

RESOLUTION NO. 215-2022

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ABILENE, TEXAS
SUPPORTING LEGISLATION EXPANDING THE ELIGIBILITY QUALIFICATIONS
TO SERVE ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THE WEST CENTRAL TEXAS
MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, the West Central Texas Municipal Water District (the “District”) has brought to the City of Abilene’s (the “City”) attention that the District desires to amend its enabling act, which created the District in 1955, by requesting the passage of a bill during the Regular Session of the 88th Texas Legislature to expand the eligibility qualifications to serve on the District’s Board of Directors;

WHEREAS, the City recognizes the importance of the District’s role in providing a source of water supply for municipal, domestic, and industrial uses to the City which the District does under the authority of Article XVI, Section 59 of the Texas Constitution, and pursuant to its enabling act and other applicable law;

WHEREAS, the City supports the District’s interest in amending its enabling act as broadening the eligibility qualifications to serve on the District’s Board of Directors will benefit the City by expanding the pool of eligible candidates that may be appointed by the City to serve as Directors ensuring interested and qualified Directors are making decisions in the City’s best interest;

WHEREAS, the City believes it would be helpful to the District if the Texas Legislature passed legislation broadening the eligibility qualifications for Directors to include individuals who receive water service from the District facilities and own property within the County in which the Member City that appoints him or her is located;


THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED that the City Council hereby agrees with the need for the legislation desired by the District to amend its enabling act by expanding the eligibility qualifications for Directors, and hereby voices its support of such legislation to the elected state legislators who represent the City – State Representative Stan Lambert and State Senator Charles Perry – at the State Legislature.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED this 1st day of December, 2022.

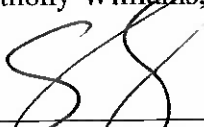
ATTEST:



Shawna Atkinson, City Secretary



Anthony Williams, Mayor



Stanley Smith, City Attorney