

BRAZOS G

WATER PLANNING GROUP

VOTING MEMBER APPLICATION

(Solicitation for Public & Water Utilities Interest Categories)

Announced July 8, 2008

Please print or type applicable information and return by **5:00 PM, Wednesday, September 10, 2008** to:
 Brazos G RWPG, Attn: Trey Buzbee, Brazos River Authority, P.O. Box 7555, Waco, Texas 76714-7555;
 or via facsimile at (254) 761-3204; or via electronic email at info@brazosgwater.org.
 For questions, call Trey Buzbee at (254) 761-3168.

Full Name:	James H. Briggs						
Home Address:	328 Ashwood Lane	City:	Georgetown	State:	TX	Zip:	78628
Telephone:	Home: 512/863-5399	Business:	512/930-3889	Cell:	512/818-0090		
E-mail Address:	jhb@georgetowntx.org					Fax:	512/930-3672

Current Position/Title:	Assistant City Manager - Utility Ops	# years employed:	
Company Name:	City of Georgetown - Georgetown Utility Systems		
Company Address:	1130 E. 8th St		
	City:	Georgetown	State: TX Zip: 78626

Briefly describe why you wish to serve on the Brazos G RWPG:
 Give back to the basin / State the skills & abilities along with the knowledge that I have been blessed to achieve. At my point in my career, it is time that share these experiences and knowledge for those professionals, leaders that are going to be keeping the planning & resource development needs of Texas for our future generations.

Applicants may have qualifications that fit more than one Interest Category sought. Place an 'X' in the box(s) for each Interest Category that you want to be considered for:

If you marked both boxes, then place an 'X' in one of the boxes to the right of each Interest Category to state your preference.

X	1. Public	→	1 st Choice:		2 nd Choice:	X	No Preference:	
X	2. Water Utilities	→	1 st Choice:	X	2 nd Choice:		No Preference:	

If applicable, describe your qualifications and/or skills that represent the 'Public' Interest Category :
 As former City Councilman in the basin water is key to economic development & community identity. As current Assistant City Manager and key staff to elected officials sustained water resources are an integral part of community development. As an active farmer of our family farm understand the full range of water utilization between urban and rural needs it important to Public Policy develop

If applicable, describe your qualifications and/or skills that represent the 'Water Utilities' Interest Category :
 As a water professional I understand the critical need for long term water supply planning and development. Financing alternative federal legislation involvement and needs of those that fail to plan properly. Region "G" offers a global view of the demands for resources and the option to provide for those demand. It is an opportunity to assist those that need plan the most.

If applicable, describe your qualifications and/or skills that might represent other Interest Categories for future voting member vacancies that are not being solicited for in this application.
(see last page of this application for a list of definitions for all twelve (12) voting member Interest Categories)

As assistant City Manager I would be qualified in the municipal category. As a farmer and landowner in Robertson County I could qualify for agriculture but prefer not, and finally my skills in utilities was born to oversee water and electric operations where Murray an electric utility would qualify me for the Electric Sector.

If you could achieve one goal during your term as a Brazos G RWPG member, what would it be?

Establish a common objective adopted by all within the basin for long term needs of supply by area within the region and strategic plans adopted of how to fund, build, transmit those resources to the areas of need.

List current and/or past positions held on other boards or committees (professional or otherwise)

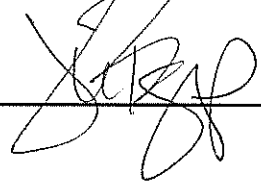
City Council - City of Cedar Park, President Georgetown Noon Lions Club, President Association of Wholesale Customers of LCRA, Secretary AWC, Treasurer AWC, VP - AWC, President Texas Public Power Association, Trustee First Presbyterian Church Georgetown

Checklist (✓) of Required Materials to be included in Applicant's Packet

✓	Application form
✓	Resume
✓	Support Letters (maximum of 6 recommended)

The Brazos G Regional Water Planning Group (RWPG) requests this information for the purpose of facilitating the review process of candidates to fill voting member vacancies within the Brazos G Regional Water Planning Group. Applications will be reviewed by the Brazos G Executive Committee. The Executive Committee will make a recommendation to the Brazos G Group as to which applicant should be appointed to fill the vacancy(s).

By signing the application below, you are requesting to be nominated for a voting member position on the Brazos G Regional Water Planning Group; and, understand the responsibilities associated with being a voting member, agree to abide by the Brazos G Bylaws, and have adequate time to serve if appointed.

Signature:  Date: 9-2-08

If not selected this time, keep me on the list for consideration for four (4) years.	YES →	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO →
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Work: (512) 930-3889
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James H. Briggs

Education 1976 – 1981 Texas A&M University College Station, Texas
Bachelors of Science Agricultural Engineering in Mechanical Systems

Professional experience 2000 – Present City of Georgetown Georgetown, Texas
Assistant City Manager/Utilities

- Manager of all utility operations providing leadership, management oversight and direct representation of utility operations to the chief governing body. Reporting directly to the City Manager and providing essential information, recommendations and long range perspectives to the City Council. Leadership duties included providing strategic direction to the organization and policy guidance. Management duties included direct representation of the organization to local, state and federal agencies with regards to utility/transportation issues.

2000 – 1993 City of Georgetown Georgetown, Texas
Director of Community-owned Utilities

- Division Head for the Division of Community-owned Utilities providing leadership and management oversight for the operations and expansion of a utility system comprising Water, Wastewater, Stormwater, Electricity and Street operations. Reporting directly to the City Manager and providing essential information and long range perspectives to the Executive Management Team. Management duties included Financial Operations, Human Resources, Long Range Planning, Resource Allocation and Policy Creation. Leadership duties included Teambuilding, Values Based Organization, Facilitation and Personal Leadership Development. Technical Skills required the ability to manage projects of large scale, provide expert testimony, acquire public rights-of way and easements, negotiate contract agreements, acquire water rights, estimate project cost and establish design guidelines.

1993 – 1989 City of Georgetown Georgetown, Texas
Director of Public Utilities

- Division Head for the Division of Public Utilities providing management oversight for the Division of Public Utilities comprising of Water, Wastewater and Electric Utility operations. Reporting directly to the City Manager and acting as support staff to the City Manager. Management duties included daily operations of Water and Wastewater Utility functions and short range planning. Financial management and daily operational management comprised the essential duties of the position. Technical duties included a higher degree of hands on technical operation along with easement acquisition, project management, subdivision plan review and design oversight.

1989 – 1986 City of Georgetown Georgetown, Texas
Staff Engineer (Public Works)

- Providing engineering support and project management to the Division of Public Works and reporting directly to the Director of Public Works. Primary duties included the project management and oversight of the construction of thirteen million dollars of new infrastructure and new subdivision growth. Supervisory duties included the direction of personnel within the Engineering Inspection Department of Public Works. Close coordination and support to the various Department Heads within the Department was a primary focus. Technical duties included materials testing, construction quality assurance, project financial review, grant and bond administration.

1986 – 1985 Braeburn Construction Company Austin, Texas
Assistant Project Superintendent

- Construction project site administrative support to the Project Superintendent. Primary functions included cost containment, payroll, workload scheduling, construction staking, materials estimating and subcontract negotiations. Duties were limited to the project completion schedule with continued service contingent upon additional projects.

1985 – 1984 White Construction Company Austin, Texas
Assistant Project Superintendent

- Construction project site administrative support to the Project Superintendent. Primary functions included cost containment, payroll, workload scheduling, construction staking, materials estimating, materials procurement and subcontract negotiations.

1984 – 1981 Braeburn Construction Company Houston, Texas

Field Engineer

- Construction project site staking and layout for the construction of commercial strip centers and multistory office complexes. Duties included survey operations, carpentry, tiltwall layout and coordination with design engineers and consultants. Required direct supervision of the project superintendent.

1981 – 1979 City of Bryan

Bryan, Texas

Engineering Field Party Chief

- Providing survey information for the City of Bryan Engineering Department. Knowledge of survey techniques and engineering design was required for the responsibilities of this position. Reporting directly to the Assistant City Engineer and supervising a small crew of three field party staff members. Responsible for the collection of accurate data and the transmittal of that data accurately to the drafting department.

Professional memberships

American Water Works Association, American Public Works Association, American Public Power Association, Texas Water Utilities Association, Texas Municipal Utilities Association, Texas Water Conservation Association, Texas Public Power Association-Board of Directors, LCRA Association of Wholesale Customers-Board of Directors.

Community activities

Georgetown Noon Lions Club (Past President), Lions Eye Bank Director, Past Board Member with Georgetown Youth Baseball, First Presbyterian Church, Georgetown Project, Board of Directors of the Central Texas Eye Bank, Member of the Texas Aggie Band Association, Association of Former Students, Corps of Cadets Association, President Georgetown Lady Dribblers and Former Cedar Park City Councilmember

References

Available upon Request

Objective

To apply the talents that I have developed in Organizational Leadership and Management within an environment conducive to values based objectives.

Accreditations

Public Power Executive, Certified Water Operator

Interests and activities

Golf, Fishing, Hunting and Family Recreation

Awards received

1991 EPA Region-6 Water Excellence Award, **1992** Texas Public Power System Achievement Award, **1993** System Achievement Award (Association of Wholesale Customers of LCRA), **1993** EPA Region-6 Wastewater Excellence Award, **1995** National Planning Award for Comprehensive Planning in a Small Jurisdiction, **1995** American Public Power Association National Safety Award, **1996** EPA National Second Place Wastewater Operations Award, **1996** Texas Public Power System Achievement Award, **1998** EPA Region-6 Water Excellence Award, **1999** G.I.V.E. Board Project of the Year for "A Safe Place" Program and **1999** Texas Municipal Utility of the Year (Texas Municipal Utility Association), **2000** American Public Power Association National Safety Award. **2001** Texas Section AWWA Conservation/Reuse Award, **2003** George Rogers Public Service Award-Association of Wholesale Customers LCRA, **2003** American Public Power Association Community Service Award for "A Safe Place" Program, **2005** Texas Public Power Association Honor Roll Award.

Speaking Engagements

Strategic Planning in Nashville, TN for American Public Power Association (APPA)

Performance Measurement in Jacksonville, FL for American Public Power Association (APPA)

Changing Your Organization to Stay Competitive in Today's Changing Market in Odessa, TX

Privatization Pros and Cons in Atlanta, GA for American Public Power Association (APPA)

Privatization Pros and Cons in Austin, TX for Texas Water Utility Association

New Ethical Considerations Associated with Design/Build Construction and Operational Issues in a Panel Discussion. This was a joint meeting of the Water Environmental Federation (WEF) and the American Water Works Association (AWWA).

New Innovation in Customer Service Programs and Service Delivery, Texas Public Power Association (TPPA), San Antonio, Texas.



August 29, 2008

Brazos G RWPG Executive Committee
c/o: Mr. Trey Buzbee
Brazos River Authority
P.O. Box 7555
Waco, Texas 76714-7555

Re: Letter of Recommendation for the Brazos Region G Water Planning Group

Dear Mr. Buzbee:

This letter is a recommendation for Mr. Jim Briggs to fill one of the open positions on the Region G Water Planning Group. Mr. Briggs' resume represents his qualifications to serve the planning group in this capacity.

Mr. Briggs has been involved in regional water issues for more than 22 years. He has received awards for his involvement in and promotion of water system excellence and water conservation efforts and has been actively involved in other water related issues for many years. Jim has previously served as the Director of Community Owned Utilities and has served as the Assistant City Manager for Utility Operations since 2000. Jim has a thorough understanding of the water issues the region faces.

I would highly recommend Mr. Briggs for a position with the Region G Water Planning Group and respectfully request that you give him every consideration for this position. I believe he will be an asset to this group.

Sincerely,

George G. Garver
Mayor, City of Georgetown
GGG/lw



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September 4, 2008

Brazos G RWPG Executive Committee
C/o Trey Buzbee
Brazos River Authority
P.O. Box 7555
Waco, Texas 76714-7555

Re: Application of Jim Briggs

Dear Mr. Buzbee,

Mr. Jim Briggs, Assistant City Manager for Georgetown, Texas, has informed me that he desires to serve as a voting member of the Brazos G Water Planning Group. I wholeheartedly support his efforts in that regard based on his vast experience in dealing with water issues on nearly a daily basis, his ability to work well with others in a team building environment, and his vast knowledge of the water challenges facing our region and Texas. Please allow me to further elaborate.

From his extensive resume' it is clear that Mr. Briggs has over 20 years of direct hands-on experience with water and wastewater processes. His knowledge base also includes the construction of public works. He is a member of numerous professional water associations, and he has the demonstrated ability to work collaboratively with others, including diverse view points. I have observed him in numerous settings and have always found him to work for the public good and with a very dedicated and professional demeanor. The Brazos G Group would be well-served in selecting Mr. Briggs as a voting member.

I thank you for your kind consideration of his application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dan Gattis", written in a cursive style.

Dan Gattis
State Representative