



Draft - Minutes

PWI-Public Works & Infrastructure Committee

Tuesday, January 17, 2023

3:30 PM

Meeting Started At: 3:31 PM

Attendees: Commissioners Cochran Johnson, Terry, Patrick

Present 3 - Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Robert Patrick, and Commissioner Ted Terry

I. MINUTES

2022-2611 Commission District(s): ALL
Minutes for the December 6, 2022, Public Works and Infrastructure Committee Meeting
MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

2022-2620 Commission District(s): ALL
Minutes for the December 9, 2022, Special Called Public Works and Infrastructure Committee Meeting
MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

Abstain: 1 - Commissioner Patrick

II. DISCUSSION

ARP Tranche 2 - Infrastructure Projects

-Information provided by COO Williams

-additional information on Woodland Hills and Shepherd's Lane sewer replacement projects provided by COO Williams and Director David Hayes, Watershed Management Director

Question LCJ: are these projects apart of PSARP?

Hayes: No, PSARP is for sewer these projects deal with drinking water systems. System is about 50-60 years old. This is a part of our ongoing New Day project

-Additional information provided by David Hayes

LCJ Request: Send list of pipe replacement priorities as part of the 2019 Stormwater Masterplan, with completed items highlighted in green and rest organized by highest priority.

Question TT: is there thoughts of re-evaluation based on the 17 watermain breaks over the holiday weekend? How do these recent break events fit in?

Hayes: It wont impact the list. This was an anomaly due to the cold weather snap, this affected a huge area of the southeast region.

Question TT: Are there any weatherproofing efforts? Are new pipes expected to withstand more extreme weather

Hayes: We are aiming to stop being reactive and use the ARP funds to be proactive in our watershed system. The national average in a yar is about 300 miles/year in a given area.

Question TT: What is our plan of action for communication response to stakeholders when events like this occur?

COO Williams: Staff reacted quickly to this event, we recognize our communications system needs updating and a review will occur to see what changes could be made

Question LCJ: Who manages Code Red?

COO Williams: It is internal with Emergency Management

LCJ: Please bring in the director of Code red to an upcoming PWI meeting to walk us through the communication process. What we currently have and opportunity to provide feedback.

COO Williams: I'd recommend we bring this to ERPS, because it's through emergency management and covers weather events, among other things

Question TT: Do we have contractors for these projects already?

Hayes: yes, they are on contract, if approved we will release them to get started

TT: Move to approve ARP Watershed Management Projects at Woodland Hills and Shepherd's Lane

Second RP

Vote: Yes unanimous

Information on ARP Funds for Sanitation Department provided by COO Williams

COO Williams: What I'd like to do is return with a completed list of proposed fee increases at the landfill that could bring upwards of 13 million/annually.

Question LCJ: We created at 10 Million dollar line of credit, and this project was mentioned then. Did we get the first draft? COO

Williams: We finished the rate study about 6 weeks ago. It is ready for presentation.

LCJ Request Rate Study Presentation at the 2/7/23 PWI Meeting

TT: I look forward to hearing all the revenue building opportunities including solar, compost etc ..

LCJ: I will support the motion of the Committee

TT: Move to approve ARP Cell Construction at the Landfill Budget at !0,000,000 with request that Administration work with the PWI Committee on the Rate Study, proposed revue enhancements, grants, and other opportunities

Second RP

Vote: Yes unanimous

Information ARP Stormwater Projects provided by COO Williams

Question LCJ: how many projects?

COO Williams: originally it was 34 it has increased to 42

Question TT: 1.5 for project management inspection, who is the contractor?

Information provided by COO Williams

LCJ: can we put these projects on the website for residents to view?

COO Williams: We can do that and provide project information

Question TT: We need to also give consideration to Willow Lane

Additional comments provided by Director Lemke

Question RP: To be clear, The projects here is only for Tranche 2?

COO Williams: Correct, and we can provide a status update for Tranche 1 in an upcoming meeting

Question RP: Can we get an updated boundary map, I want to make sure District 1 is represented. Additional information provided

COO: Yes, some of the ones you described are not a part of this list. these are the most urgent of cases, I think the ones you described are not on this list but we aim to create a much broader plan to attend to the ones you listed off

Additional comments provided by Director Lemke

TT: Motion to approve Stormwater Management ARP funding for 42 projects at \$10,000,000

Second RP

Vote: Yes unanimous

Information provided on ARP Corridor Improvement Projects provided by COO Williams

Question LCJ: As we beautify the corridors are we working towards sustainability?

COO Williams: yes absolutely

TT: I'd recommend we hold this for now because it is not urgent, we can ask for the Commissioners feedback

COO Williams: yes and I'll reach to each of you. I'd like to bring back this sooner for approval

TT: Motion to Defer ARP Corridor Improvement 1 Million

Second RP

Vote: Yes unanimous

III. AGENDA ITEM

New Agenda Items

[2022-2609](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

CA - Cooperative Agreement for Leasing of Rear Loader Trucks (OMNIA Partners Cooperative Purchasing Agreement No. 2019000319): for use by the Department of Public Works-Sanitation (Sanitation). Consists of piggybacking off the competitively let Omnia Partners Contract No. 2019000319 for leasing of four (4) 11 - yard rear loader trucks for 26 weeks and four (4) 25 - yard rear loader trucks for 52 weeks. These units are needed by the Sanitation Department to assist in the collection of trash within the County. Awarded to Big Truck Rental. Amount Not To Exceed: \$679,104.00.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 1/24/2023. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

-Information provided by Richard Lemke, Director of Public Works

Question LCJ: All are reload trucks, correct?

Lemke: correct, four are 11 yard and four are smaller

Question LCJ: These require LCD drivers and be able to staff them properly?

Lemke: We have been able to add additional staff, we are confident this will alleviate some of the issues er have had,. Not all require LCDs, typically the smaller trucks.

RP : Rec Sub for Approval

[2022-2614](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

LB - Invitation No. 22-101534 Tires Recycling (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by Public Works - Sanitation (Sanitation). Consists of picking up and removing tires from the Seminole Landfill that were collected from illegal dump sites, residential homes, and tire cleanup projects. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder: Latham Home Sanitation Company, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$250,000.00.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 1/24/2023. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and
Commissioner Terry**

-information provided by Richard Lemke, Director of Public Works

Question LCJ: does DeKalb recycle any tires?

Lemke: we do not, this allows us to recycle tires through a 3rd party. We do not have the equipment to properly recycle them ourselves

Question LCJ: this is for them to pick up the tires directly from the landfill, do we change fees for tire at the landfill? Are we losing money or break even on the cost of this contract?

Lemke: I don't have an answer, but something ongoing is a rate evaluation at the landfill and I would expect a recommendation to come forward at some point.

Question TT: from our side it's a hauling contract?

Lemke: Correct

Question TT: We have a liberty tire grant to help clean up, when those tires are collected they are taken by liberty?

Lemke: That is correct, it is a separate grant to help us with general cleaning up

TT: Rec for Approval

2022-2616

Commission District(s): All

LB - Invitation No. 21-101475 Right-of-Way Mowing (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by Public Works - Sanitation and Beautification. Consists of mowing and lawn maintenance services at 113 right-of-way locations throughout the County. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$603,181.02.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 1/24/2023. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and
Commissioner Terry**

-information provided by Richard Lemke, Director of Public Works

Question TT: This is for all corridors?

Lemke: of the 113 right of ways in the County, 78 are in this contract for edging

LCJ/RP Request list 78 right of ways in the list identified by District

Question RP: will they be able to coordinate with the state?

Lemke: A lot of that work is done by the state however, we can try to coordinate

TT: Rec for Approval

[2022-2622](#)

Commission District(s): ALL

CA-Compact Rubber Track Excavator: for use by Public Works-Fleet Management to be used by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of piggybacking off the competitively let Virginia Sheriff's Association Cooperative Agreement No. 23-04-0713 to purchase two (2) compact rubber track excavators for digging trenches to repair and replace water and sewer pipes throughout the County. Awarded to Central Atlanta Tractor Sales, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$123,081.84.

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 1/24/2023. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

-information presented by Director Robert Gordon

Question LCJ: Do we currently have these machines in our possession?

Gordon: We do have them, this is the first time we bought from this manufacture. These two will replace the two we currently have that have reached their end of life

RP: Rec for Approval

[2022-2302](#)

Commission District(s): All

LB - Invitation No. 22-101483 PVC Sewer Pipes (Three (3) Year Multiyear Contract): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of the provision of PVC sewer pipes. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidders: F.M. Shelton, Inc. and Ferguson Waterworks. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$3,780,962.70

MOTION was made by Robert Patrick, seconded by Ted Terry, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 1/24/2023. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

-Information provided by Director David Hayes, Watershed Management Director

Question RP: When do you decide to use plastic versus poly pipe?

Hayes: poly is typically used to connect homeowner to sewer, they are 4-8 inch pipe, smaller. the heavier pipes mentioned are used in stormwater collection

Question TT: Red circle means best part of the bid?

Hayes: Correct. That was the reason the substitute, we wanted to make sure we awarded the lowest cost

RP : Rec Sub for Approval of \$3,053,896.03

2022-2352

Commission District(s): ALL

LB - Invitation No. 21-101466 Rental of Various Heavy Equipment (Three (3) Year Multiyear Contract): for use by the Departments of Public Works - Roads & Drainage (R&D), Sanitation, and Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of the rental of various heavy equipment. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidders: H & E Equipment Services, Inc.; Herc Rentals, Inc.; Sunbelt Rentals, Inc.; and Yancey Brothers Company. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$4,607,809.00.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be recommended for deferral to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 1/24/2023. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

-Information provided by Director David Hayes, Watershed Management

Director TT: Rec for Deferral pending OIIA Review

Meeting Ended At: 5:23 PM

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Robert Patrick, that this agenda item be adjourned meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, Commissioner Patrick, and Commissioner Terry

Barbara H. Sanders-Norwood CCC, CMC