



## Legislation Text

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**Department:** County Engineer

**Department Head/Elected Official:** Loyd Smith, P.E., Interim County Engineer

**Regular or Supplemental RCA:** Regular RCA

**Type of Request:** Executive Session

**Project ID (if applicable):** N/A

**Vendor/Entity Legal Name (if applicable):** N/A

**MWDBE Participation (if applicable):** N/A

**Request Summary (Agenda Caption):**

Request by the Office of the County Engineer for an Executive Session for discussion and possible action concerning the nomination of Loyd Smith, P.E., to the Texas Water Development Board's Region H Water Planning Committee (TWDB) to represent counties, to fill the seat vacated by John R. Blount, P.E., upon his retirement from Harris County.

**Background and Discussion:**

The Texas Water Development has established regional committees to address the planning required to ensure the state has adequate (drinking) water in the future; Harris County is located in Region H. John Blount, P.E., has served as a representative for counties within Region H for many years. Loyd Smith, P.E., has served as John's alternate to this committee at the time of John's retirement. The Committee will determine who John's replacement is amongst all the counties within its boundaries. This letter is to endorse Loyd as the candidate from Harris County. <http://regionhwater.org/about/planninggroup.html>

**Expected Impact:**

The support of the nomination of Loyd Smith, P.E., will provide additional credibility to Loyd's application materials for this position.

**Alternative Options:**

Court may choose to nominate a different individual to serve on the Committee, or Court may choose to pull Harris County out of participating in the committee.

**Alignment with Goal(s):**

- ☐ Justice and Safety  
☒ Economic Opportunity  
☒ Housing  
☒ Public Health  
☐ Transportation  
☐ Flooding  
☐ Environment  
☐ Governance and Customer Service

**Prior Court Action (if any):**

Date	Agenda Item #	Action Taken
12/1/2020		Loyd Smith, P.E. named as alternate to John R. Blount, P.E.

**Location:**

Address (if applicable):

Precinct(s): Countywide

Fiscal and Personnel Summary				
Service Name		FY 21-22	Estimates	
			FY 22	Next 3 FYs
<b>Incremental Expenditures</b>				
Labor Expenditures		-	-	-
Non-Labor Expenditures		-	-	-
<b>Total Incremental Expenditures</b>		-	-	-
<b>Funding Sources</b> (General Fund, PIC Fund, Debt or CP, Grants, or Other - Please Specify)				
Existing Budget		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
Total Current Budget		-	-	-
Additional Budget Requested		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
Total Additional Budget Requested		-	-	-
<b>Total Funding Sources</b>		-	-	-
<b>Personnel</b> (Fill out section only if requesting new PCNs)				
Current Position Count for Service		-	-	-

Additional Positions Requested	-	-	-
<b>Total Personnel</b>	-	-	-

**Anticipated Implementation Date:** October 12, 2021

**Emergency/Disaster Recovery Note:** Not an emergency, disaster, or COVID-19 related item

**Contact(s) name, title, department:** Loyd Smith, P.E., Interim County Engineer, Harris County Engineering Department

**Attachments (if applicable):** N/A