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Chief Communications and Chief Executive Officer

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Headwaters at the Comal

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Discuss and Consider Approval for the Headwaters at the Comal

Board of Directors to Appoint Jordan Matney as a Class C Board

Member of the Headwaters at the Comal

## **BACKGROUND**

The Headwaters at the Comal ("Headwaters"), New Braunfels Utilities' ("NBU") conservation legacy project, was established as a 501(c)(3) organization in 2017. The bylaws of the Headwaters allow for seven executive board members (two NBU employees, appointed by the CEO of NBU, two members of NBU's Board of Trustees, appointed by the NBU Board of Trustees, and three community members, appointed by the NBU Board of Trustees). There is currently a Class C open position on the Headwaters board. Adding a community member to the Headwaters board is essential, especially as it moves forward with its master plan. On Tuesday, April 27, 2021, the Headwaters board unanimously agreed to nominate Jordan Matney as a Class C board member for the NBU Board of Trustees to consider for approval.

Jordan Matney currently serves as the Assistant City Manager for the City of New Braunfels overseeing Public Works, Planning and Development Services, Economic and Community Development, Information Technology, the Airport, and the City Secretary's Office. She is actively involved in the New Braunfels community. Prior to her service to the City of New Braunfels, Jordan held positions and was instrumental in city government in Live Oak and the cities of Portland and Fort Worth.

Current members of Headwaters board include; NBU Chief Executive Officer Ian Taylor, NBU Chief Financial Officer Dawn Schriewer, NBU Board Trustee Vice President Dr. Judith Hoffmann, NBU Board Trustee Wayne Peters, and community members Leonard Dougal, an environmental lawyer and partner with Jackson Walker, LLP, and Richard McDonald, the Director of Environmental Affairs at HEB.

The Headwaters board exists to establish and accept donations and manage the project's research, education, outreach, and programming efforts. The Headwaters board is tasked with leading fundraising efforts for the capital campaign, currently focusing on Phase II funding.

## None. LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN Be a Responsible Steward of Natural Resources

## **EXHIBITS**

- 1. Bylaws for the Headwaters at the Comal
- 2. Brief Bio of Jordan Matney