

RESOLUTION NO. 24-1990

RESOLUTION URGING THE TEXAS WATER COMMISSION TO GRANT PARTY STATUS TO WEST CENTRAL TEXAS MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT IN OPPOSITION TO SWEETWATER RESOURCES, INC.

WHEREAS, the City of Abilene, Texas is concerned about any threat to the quantity or quality of its municipal water supply; and

WHEREAS, The City is a member of the West Central Texas Municipal Water District (District); and

WHEREAS, The District was created, in large part, to assist the City in obtaining and maintaining a reliable municipal water supply; and

WHEREAS, the District acts on behalf of its member cities in obtaining and protecting municipal water supplies; and

WHEREAS, The City's water supply system is integrated with the system of the District; and

WHEREAS, The City's principal water supply reservoir, Fort Phantom Hill, is the first municipal water supply reservoir potentially to be impacted by any hazardous releases from the proposed facility; and

WHEREAS, The City is of the opinion that any activity which threatens the quality of its water supply, however remotely, should be carefully scrutinized; and

WHEREAS, The District sought party status to oppose the application by Sweetwater Resources, Inc. before the Texas Water Commission due to its concern over the threat to water quality; and

WHEREAS, the District in taking such a position is acting in the interest of the City of Abilene; and

WHEREAS, the District should be allowed to participate in the Texas Water Commission administrative proceeding because of its legislative duty to protect the quality of the water in the Clear Fork of the Brazos River; and

WHEREAS, the District was denied party status by the Commission's Examiner; and

WHEREAS, only by full participation in the proceeding, including prehearing discovery, can the District obtain sufficient knowledge to quantify the risks to its system, and therefore the risks to the population which it serves;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Abilene that:

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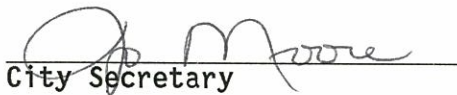
1. The City urges the Texas Water Commission to grant party status to the West Central Texas Municipal Water District in the matter of the Application of Sweetwater Resources, Inc. for Texas Water Commission Proposed Permit Nos. HW-502f49 and WDW-272; and
2. The Council directs that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Texas Water Commission, and to those persons and entities who attained party status in this proceeding.

PASSED AND APPROVED this the 12 day of July, 1990.



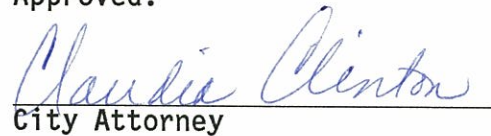
Mayor

Attest:



City Secretary

Approved:



City Attorney