By:  Goodwin, Bucy (Senate Sponsor - Watson) H.B. No. 4671

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COMMITTEE VOTE

                    Yea Nay Absent  PNV

Lucio                X

Schwertner           X

Alvarado             X

Campbell             X

Fallon               X

Menéndez             X

Nichols              X

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the powers and duties of the Ranch at Cypress Creek Municipal Utility District No. 1.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1.  Chapter 21, Acts of the 71st Legislature, 6th Called Session, 1990, is amended by amending Section 5 and adding Sections 6B, 6C, and 6D to read as follows:

Sec. 5.  FINDING OF BENEFIT. (a) All of the land and other property included within the boundaries of the district will be benefited by the works and projects that are to be accomplished by the district under powers conferred by Article XVI, Section 59, of the Texas Constitution. The district is created to serve a public use and benefit.

(b)  The district is created to accomplish the purposes of:

(1)  a municipal utility district and a water control and improvement district as provided by general law and Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution; and

(2)  Section 52, Article III, Texas Constitution, that relate to the construction, acquisition, improvement, operation, or maintenance of macadamized, graveled, or paved roads, or improvements, including storm drainage, in aid of those roads.

Sec. 6B.  AUTHORITY FOR ROAD PROJECTS. Under Section 52, Article III, Texas Constitution, the district may design, acquire, construct, finance, improve, operate, maintain, and convey to this state, a county, or a municipality for operation and maintenance macadamized, graveled, or paved roads, or improvements, including storm drainage, in aid of those roads.

Sec. 6C.  ROAD STANDARDS AND REQUIREMENTS. (a) A road project must meet all applicable construction standards, zoning and subdivision requirements, and regulations of each municipality in whose corporate limits or extraterritorial jurisdiction the road project is located.

(b)  If a road project is not located in the corporate limits or extraterritorial jurisdiction of a municipality, the road project must meet all applicable construction standards, subdivision requirements, and regulations of each county in which the road project is located.

(c)  If the state will maintain and operate the road, the Texas Transportation Commission must approve the plans and specifications of the road project.

Sec. 6D.  APPOINTMENT OF ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE. (a) In order to carry out the provisions of Section 54.237, Water Code, except as provided by Subsection (b), the district may appoint an architectural committee for a subdivision located wholly inside the district that does not have an architectural committee or an area of the district not located in a subdivision.

(b)  The district may not appoint an architectural committee for a subdivision for which the governing provisions prohibit the appointment of an architectural committee by the district or otherwise.

SECTION 2.  (a) The legal notice of the intention to introduce this Act, setting forth the general substance of this Act, has been published as provided by law, and the notice and a copy of this Act have been furnished to all persons, agencies, officials, or entities to which they are required to be furnished under Section 59, Article XVI, Texas Constitution, and Chapter 313, Government Code.

(b)  The governor, one of the required recipients, has submitted the notice and Act to the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

(c)  The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has filed its recommendations relating to this Act with the governor, the lieutenant governor, and the speaker of the house of representatives within the required time.

(d)  All requirements of the constitution and laws of this state and the rules and procedures of the legislature with respect to the notice, introduction, and passage of this Act are fulfilled and accomplished.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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