

**CITY OF SAN ANTONIO
OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER**

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SUBJECT: SAWS RATE RESTRUCTURE/ADJUSTMENTS AND CITY WATER POLICY STUDY

The Transportation, Technology and Utilities (TTU) Council Committee met on Wednesday October 7, 2015 to receive separate briefings on the proposed SAWS rate adjustments and the Texas A&M Institute of Renewable Natural Resources (IRNR) City of San Antonio Water Policy Study. The TTU Committee is chaired by Councilman Lopez and includes Councilmembers Saldana, Gonzales, Nirenberg and Krier.

Following the presentation and Committee discussion on the Water Policy Study item, Councilman Nirenberg made a motion that the City Council should consider the proposed SAWS rate restructure and proposed rate adjustments after the following events take place: the City receives the final Water Policy Study from the Texas A&M IRNR; the City Council receives a briefing on the Water Policy Study; and, the City Council provides a public comment opportunity on the Water Policy Study. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Gonzales and was affirmed by a three-to-two vote by the TTU Committee.

On the current City Council "A" and "B" Session Forecast schedule, City Council consideration of the SAWS rate restructure and proposed rate adjustments is placed under the October 29 City Council "A" Session. According to Dr. Lopez, Director of the Texas A&M IRNR, the Institute will be providing the final Water Policy Study to the City at the end of October.

The Wednesday, October 14 City Council "B" Session includes a SAWS briefing to the full City Council on the proposed SAWS rate adjustments. Mayor Taylor issued a statement on water policy measures yesterday expressing that during the October 14 City Council "B" Session the full City Council discuss the TTU Committee's October 7 recommendation and finalize the timeline for a vote on the SAWS rate restructure and rate adjustments that will occur no later than November 19.