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Bastrop County Clerk**NOTICE OF CONTRACT FOR CONTINGENT FEE LEGAL SERVICES**

Notice is hereby given that, at the organizational meeting of the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Garfield Municipal Utility District No. 1 (the "District"), which will be held at **3:00 p.m. Friday, May 9, 2025** within the boundaries of the District at 6402 FM 535, Cedar Creek, Texas 78612, the Board will consider, among other things, a Proposal for Legal Services (the "Proposal") from Armbrust & Brown, PLLC ("A&B"), pursuant to which A&B proposes to act as outside general counsel to the District and provide, among other general counsel legal services, certain general counsel legal services related to the issuance of public securities by the District on a contingent fee basis.

In accordance with Texas Government Code § 2254.1036(a)(1), the District hereby provides public notice of the following:

A. It is anticipated that the District will issue public securities from time-to-time in the future and, due to the complexities of the legal requirements related to the issuance of public securities, there is a substantial need to engage attorneys to provide legal services related to the issuance of public securities by the District;

B. A&B is a well-qualified law firm that has provided and continues to provide general counsel legal services related to the issuance of public securities to over 100 special districts similar to the District;

C. A&B has no relationship with the District or its Board members; however, A&B was engaged by an owner of land within the District to assist in the creation of the District;

D. Legal services related to the issuance of public securities cannot be adequately performed by in-house attorneys or supporting personnel of the District because the District has no in-house attorneys or supporting personnel;

E. Legal services related to the issuance of public securities cannot be reasonably obtained from attorneys under a contract providing only for the payment of hourly fees without contingency because, due to the nature of the issuance of public securities, it is industry standard for competent, qualified, and experienced attorneys providing legal services related to the issuance of public securities to provide such services contingent upon and payable solely out of the proceeds of any public securities issued in the future;

F. It is in the best interests of the District's residents, taxpayers, and/or ratepayers for the District to enter into a contract that provides for legal services related to the issuance of public securities on a contingent fee basis because this will allow the total costs related to each issuance to be known with better certainty before the public securities are issued, it will allow the size of each issuance of public securities to be determined with greater certainty, and it will allow the District to not incur any costs for legal services related to an issuance of public securities if it is discontinued for any reason prior to actual issuance of the public securities.