



Travis County W.C.I.D. - Point Venture

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October 2024 Newsletter

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Directors to Take Office November 21

Two directors take office on Travis County WCID - Point Venture's Board of Directors in the November 21, 2024 regular Board meeting. Incumbent Mr. Manuel Macias will continue as a member of the Board. Manuel was elected to his first term in 2020. He currently serves as the Board's Secretary and is on the Finance Committee.

Manuel has been a resident of Point Venture for six years. Manuel manages the entire wastewater collection system for the City of Austin where he has been employed for the last 15 years as Division Manager. He has over 45 years of experience in the water/wastewater industry including being the General Manager of a Water District for 10 years. During that time he managed three engineering firms in the construction of a \$100 million water and wastewater infrastructure project. He also has work with bond counsel and financial advisors in the issuance and management of over \$80 million in bonds.

He and his wife, Priscilla, have three sons and recently became "empty-nesters".

Manuel enjoys traveling with his wife, running marathons, volunteering for the Blood Bank and mentoring youth of incarcerated parents (Seedling Mentor Program) through Austin ISD.

Joining the Board for his first term is Mr. James Kleiss. James is originally from Oklahoma and earned a Bachelor of Science degree in chemical engineering from Oklahoma State University. James spent most of his 35 year career with Valero Energy Corporation working in engineering in several different refineries before being promoted into planning and economics at the corporate headquarters in San Antonio. James moved through several positions including crude supply director of strategic planning, director of biofuels supply and trading, and economics adviser.

James married Rhonda in 1987 after meeting on a blind date in Stillwater, Oklahoma. They have three children and two grandchildren.

James and Rhonda built their in Point Venture in 2020 and moved here permanently in 2023 after James retired.

District Tax Rate Approved, Remains Same As 2023

In the Board of Directors regular monthly meeting in September, the Board approved a tax rate for the water District at \$0.6722/\$100 taxable value. This rate is the same as 2023. Voting for the tax rate were President Steve Tabaska, Vice-President Annette Kikta, and Secretary Manuel Macias. Assistant Secretaries Mark Villemarette and Curtis Webber were not in attendance.

Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property. The change in the

taxable value of your property in relation to the change in the taxable value of all other property determines the distribution of the tax burden among all property owners.

Visit [Texas.gov/PropertyTaxes](https://www.texas.gov/PropertyTaxes) to find a link to your local property tax database on which you can easily access information regarding your property taxes, including information about proposed tax rates and scheduled public hearings of each entity that taxes your property.



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November Board Meeting - Thursday, Nov. 21, 2024

December Board Meeting - Thursday, Dec. 19, 2024

All meetings begin at 3:00 p.m. at the District Office

Wastewater Treatment Plant Construction Progress

The end of August and early September, Associated Construction Partners (ACP), the general contractor for the new Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP), used their time to continued installing new gravity sewer manholes and 8-inch sewer mains.

These manholes are all located at the WWTP construction site and identified as manholes A2, A3, A4 and C1 depending on to which line the manholes are connected.

The next few weeks, ACP will finish work on manholes and underground piping. Work at the WWTP site will transition to electrical with the sub-contractor, Alterman, being on-site for the majority of the remainder of 2024. ACP will begin work on rehabilitation of the Whispering Hollow Lift Station located at the corner of Whispering Hollow and Deckhouse Drives.

This area is near the POA park entrance. Please be cautious in the area since space is extremely tight. Work on the Whispering Hollow Lift Station is estimated to be three months.



Whispering Hollow Lift Station-Be Cautious During Construction



2024.09.03, Setting Manhole C1



2024.09.12, Installing Drop Connection for Manhole C1

Permanent mandatory watering schedule

Irrigate outdoors using automatic or manual irrigation systems or hose-end sprinklers no more than **TWICE per week** for up to **15 hours** and only during scheduled days and times as indicated below:

Residential

Odd number addresses: Wednesdays and Saturdays

Even number addresses: Thursdays and Sundays

Commercial (including large landscapes such as POA & Townhouse common areas) Tuesdays and Fridays