896,204	0.00%	-	495,000	5.50%	1,198,450	1,693,450	1,693,450	1,485,000	208,450	0.0692	
2009	2008	316,896,204	0.00%	-	520,000	5.50%	1,171,225	1,691,225	1,691,225	1,485,000	206,225	0.0685	
2010	2009	316,896,204	0.00%	-	550,000	5.50%	1,142,625	1,692,625	1,692,625	1,485,000	207,625	0.0690	
2011	2010	316,896,204	0.00%	-	580,000	5.50%	1,112,375	1,692,375	1,692,375	1,485,000	207,375	0.0689	
2012	2011	316,896,204	0.00%	-	610,000	5.50%	1,080,475	1,690,475	1,690,475	1,485,000	205,475	0.0683	
2013	2012	316,896,204	0.00%	-	645,000	5.50%	1,046,925	1,691,925	1,691,925	1,485,000	206,925	0.0687	
2014	2013	316,896,204	0.00%	-	680,000	5.50%	1,011,450	1,691,450	1,691,450	1,485,000	206,450	0.0686	
2015	2014	316,896,204	0.00%	-	720,000	5.50%	974,050	1,694,050	1,694,050	1,485,000	209,050	0.0694	
2016	2015	316,896,204	0.00%	-	760,000	5.50%	934,450	1,694,450	1,694,450	1,485,000	209,450	0.0696	
2017	2016	316,896,204	0.00%	-	800,000	5.50%	892,650	1,692,650	1,692,650	1,485,000	207,650	0.0690	
2018	2017	316,896,204	0.00%	-	845,000	5.50%	848,650	1,693,650	1,693,650	1,485,000	208,650	0.0693	
2019	2018	316,896,204	0.00%	-	890,000	5.50%	802,175	1,692,175	1,692,175	1,485,000	207,175	0.0688	
2020	2019	316,896,204	0.00%	-	940,000	5.50%	753,225	1,691,525	1,691,525	1,485,000	206,525	0.0692	
2021	2020	316,896,204	0.00%	-	990,000	5.50%	701,525	1,691,525	1,691,525	1,485,000	206,525	0.0686	
2022	2021	316,896,204	0.00%	-	1,045,000	5.50%	647,075	1,692,075	1,692,075	1,485,000	207,075	0.0688	
2023	2022	316,896,204	0.00%	-	1,105,000	5.50%	589,600	1,694,600	1,694,600	1,485,000	209,600	0.0696	
2024	2023	316,896,204	0.00%	-	1,165,000	5.50%	528,825	1,693,825	1,693,825	1,485,000	208,825	0.0694	
2025	2024	316,896,204	0.00%	-	1,225,000	5.50%	464,750	1,689,750	1,689,750	1,485,000	204,750	0.0680	
2026	2025	316,896,204	0.00%	-	1,295,000	5.50%	397,375	1,692,375	1,692,375	1,485,000	207,375	0.0689	
2027	2026	316,896,204	0.00%	-	1,365,000	5.50%	326,150	1,691,150	1,691,150	1,485,000	206,150	0.0685	
2028	2027	316,896,204	0.00%	-	1,440,000	5.50%	251,075	1,691,075	1,691,075	1,485,000	206,075	0.0685	
2029	2028	316,896,204	0.00%	-	1,520,000	5.50%	171,875	1,691,875	1,691,875	1,485,000	206,875	0.0687	
2030	2029	316,896,204	0.00%	-	1,605,000	5.50%	88,275	1,693,275	1,693,275	1,485,000	208,275	0.0692	
2031	2030	316,896,204	0.00%	-	2,260,000.00	5.50%	\$ 18,359,550	\$ 40,619,550	\$ 40,619,550	\$ 37,025,000	-	0.0689	
Total													

(a) Source: Mauriceville Special Utility District

(b) Based on 2005 audit of \$1,285,000 plus \$100,000 for 2006 and plus \$200,000 thereafter

Estimated Household Impact

Taxable Home Value	Average Tax Rate	Estimated Annual Taxes Due	Estimated Monthly Taxes Due
\$ 75,000	0.0689	\$ 51.69	\$ 4.31
100,000	0.0689	68.91	5.74
125,000	0.0689	86.14	7.18

**MAURICEVILLE SPECIAL UTILITY DISTRICT
TAX BONDS - DEBT SERVICE ANALYSIS**

AFTER REFUNDING - WITH PARTIAL TRANSFER FROM WATER & SEWER

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					Principal	Interest		Water & Sewer Revenue (b) (c)	Service		
2006	2005	\$ 316,896,204	0.00%	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.0991
2007	2006	316,896,204	0.00%	-	470,000	1,224,300	1,694,300	1,395,900	298,400	0.0988	
2008	2007	316,896,204	0.00%	-	495,000	1,198,450	1,693,450	1,395,900	297,550	0.0981	
2009	2008	316,896,204	0.00%	-	520,000	1,171,225	1,691,225	1,395,900	295,325	0.0986	
2010	2009	316,896,204	0.00%	-	550,000	1,142,625	1,692,625	1,395,900	296,725	0.0985	
2011	2010	316,896,204	0.00%	-	580,000	1,112,375	1,692,375	1,395,900	296,475	0.0978	
2012	2011	316,896,204	0.00%	-	610,000	1,080,475	1,690,475	1,395,900	294,575	0.0983	
2013	2012	316,896,204	0.00%	-	645,000	1,046,925	1,691,925	1,395,900	296,025	0.0982	
2014	2013	316,896,204	0.00%	-	680,000	1,011,450	1,691,450	1,395,900	295,550	0.0990	
2015	2014	316,896,204	0.00%	-	720,000	974,050	1,694,050	1,395,900	298,150	0.0992	
2016	2015	316,896,204	0.00%	-	760,000	934,450	1,694,450	1,395,900	298,550	0.0984	
2017	2016	316,896,204	0.00%	-	800,000	892,650	1,692,650	1,395,900	296,750	0.0988	
2018	2017	316,896,204	0.00%	-	845,000	848,650	1,693,650	1,395,900	297,750	0.0984	
2019	2018	316,896,204	0.00%	-	890,000	802,175	1,692,175	1,395,900	296,275	0.0988	
2020	2019	316,896,204	0.00%	-	940,000	753,225	1,693,225	1,395,900	297,325	0.0982	
2021	2020	316,896,204	0.00%	-	990,000	701,525	1,691,525	1,395,900	295,625	0.0984	
2022	2021	316,896,204	0.00%	-	1,045,000	647,075	1,692,075	1,395,900	296,175	0.0992	
2023	2022	316,896,204	0.00%	-	1,105,000	589,600	1,694,600	1,395,900	298,700	0.0990	
2024	2023	316,896,204	0.00%	-	1,165,000	528,825	1,693,825	1,395,900	297,925	0.0976	
2025	2024	316,896,204	0.00%	-	1,225,000	464,750	1,689,750	1,395,900	293,850	0.0985	
2026	2025	316,896,204	0.00%	-	1,295,000	397,375	1,692,375	1,395,900	296,475	0.0981	
2027	2026	316,896,204	0.00%	-	1,365,000	326,150	1,691,150	1,395,900	295,250	0.0980	
2028	2027	316,896,204	0.00%	-	1,440,000	251,075	1,691,075	1,395,900	295,175	0.0983	
2029	2028	316,896,204	0.00%	-	1,520,000	171,875	1,691,875	1,395,900	295,975	0.0988	
2030	2029	316,896,204	0.00%	-	1,605,000	88,275	1,693,275	1,395,900	297,375	0.0985	
2031	2030	316,896,204	0.00%	-	22,260,000	18,359,550	40,619,550	34,897,500	-	0.0985	
Total											

(a) Source: Mauriceville Special Utility District

(b) Assumes 94% of revenues are transferred to pay debt service

(c) Based on 2005 audit, plus \$100,000 for 2006 and plus \$200,000 thereafter

Estimated Household Impact

Taxable Home Value	Average Tax Rate	Estimated Annual Taxes Due	Estimated Monthly Taxes Due
\$ 75,000	0.0985	\$ 73.88	\$ 6.16
100,000	0.0985	98.51	8.21
125,000	0.0985	123.14	10.26

**MAURICEVILLE SPECIAL UTILITY DISTRICT
TAX BONDS - DEBT SERVICE ANALYSIS**

AFTER REFUNDING - WITH NO TRANSFER FROM WATER & SEWER

Assessed Valuation 316,896,204
Collection Rate 95.0%
Investment Earnings Rate 2.0%
Number of Connections 2806

Bonds dated: 10/1/07
Bonds delivered: 11/15/07
First Interest: 5/1/08

FYE 12/31	Tax Year	Assessed Value (e)	Assessment Growth Rate	Existing Tax Supported Debt Service	Series 2007 Tax & Revenue Bonds			Total	Less Water & Sewer Revenue	Net Debt Service	Required Debt Tax Rate
					Principal	Interest Rate	Interest				
2006	2005	\$ 316,896,204		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
2007	2006	316,896,204	0.00%	-	470,000	5.50%	1,224,300	1,694,300	-	1,694,300	0.5628
2008	2007	316,896,204	0.00%	-	495,000	5.50%	1,198,450	1,693,450	-	1,693,450	0.5625
2009	2008	316,896,204	0.00%	-	520,000	5.50%	1,171,225	1,691,225	-	1,691,225	0.5618
2010	2009	316,896,204	0.00%	-	550,000	5.50%	1,142,625	1,692,625	-	1,692,625	0.5622
2011	2010	316,896,204	0.00%	-	580,000	5.50%	1,112,375	1,692,375	-	1,692,375	0.5622
2012	2011	316,896,204	0.00%	-	610,000	5.50%	1,080,475	1,690,475	-	1,690,475	0.5615
2013	2012	316,896,204	0.00%	-	645,000	5.50%	1,046,925	1,691,925	-	1,691,925	0.5620
2014	2013	316,896,204	0.00%	-	680,000	5.50%	1,011,450	1,691,450	-	1,691,450	0.5618
2015	2014	316,896,204	0.00%	-	720,000	5.50%	974,050	1,694,050	-	1,694,050	0.5627
2016	2015	316,896,204	0.00%	-	760,000	5.50%	934,450	1,694,450	-	1,694,450	0.5628
2017	2016	316,896,204	0.00%	-	800,000	5.50%	892,650	1,692,650	-	1,692,650	0.5622
2018	2017	316,896,204	0.00%	-	845,000	5.50%	848,650	1,693,650	-	1,693,650	0.5626
2019	2018	316,896,204	0.00%	-	890,000	5.50%	802,175	1,692,175	-	1,692,175	0.5621
2020	2019	316,896,204	0.00%	-	940,000	5.50%	753,225	1,693,225	-	1,693,225	0.5624
2021	2020	316,896,204	0.00%	-	990,000	5.50%	701,525	1,691,525	-	1,691,525	0.5619
2022	2021	316,896,204	0.00%	-	1,045,000	5.50%	647,075	1,692,075	-	1,692,075	0.5621
2023	2022	316,896,204	0.00%	-	1,105,000	5.50%	589,600	1,694,600	-	1,694,600	0.5629
2024	2023	316,896,204	0.00%	-	1,165,000	5.50%	528,825	1,693,825	-	1,693,825	0.5626
2025	2024	316,896,204	0.00%	-	1,225,000	5.50%	464,750	1,689,750	-	1,689,750	0.5613
2026	2025	316,896,204	0.00%	-	1,295,000	5.50%	397,375	1,692,375	-	1,692,375	0.5622
2027	2026	316,896,204	0.00%	-	1,365,000	5.50%	326,150	1,691,150	-	1,691,150	0.5617
2028	2027	316,896,204	0.00%	-	1,440,000	5.50%	251,075	1,691,075	-	1,691,075	0.5617
2029	2028	316,896,204	0.00%	-	1,520,000	5.50%	171,875	1,691,875	-	1,691,875	0.5620
2030	2029	316,896,204	0.00%	-	1,605,000	5.50%	88,275	1,693,275	-	1,693,275	0.5625
2031	2030	316,896,204	0.00%	-	22,260,000		18,359,550	40,619,550	-	40,619,550	0.5622

(e) Source: Mauriceville Special Utility District
(f) Interest assumed at 5.5% for purposes of illustration.

Estimated Household Impact

Taxable Home Value	Average Tax Rate	Estimated Annual Taxes Due	Estimated Monthly Taxes Due
\$ 75,000	0.5622	\$ 421.64	\$ 35.14
100,000	0.5622	562.19	46.85
125,000	0.5622	702.74	58.56

TCEQ-OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CLERK
MC-105 Attn: Notice Team
PO Box 13087
Austin TX 78711-3087

Mauriceville SUD Conversion to MUD
TCBQ IC No. 09192006-D10 cco # 55463
Notice of District Petition - Conversion

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF Orange/Newton

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared

Tara Ford, who being by me duly sworn,
(name of newspaper representative)

deposes and says that (s)he is the Classified sales representative
(title of newspaper representative)

of the Orange Leader; that said newspaper is regularly
(name of newspaper)

published or circulated in Orange/Newton County/Countries,
(name of county or counties)

Texas; that the attached notice was published in said newspaper on the following dates:

April 22nd and 29th, 2007.
(date or dates of publication)

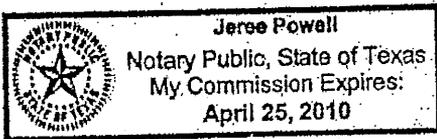
Tara Ford
Newspaper Representative's Signature

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 8th day of May,
2007, to certify which witness my hand and seal of office.

[Signature]
Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

Jerse Powell
Print or Type Name of Notary Public

(Seal)



My Commission Expires 4-25-10

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AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF Jasper

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared

Jimmy Galvan, who being by me duly sworn,
(name of newspaper representative)

deposes and says that (s)he is the Editor
(title of newspaper representative)

of the The Jasper Newsboy; that said newspaper is regularly
(name of newspaper)

published or circulated in Jasper County/Countries,
(name of county or counties)

Texas; that the attached notice was published in said newspaper on the following dates:

May 16, 2007 + May 23, 2007
(date or dates of publication)

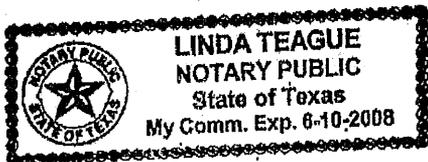
Jimmy Galvan
Newspaper Representative's Signature

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 23 day of May,
20 07, to certify which witness my hand and seal of office.

Linda Teague
Notary Public in and for the State of Texas

(Seal)

Linda Teague
Print or Type Name of Notary Public



My Commission Expires 6-10-08

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



NOTICE OF DISTRICT HEARING
TCEQ Docket No. 2006-1783-DIS

APPLICATION. The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) will conduct a hearing on an application for conversion (the "Application") of Mauriceville Special Utility District of Orange, Jasper, and Newton counties (the "District") to a municipal utility district operating under Texas Water Code Chapter 54. The Application was filed with the TCEQ and included a resolution by the District's board of directors. The TCEQ will conduct this hearing under the authority of Texas Water Code Chapters 49 and 54; 30 Texas Administrative Code Chapter 293; and the procedural rules of the TCEQ. The TCEQ will conduct the hearing at:

9:30 a.m., Wednesday, July 25, 2007
Building E, Room 2015
12100 Park 35 Circle
Austin, Texas

The District's conversion resolution is attached as Exhibit "A". The District's vicinity map is attached as Exhibit "B". The District was created on December 12, 1994, as a special utility district under Texas Water Code Chapter 65 and Article XVI, Section 59 of the Texas Constitution. The material filed with the Application states that conversion would serve the best interest of the District and would be a benefit to the land and property included in the District.

HEARING. As required by Texas Water Code Section 54.032 and 30 Texas Administrative Code Section 293.15, the above hearing regarding this application will be held no earlier than 14 days after notice of this hearing is published in a newspaper with general circulation in the county or counties in which the district is located. The purpose of this hearing is to provide all interested persons the opportunity to appear and offer testimony for or against the proposal contained in the resolution.

At the hearing, pursuant to Texas Water Code Section 54.033 the Commission will determine whether converting the current district into a municipal utility district that operates under Texas Water Code Chapter 54 would serve the best interest of the district and would be a benefit to the land and property included in the district, or, if there is any opposition to the proposed conversion, the Commission may refer the application to the State Office of Administrative Hearings for a contested case hearing on the application.

INFORMATION. For information regarding the date and time this application will be heard before the Commission, please submit written inquiries to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TCEQ, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087, or by phone at 1-512-239-3300. For information concerning the hearing process, please contact the Public Interest Counsel, MC 103, at the same address. For additional information, individual members of the general public may contact the Districts Review Team at 1-512-239-4691. General information regarding the TCEQ can be found at our web site at <www.tceq.state.tx.us>.

Si desea información en Español, puede llamar al 1-512-239-0200.

Persons with disabilities who plan to attend this hearing and who need special accommodations at the hearing should call the TCEQ Office of Public Assistance at 1-800-687-4040 or 1-800-RELAY-TX (TDD) at least one week prior to the hearing.

Issued: April 12, 2007

LaDonna Castañuela, Chief Clerk

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

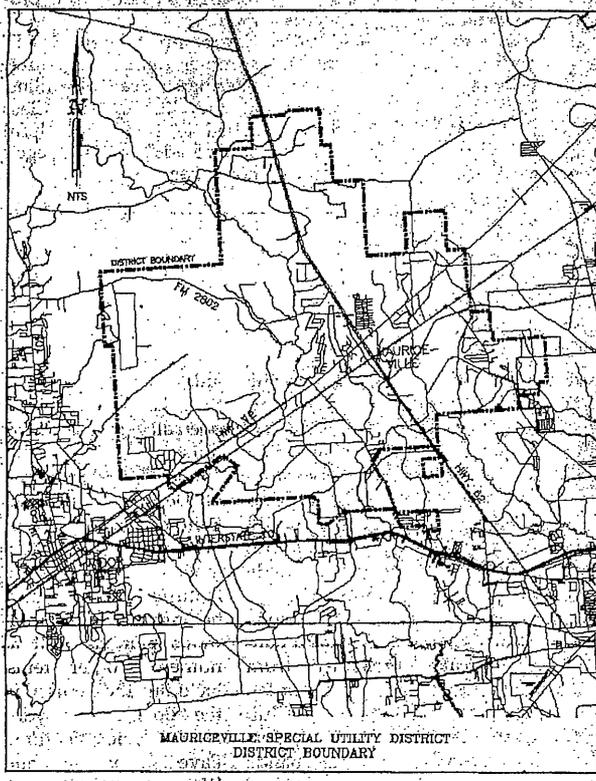


Exhibit A
RESOLUTION TO CONVERT TO A
MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF ORANGE BE IT KNOWN THAT:

On this the 20th day of June 2006, the Board of Directors of the MAURICEVILLE SPECIAL UTILITY DISTRICT, sitting in regular session, did make the following motion:

Motion by John M. Rayburn, Seconded by Herman F. Walton, that the MAURICEVILLE SPECIAL UTILITY DISTRICT having been created under Article XVI, Section 59, of the Texas Constitution, hereby desires to be converted to Municipal Utility District and a request is also hereby made for the commission to hold a hearing on the question of the conversion of the district.

The reason for this request is that based on the judgment of the Board of Directors of Mauriceville Special Utility District, conversion to a municipal utility district operating under this chapter and under Article XVI, Section 59, of the Texas Constitution would serve the best interest of the district and would be a benefit to the land and property included in the district.

Motion carried unanimously, as indicated by the signing below of the board of directors of the Mauriceville Special Utility District.

- Ted Williams, Board President
- Herman F. Walton, Vice-President
- William D. Hutto, Secretary
- Frank Abernathy, Board Member (absent-not voting)
- John M. Rayburn, Board Member

Jasper Manor Apartments is accepting applications for experienced maintenance man. Contact office at 384-8857. [5/23]

We are looking for experienced, dependable and responsible carpenters. Must have reliable transportation. Must be will...

is now hiring class A CDL drivers to haul woodchips in your local area. We offer great benefits that include: regular pay raises, vacation/holiday pay, safety awards, 401(k) and home daily! Call: 888-276-9923.

Fleetwood Transportation...

276-9923. [5/9-5/30]

Wanted: a real estate agent with at least two years experience in real estate and title work. The applicant needs to be computer savvy and proficient in Microsoft Word, Excel, MLS, and Zipforms. Needs to be...

Mon.-Fri., 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Hourly wages commensurate with experience. Please send resumé to P.O. Box 2503 or fax to 409-384-4299.

Newton I.S.D. Transportation is looking for bus drivers. Applications can be...

JORDAN HE...

Looking for Director to direct and coordinate service for a Competitive wages annually and comm Prefer five (5) year experience as Lince years of Home Health least two (2) years in live/supervise Must possess a w Medicare/Medicaid benefits, police Contact: Donna M. @ (409)489-022.

APARTMENT

1, 2, 3, & 4 Bed

- Rent based on
- Range & Refrig
- All Utilities paid
- Laundromat

Pineview
700 Polk
409-38

Looking for a new career with no experience needed, excellent benefits, competitive salary, paid training, and opportunity for advancement. Positions are available now! The GEO Group, Inc. Newton County Correctional Center is accepting applications for Correctional Officers. High school diploma or GED equivalent required. Must be at least 18 years of age and pass pre-employment requirements/criminal history investigation. Paid training in a correctional setting is done on-site. Starting salary is \$9/hr. Apply in person or contact the Human Resource office at the Newton County Correctional Center, Rt 3 Box 22, Newton TX. (409)379-3000. EOE, m/f/d/v. [5/23-6/13] TFN

5 Medical Help Wanted

Position available. Medical and sales experience helpful. Will train. Send resume via email to: cjl123@hotmail.com

Radiology PRN Radiology Tech. RN's & LVN's & CNA's needed for PRN pool, all shifts and weekends. RN-OB, FT, 7p-7a. RN-ED, FT, 10a - 10p. Christus Jasper Memorial Hospital is an equal opportunity employer. M/F/Vets. [5/23-TFN]

8 Business Opportunity

Established working restaurant in Jasper for sale. Call 936-465-2955. [5/30]

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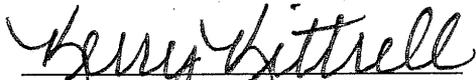
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THE STATE OF TEXAS }

COUNTY OF ORANGE }

I, Kerry Kittrell, City Secretary of the City of Orange, Texas, do hereby certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of Ordinance 2006-21, passed, approved and adopted by the City Council of the City of Orange at its Regular Meeting on September 12, 2006.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the City Seal of the City of Orange, Texas, this the 15th day of September 2006.



Kerry Kittrell, City Secretary

City of Orange
State of Texas

THE STATE OF TEXAS

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COUNTY OF ORANGE

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CERTIFICATE OF CITY SECRETARY

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I, the undersigned, City Secretary of the City of Orange, Texas, do hereby certify as follows:

1. That on the 22nd day of August, 2006, the City Council of the City of Orange, Texas, convened in regular session at its regular meeting place in the Courthouse, Orange, Texas; the duly constituted members of the Court being as follows:

W. Brown Claybar	Mayor
Theresa Adams Beauchamp	Councilmember
Jimmy Sims	Councilmember
Cynthia A. Jackson	Councilmember
Deborah Mitchell	Councilmember

all of said persons were present at said meeting. Among other business considered at said meeting, the attached Ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE, TEXAS, APPROVING THE MAURICEVILLE SPECIAL UTILITY DISTRICT PETITION AND RESOLUTION FOR CONVERSION TO A MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT AND RESOLVING OTHER MATTERS INCIDENT AND RELATED THERETO

was introduced and submitted to the Council for passage and adoption. After presentation and due consideration of the Ordinance, and, upon a motion by Mayor Pro Tem Jackson, seconded by Councilmember Beauchamp, the Ordinance was duly passed and adopted by the Court to be effective immediately by the following vote:

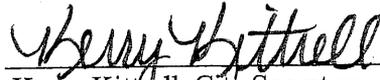
 5 voted "FOR" voted "AGAINST" abstained

all as shown in the official Minutes of the City for the meeting held on the aforesaid date.

2. That the attached Ordinance is a true and correct copy of the original on file in the official records of the City; the duly qualified and acting members of the City Council on the date of the aforesaid meeting are those persons shown above, and, according to the records of my office, each member of the Council was given actual notice of the time, place, and purpose of the meeting and had actual notice that the matter would be considered; and that said meeting, and deliberation of the aforesaid public business, was open to the public and written notice of said meeting, including the subject of the entitled Ordinance, was posted and given in advance thereof in compliance with the provisions of Texas Local Government Code, Chapter 551, as amended (the "Texas Open Meetings Law").

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name officially and affixed the seal of said City, this the 12th day of September, 2006.

CITY OF ORANGE, TEXAS



Kerry Kittell, City Secretary

AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE, TEXAS, APPROVING THE MAURICEVILLE SPECIAL UTILITY DISTRICT PETITION AND RESOLUTION FOR CONVERSION TO A MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT AND RESOLVING OTHER MATTERS INCIDENT AND RELATED THERETO

WHEREAS, the Mauriceville Special Utility District (the "District") has been created under Chapter 65, Texas Water Code, to provide a water supply and wastewater services to customers within the boundaries of the District;

WHEREAS, the Public Utility Commission issued its Certificate of Convenience and Necessity No. 11722 on July 14, 1982, to the predecessor to the District, and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (formerly known as the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission) (the "TCEQ") has issued the District its Certificate of Convenience and Necessity No. 11722;

WHEREAS, the service area of the District under its certificate of convenience and necessity has not been changed, amended or altered by the TCEQ;

WHEREAS, the District currently provides water and wastewater services to individuals, businesses and other commercial enterprises within its certificated area;

WHEREAS, a special district operating under Chapter 65 of the Texas Water Code and Article XVI §59 of the Texas Constitution may convert to a municipal utility district if it would serve the best interest of the District and would be a benefit to the land and property included within the District;

WHEREAS, the District has filed its Petition and Resolution to convert to a municipal utility district with the City Secretary for the City of Orange (the "City") as required by the regulations of the TCEQ;

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed the Petition for conversion to a municipal utility district submitted by the District; and

WHEREAS, it is found that the Petition for conversion to a municipal utility district states the desire and necessity for the District to be converted into a municipal utility district, and find that the Petition for conversion to a municipal utility district shows that conversion is feasible and practical and will benefit the residents, businesses and commercial interests within the certificated area of the District.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORANGE, TEXAS:

SECTION 1: That, in accordance with 31 Texas Administrative Code § 293.11(b)(5), a copy of the Petition for conversion to a municipal utility district and the Resolution of its Board of Directors has been submitted by the Mauriceville Special Utility District and has been received by the City Secretary for the City of Orange.

SECTION 2: That the District has requested the consent of the City for conversion to a municipal utility district.

SECTION 3: That the City finds that the conversion of the District to a municipal utility district would be in the best interests of the residents, businesses and others provided water or wastewater services within the certificated area of the District.

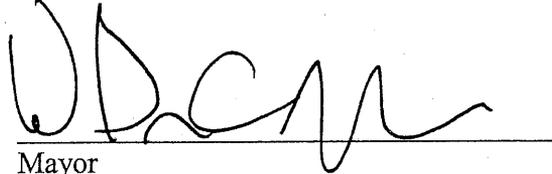
SECTION 4: That the City hereby consents to the conversion of the Mauriceville Special Utility District to the Mauriceville Municipal Utility District to have the same boundaries as described in TCEQ Certificate of Convenience and Necessity No. 11722 issued to the predecessor of the District on July 14, 1982, and subsequently amended or renewed on July 9, 1991, September 13, 1991 and November 9, 1994.

SECTION 5: That the City Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this Ordinance to the Clerk of the TCEQ and to the Secretary of the Board of Directors of the District stating the consent of the City of the conversion of the Mauriceville Special Utility District to the Mauriceville Municipal Utility District.

PASSED AND APPROVED, this the 22nd day of August 2006.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED, this the 12th day of September 2006.

CITY OF ORANGE, TEXAS

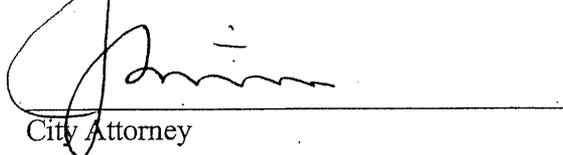


Mayor

ATTEST:


City Secretary

APPROVED:


City Attorney

(Seal)

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF VIDOR

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§ CERTIFICATE OF CITY SECRETARY
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I, the undersigned, City Secretary of the City of Vidor, Texas, do hereby certify as follows:

1. That on the 24th day of August, 2006, the City Council of the City of Vidor, Texas, convened in regular session at its regular meeting place in the Vidor Municipal Court, Vidor, Texas; the duly constituted members of the Court being as follows:

Joe Hopkins	Mayor
Don Eicher	Councilmember
Weldon LeBlanc	Councilmember
Mike Harris	Councilmember
Lanny Brown	Councilmember
Dale Madeley	Councilmember
Ray Long	Councilmember

all of said persons were present at said meeting, except Lanny Brown. Among other business considered at said meeting, the attached Ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VIDOR, TEXAS, APPROVING THE MAURICEVILLE SPECIAL UTILITY DISTRICT PETITION AND RESOLUTION FOR CONVERSION TO A MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT AND RESOLVING OTHER MATTERS INCIDENT AND RELATED THERETO AND WAIVING A SECOND READING

was introduced and submitted to the Council for passage and adoption. After presentation and due consideration of the Ordinance, and, upon a motion by Councilmember Long, seconded by Councilmember Eicher, the Ordinance was duly passed and adopted by the Court to be effective immediately by the following vote:

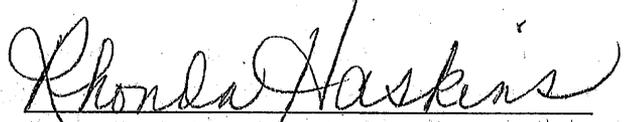
5 voted "FOR" 0 voted "AGAINST" 0 abstained

all as shown in the official Minutes of the City for the meeting held on the aforesaid date.

2. That the attached Ordinance is a true and correct copy of the original on file in the official records of the City; the duly qualified and acting members of the City Council on the date of the aforesaid meeting are those persons shown above, and, according to the records of my office, each member of the Council was given actual notice of the time, place, and purpose of the meeting and had actual notice that the matter would be considered; and that said meeting, and deliberation of the aforesaid public business, was open to the public and written notice of said meeting, including the subject of the entitled Ordinance, was posted and given in advance thereof in compliance with the provisions of Texas Local Government Code, Chapter 551, as amended (the "Texas Open Meetings Law").

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name officially and affixed the seal of said City, this the 24th day of August, 2006.

CITY OF VIDOR, TEXAS


Rhonda Haskins, City Secretary

ORDINANCE NO. 1058

AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VIDOR, TEXAS, APPROVING THE MAURICEVILLE SPECIAL UTILITY DISTRICT PETITION AND RESOLUTION FOR CONVERSION TO A MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT AND RESOLVING OTHER MATTERS INCIDENT AND RELATED THERETO AND WAIVING A SECOND READING

WHEREAS, the Mauriceville Special Utility District (the "District") has been created under Chapter 65, Texas Water Code, to provide a water supply and wastewater services to customers within the boundaries of the District;

WHEREAS, the Public Utility Commission issued its Certificate of Convenience and Necessity No. 11722 on July 14, 1982, to the predecessor to the District, and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (formerly known as the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission) (the "TCEQ") has issued the District its Certificate of Convenience and Necessity No. 11722;

WHEREAS, the service area of the District under its certificate of convenience and necessity has not been changed, amended or altered by the TCEQ;

WHEREAS, the District currently provides water and wastewater services to individuals, businesses and other commercial enterprises within its certificated area;

WHEREAS, a special district operating under Chapter 65 of the Texas Water Code and Article XVI §59 of the Texas Constitution may convert to a municipal utility district if it would serve the best interest of the District and would be a benefit to the land and property included within the District;

WHEREAS, the District has filed its Petition and Resolution to convert to a municipal utility district with the City Secretary for the City of Vidor (the "City") as required by the regulations of the TCEQ;

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed the Petition for conversion to a municipal utility district submitted by the District; and

WHEREAS, it is found that the Petition for conversion to a municipal utility district states the desire and necessity for the District to be converted into a municipal utility district, and find that the Petition for conversion to a municipal utility district shows that conversion is feasible and practical and will benefit the residents, businesses and commercial interests within the certificated area of the District.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF VIDOR, TEXAS:

SECTION 1: That, in accordance with 31 Texas Administrative Code § 293.11(b)(5), a copy of the Petition for conversion to a municipal utility district and the Resolution of its Board of Directors has been submitted by the Mauriceville Special Utility District and has been received by the City Secretary for the City of Vidor.

SECTION 2: That the District has requested the consent of the City for conversion to a municipal utility district.

SECTION 3: That the City finds that the conversion of the District to a municipal utility district would be in the best interests of the residents, businesses and others provided water or wastewater services within the certificated area of the District.

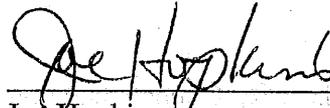
SECTION 4: That the City hereby consents to the conversion of the Mauriceville Special Utility District to the Mauriceville Municipal Utility District to have the same boundaries as described in TCEQ Certificate of Convenience and Necessity No. 11722 issued to the predecessor of the District on July 14, 1982, and subsequently amended or renewed on July 9, 1991, September 13, 1991 and November 9, 1994.

SECTION 5: That the City Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to forward a certified copy of this Ordinance to the Clerk of the TCEQ and to the Secretary of the Board of Directors of the District stating the consent of the City of the conversion of the Mauriceville Special Utility District to the Mauriceville Municipal Utility District.

SECTION 6: This Ordinance is hereby adopted and approved effective on this 24th day of August, 2006, and any requirements for reading of this Ordinance on two separate days has been dispensed with by the affirmative vote of all the Council members present and voting at its reading on August 24, 2006.

PASSED AND APPROVED, this the 24th day of August, 2006.

CITY OF VIDOR, TEXAS



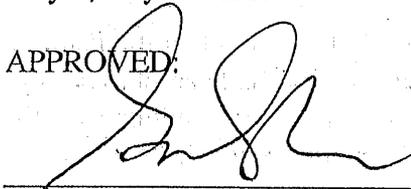
Joe Hopkins
Mayor, City of Vidor

ATTEST:



Rhonda Haskins, City Secretary

APPROVED:



Guy Goodson, City Attorney

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