RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS ASKED OF G-M WATER AT LAST APPEARANCE AT SABINE CO COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETING IN AUGUST

1. Has G-M approached SRA for possible funding help?

Answer: SRA was called next day after court appearance. Travis Williams answered the call, David Montagne was out of office. Short answer is: no plans for help.

2. Has G-M looked for other sources of grant funding?

Answer: Leslie Waxman, grant consultant was contacted. She was very clear that Sabine County would not be eligible for funding of this type due to being too far behind in "points" needed for consideration for this funding cycle. She explained that funding is on a bi-annual cycle, meaning that Sabine County receipt of available TGCBG funds would be at lease four (4) years from now—if awarded. She also stated that she had been in contact with Judge Melton and that the next ARP mitigation program money was too far in the future.

3. How many repairs already?

Answer: Vance Hoyle estimated over 100. The line across the bridge is approximately 2800' long. Line is original, constructed in late 1070's.

4. Total of G-M bank accounts?

Answer: Ready available cash for day to day operation on August 31, 2022 was \$783,760.91. All other cash: \$5,337,820 is pledged/restricted to current projects or held in mandated capital improvement, project escrow, or debt service reserve accounts.

- 5. At our last court appearance G-M reported that engineer estimates to replace the line on FM 276 bridge were \$480,728 for directional drill under Patroon Creek and \$403,978 to replace the bridge mounted pipeline and requested to commissioners' court to approve \$450,000 from presently held ARPA funds.
- 6. This project will meet all deadlines for obligating (deadline 12/31/2024) and spending (12-31-2026) according to Texas Dept of Emergency Mgt guidelines issued on July 13, 2021.
- G-M Water respectfully requests the court to take action as soon as possible.

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