



Meeting Date: March 26, 2026 **Agenda Type:** Consent Items for Action

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Chief Operations Officer Chief Executive Officer

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Authorize the CEO or His Designee to Negotiate and Execute a Professional Services Agreement with Garver, LLC for the Design of the Walnut Heights Wastewater Main Improvements Project

BACKGROUND

This Professional Services Agreement (the “Agreement”) with Garver, LLC (“Garver”) provides project management, preliminary engineering design, final design, field services, permitting and coordination with stakeholders, bid phase services, and construction phase services for the New Braunfels Utilities (“NBU”) Walnut Heights Wastewater Main Improvements Project (the “Project”). The Project is anticipated to replace an existing 12-inch and 16-inch sewer main with approximately 5,500 linear feet of 18-inch sewer main and will increase wastewater capacity within the South Kuehler Basin.

NBU staff requests that the Board of Trustees approve the Agreement with Garver for the Project.

This item is being presented to the Board because the total amount of the Agreement exceeds \$500,000.00.

Upon completion of the final design, NBU staff will solicit a construction contract and anticipate bringing the construction contract to the Board for approval in September 2027. NBU staff plans to begin construction in October 2027 and complete construction by September 2028.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The total financial impact for the Agreement with Garver for the Project is \$1,187,364.00, including supplemental services. The Project is budgeted within the Fiscal Year 2026 through Fiscal Year 2029 NBU Board approved Capital Improvements Projects Budget.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Infrastructure and Technology

EXHIBITS

1. Professional Services Agreement with Garver