


PECAN GROVE MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT



STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS FROM
ODYSSEY ENGINEERING
GROUP, LLC
FOR CONSULTING ENGINEERING SERVICES

November 30, 2017

Board of Directors
Pecan Grove Municipal Utility District
c/o Allen Boone Humphries Robinson LLP
3200 Southwest Freeway, Suite 2600
Houston, Texas 77027

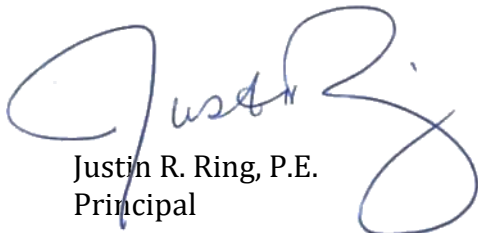
Re: Statement of Qualifications
For Consulting Engineering Services

Dear Directors:

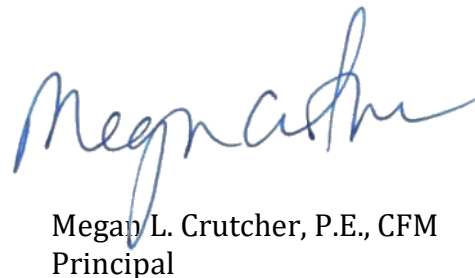
Thank you very much for requesting a Statement of Qualifications from Odyssey Engineering Group, LLC (Odyssey) for consulting engineering services to serve Pecan Grove Municipal Utility District (District). Enclosed please find the material about Odyssey that we believe is pertinent for you to know about us.

We are honored that you are considering our small, but dedicated, firm as your consulting engineer. The commitment and attention that you will get from us cannot be equaled by any other firm. We look forward to working with you and supporting your continual efforts to serve your community.

Sincerely,



Justin R. Ring, P.E.
Principal



Megan L. Crutcher, P.E., CFM
Principal



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Our Firm

Odyssey Engineering Group, LLC

Odyssey Engineering Group, LLC (Odyssey) was founded by Justin R. Ring, P.E. and Megan L. Crutcher, P.E., CFM in January 2016. After working together at another engineering firm, they had the desire to create a firm focused on maintaining integrity for both our clients and our employees. They wanted to create a company that focused on building communities and supporting residents rather than simply “engineering developments.” It Rather than be simply being a “hired consultant,” each of them desire to become a part of the community and to integrate themselves with the residents that they serve.

Despite being a small engineering company, we have relationships in the community and industry that run deep. We have been hired by six special districts, each in varying stages. The Districts that have selected Odyssey to be their consulting engineer are:

West Fort Bend Management District

Acreage: 17,472 acres

Overlapping Jurisdictions:

- City of Richmond
- City of Rosenberg
- Fort Bend County
- Texas Department of Transportation

Fort Bend County MUD 162 (Sunrise Meadows)

Acreage: 305 acres

Connections Currently/Build Out: 1,100 ESFCs/1,100 ESFCs

Facilities:

- Water Plant
- Remote Water Well
- Wastewater Treatment Facility
- Three Lift Stations

Harris County MUD 399 (Eagle Landing)

Acreage: 239 acres

Connections Currently/Build Out: 725 ESFCs/ 1100 ESFCs

Facilities: None

Participates in HCMUD 189 WWTP & HCMUD 200 Water Production Facilities



Fort Bend County MUD 145 (Rio Vista)

Acreage: 128 acres

Connections Currently/Build Out: 430 ESFCs/465 ESFCs

Facilities: None

Participates in City of Richmond WWTP & Water Production Facilities

Fort Bend County MUD 158 (River Run at the Brazos/Rivers Mist)

Acreage: 217 acres

Connections Currently/Build Out: 700 ESFCs/750 ESFCs

Facilities:

- Lift Station

Participates in FBCMUD 152 WWTP & City of Rosenberg Water Production Facilities

Fort Bend County MUD 206 (Camellia)

Acreage: 180 acres

Connections Currently/Build Out: 163 ESFCs/1,400 ESFCs

Facilities:

- Water Plant
- Wastewater Treatment Facility
- One Lift Station

Odyssey recognizes that it is imperative that the engineer works closely with the Board of Directors as well as the Operator on matters related to the safety and well-being of the community that they serve and to ensure that the District is functioning at optimum efficiency to serve the community. Communication is the first priority. Ms. Crutcher has a history of working with EDP and Mr. Mike Ammel on master plan projects. The team work that was evident between them ensured that the residents of the Towne Lake master planned community received the best and most efficiently run system. Odyssey's open communication with both the office and the field representatives of your District will ensure that any areas of concern will be handled quickly and efficiently and that you can feel confident that you are taking care of your District and your constituents both now and in the future.

Our small size works to our client's advantage. While our competitors offer many services under a single roof, such as surveying or landscape architecture, our size allows us to work with firms in the Houston area that offer those services as their specialty. When you hire Odyssey you get the best project managers and engineers in Houston **AND** the best surveyors **AND** the best landscape architects or geotechnical services or whatever



expertise the project requires, rather than utilizing an in-house service simply because the engineering firm “offers it.” Odyssey is still **YOUR** engineer and **YOUR** point of contact; however, when a specialty project arises, Odyssey directly contracts with these specialty firms to provide their expertise to your project. We have executed master service agreements with dozens of sub-consultants (which we affectionately call “Out of Office Departments”) so that we are ready to engage these experts to serve the needs of Pecan Grove Municipal Utility District. Odyssey is still held responsible to you and we will never make excuses because of our sub-consultants. We hold them to a high standard just as you hold Odyssey to a high standard. It is our experience that using our “Out of Office Departments” results in a better service, at a better cost, with a quicker timetable than utilizing the “Interoffice Department” of a larger firm. We can pass these savings along to you on specialty projects. Not to mention that our clients are not paying for the overhead of services for which they are not using on a monthly basis.

One of our primary goals at Odyssey is to make our clients feel like we are a part of your community and you are part of our family. We accomplish this through our Core Philosophies and Core Qualities that you will find enclosed. These are the tenants on which Odyssey Engineering Group is founded and we make our business decisions with those in mind.

We look forward to the opportunity to serve you and becoming a part of your community.

Our Core Philosophies

These are the essential philosophies that are at the core of what Odyssey Engineering Group is built upon.

Integrity Driven

We move through all aspects of our work with an integrity focused mindset. As said by business man Henry Kravis “If you do not have integrity, you have nothing. You can’t buy it. You can have all the money in the world, but if you are not a moral or ethical person, you really have nothing.” Mistakes will always happen, and integrity allows you to admit the mistakes and work with the team to fix it and to prevent it from happening in the future. Trust is built on integrity.

Team Centered

The Principals of Odyssey believe that a team centered philosophy is paramount to a successful project. Open communication, team work, collaboration and follow-through are some key components of a team centered model. Everyone works for the betterment of the project and each other and not for the betterment of themselves.

Communication Focused

Communicate, communicate, communicate! A team is only as effective as the person who communicates the least. Effective, thorough and frequent communication allows projects to run efficiently and helps eliminate unnecessary costs, time delays and headaches. Odyssey believes that internal communication is just as important as communication with clients and governing agencies. Open communication and responsiveness to fellow project members is the number one way to keep a project moving in a positive direction.

Pay it Forward

Odyssey truly believes in paying it forward to the employees and communities in which we are involved. This includes on the job training for employees, internal leadership development courses and allowing for flexible work hours for employees. In addition, we emphasis community involvement in local organizations, participation in state wide organizations, mentorship for young engineers, and participation in volunteering opportunities throughout the community. We will strive to increase our level of involvement in all these activities as we continue to grow and evolve.



Our Core Qualities

These qualities are emphasized at Odyssey in an effort to achieve our core philosophies.

Innovation

Transparency

Conscious Decision Making

Accountability

Professionalism

Work/Life Balance

Positive Feedback

Resourcefulness

Discipline

Leadership

Encouragement

Sustainability

Perseverance

Strive for Excellence





Justin R. Ring, P.E.

Principal

Focusing on the people of the industry as well as the “numbers” of the project have allowed Justin R. Ring, P.E. to become successful in the municipal utility district and land development community of the Greater Houston area. Graduating from Texas A&M University with a civil engineering degree, Mr. Ring has worked with land development and special district projects for approaching twenty years.



Justin has worked with municipal utility districts throughout the Houston region, serving as consultant engineer for numerous utility districts, including Harris County MUDs 399 and 220, Montgomery County MUD 138, and Fort Bend County MUDs 25, 144, 145, 158, 162, and 206. He has worked for several cities and other municipalities, including City of Houston Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone No. 1, Cities of Sugar Land, Richmond, and Rosenberg, and Harris and Fort Bend Counties.

As part of his commitment to the municipal utility district community, Mr. Ring served on the Board of Trustees for the Association of Water Board of Directors for five years. He served in many roles with the Association, including serving as the President of the Association from 2013 through 2014 and as Immediate Past President from 2014 until June 2016. During his time with the Association, he worked with industry experts to promote and defend utility districts with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) and State and Local legislators and agencies.

While dedication to his projects and clients is a large part of his success, Mr. Ring also builds relationships in his industry and community by working in neighborhood and civic organizations. Justin helped to create an Infrastructure Division of the Central Fort Bend Chamber Alliance (then Richmond-Rosenberg Chamber of Commerce) and served as its chair for seven years, earning Committee Member of the Year award from the Chamber in 2008 and 2012. Other community organizations that Justin currently serves on include Fort Bend County Levy Improvement District No. 11 (President), First United Methodist Church Missouri City (Lay Leader) and Chancel Choir (President), and the Friends of the Arts, which is a community fine arts support organization (Chairman).

Through his work in the profession and community, Justin has been recognized by publications and media as a leader in his industry. In 2012, Mr. Ring was chosen as a “Rising Star Under 40” by Fort Bend Star newspaper. The Houston Business Journal nominated Mr. Ring in 2014 as a Top 40 Professional Under 40. Finally, Justin was recognized by Engineering News Record as one of the



Top 20 Engineers under 40 in the states of Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana. Additionally, he has been a feature guest on multiple National Public Radio “Houston Matters” shows discussing several topics related to engineering in the Greater Houston region.

Justin sees that his career path has been successful, but he would be the first to tell you that the foundation of his success has come from the home. He and his wife, Erin, along with their two children, Audrey and Grayson, live in the Greatwood development outside of Sugar Land, Texas. It is the roots that he has put down in the community, with his family and neighbors, which support him in his success.



Megan L. Crutcher, P.E., CFM

Principal

Ms. Crutcher's passion for civil engineering began with an interest in Hydrology and Hydraulics and a desire to understand this aspect of civil engineering. After graduating from Texas Tech University, Megan started her engineering career in hydraulics and hydrology analysis. Through her work in this area of engineering she developed her analytical, detail oriented and outside-the-box thinking approach to finding solutions that best fit the client's needs. Ms. Crutcher worked on drainage studies for many types of developments, including single-family residential, roadways, regional facilities, parking lots, and commercial development. She also worked on floodplain analysis and remapping studies of varying size during her time in this department. For multiple projects, Megan utilized geographic information systems (GIS) to evaluate and remap floodplains on the effective FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Maps.



After a few years, Ms. Crutcher shifted focus to utilize her skills for municipal utility districts and single-family developments, with an emphasis on large scale projects. She served as the engineer and project manager for Towne Lake Master Planned Community which consisted of Harris County MUDs 500, 501, 502 and 503, as well as a master services district and Towne Lake Management District. Each District was in differing states of development and required her to orchestrate and lead a team to meet the various needs of each District. Megan displayed an intuitive ability to understand the multiple, intricate and varying moving parts that are critical to successfully managing projects of this magnitude.

Throughout her career, Ms. Crutcher has worked on a variety of projects, ranging in topography and size, from sites smaller than one acre to greater than 2,400 acres. In addition, her projects have ranged in location and governing agencies, such as Harris County, Brazoria County, Fort Bend County, City of Houston and the City of Manvel. The variety of projects has provided her with the opportunity to learn the components that are required to take a development from start to finish, as well as, how to work successfully with all types of people to create a prosperous development. Her analytical and detail oriented expertise is a critical part of the success of Odyssey Engineering Group and her client's projects.

While Ms. Crutcher enjoys single-family development, she also enjoys helping foster the same passion in younger engineers and enjoys helping her team become more cohesive and streamlined. Megan spends her time encouraging young minds to explore engineering in several ways, including her annual participation in neighborhood elementary school career days.



As a respected professional and industry expert, Megan has been asked to speak at several conferences and forums related to land development and MUDs. Ms. Crutcher spoke at the 2014 Annual Conference for Association of Water Board of Directors (AWBD) as part of a panel regarding the public online bid cycle process. In addition, she also spoke at the 2015 International Low Impact Development conference regarding the single-family construction costs of conventional vs. Low Impact Development and has been published in *Land & Water Magazine* regarding the benefits of Low Impact Development in a residential setting.

Megan knows she has had a very successful and meaningful career, but she would not have achieved this without the support of her family. Having grown up in the Houston area, she and her husband, Matthew, knew they wanted to set-up roots in the area. They have settled in Cinco Ranch, located in Katy, Texas with their two daughters, Kaitlyn and Hailey.



Words of Recommendation

Fort Bend County MUD 158 (River Run at the Brazos)

Peggy Bohn – Secretary
(281) 762-5213

“Justin Ring is held in high regard by the Fort Bend County MUD Board on which I serve as a Director. During the time Justin has worked with me and my Board I have always found him to be knowledgeable, prepared at meetings, and skilled at clearly explaining and describing our engineering needs and situations, as well as the reasons for his recommendations.

Our Board appreciates Justin’s genuine concern for our District and the friendly, respectful rapport that he has with us and the other consultants for our District.

I am, therefore, pleased to offer this letter of recommendation for Justin Ring.”

Fort Bend County MUD 162 (Sunrise Meadows)

Michael Gutierrez - Director
(281) 455-9176

“You (Justin Ring) have shown our board nothing but the utmost professionalism. When you came on board, we noticed the difference in the mannerism on how you handled things. You take the time to thoroughly explain what, why and how much it will cost us to handle our water and wastewater plants. The expertise you have provided our board has helped us tremendously to understand how our plants should operate and we look forward to continue to work with you in the future.”

Harris County MUD 501 (Towne Lake)

Sandy Steriti – Vice President
(281) 300-8181

“Megan Crutcher has great technical knowledge about water, wastewater, drainage and road facilities. She communicated extremely well with our MUD Board and with the other consultants. I would certainly welcome the chance to work with her again at any time.”

Fort Bend County MUD 206 (Camellia)

David Maxwell – President
(281) 825-9994

“It is my pleasure to recommend Justin Ring. I have known Justin for close to a decade and in that time have found him to be honest, dedicated and professional. For the past three years he has served as the Engineer for Ft Bend MUD 206 on



which I serve as President. Prior to this, Justin and I both served on the Board of Directors for AWBD. Through these interactions I have had a front row seat to watch Justin in action.

Whether in front of a House Congressional Committee or MUD Board, Justin has proven himself to be extremely knowledgeable and prepared. He is an industry expert on Low Impact Development and has led FB 206 and Ft Bend County through the implementation of their first such development. He has an enviable way of explaining detailed engineering matters such that they are easily understandable for everyone.

In my roles as President of a MUD and previously as President of AWBD I have found Justin to be trustworthy and honest. He will be forthcoming and open regarding potential problems while at the same time offering solutions. He is a voice of reason and I often search out his opinion both professionally and personally.

While Odyssey Engineering is a brand new company, I had no reservations about hiring them as our engineer for FB 206. Justin has proven time and again that he is more than capable as an engineer and friend. With this knowledge it was easy decision to hire Odyssey.”

Harris County MUD 500 (Towne Lake)

Marilyn Roberts – President
(713) 816-0233

“As President of Harris County MUD No. 500 (the “District”) I had the opportunity and privilege to work with Megan Crutcher in her role as the District's Engineer for several years. I always found Megan to be extremely capable, responsible, professional and knowledgeable in all aspects of the District's engineering-related matters. Her expertise in these matters, along with her dedication and hard work on the District's behalf, were vital to the development and operation of the District.

Megan was attentive to requests from the Board members for information and readily responded to questions regarding development of the District as they related to engineering matters. As a result, Megan was highly regarded and respected by myself as well as the other Board members. It was a pleasure to work with Megan and it was especially gratifying knowing the District's engineering needs were in such capable hands.

Should you have any questions or wish to speak with me personally, please do not hesitate to contact me at the number listed above. “