



DeKalb County Government

1300 Commerce Drive
Decatur, Georgia 30030

Minutes

PWI-Public Works & Infrastructure Committee

Tuesday, December 6, 2022

3:30 PM

Meeting Started At: 3:32 PM

Attendees: Commissioners Cochran Johnson, Terry, Rader

Present 2 - Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, and Commissioner Ted Terry

Absent 1 - Commissioner Robert Patrick

I. MINUTES

2022-2301 Commission District(s): ALL
Minutes for the November 15, 2022, 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

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Patrick

II. DISCUSSION

ARP Tranche 2 Infrastructure Allocations

-information provided by Director Lemke

-Question LCJ: regarding dam maintenance and repair, will action be taken from a priority list that we have?

R Lemke: yes we do have a list for priorities regarding dams in the most need of rehabilitation. Additional response provided by Director Lemke

-Question LCJ: regarding corridor improvements, could you be more specific on what those improvements would be regarding that \$1M?

R Lemke: I will have to get back in touch with you regarding that

-Question LCJ: can ARP funds be used in that manner for corridor improvements? Please explain further what corridor improvements entail

-responses provided by COO Williams

-LCJ: COO Williams please come back with a well-defined plan of which corridors we are addressing

-Question TT: we need to ensure this is an appropriate use of ARP funds

-Z Williams: let us review and bring a plan forward to you all

-LCJ: can we discuss the stormwater projects list?

-comments provided by Director Lemke

-comments provided by Commissioner Rader regarding Parks ARP appropriations

-Z Williams: we will have to look at the budget, or GEFA or other loan opportunities regarding that

-Question JR: can you tell me the reason for additional projects under a different priority rather than completing the first one? Why are we leaving those projects specifically enumerated while adding projects that could be funded via an increase in the stormwater utility fee?

-Z Williams: we will be able to recommend funding in fiscal year 2023

-Question JR: I propose that this committee or Administration, as these designs are completed, formally establish these as capital projects and start to fund that budget. Unless they are formally established as capital projects, they remain as uncommitted means

-Z Williams: what you are articulating is that we formally adopt those items as they come on as capital programs. That makes a lot of sense

-TT: I'm not comfortable on moving forward with the infrastructure projects ARP appropriations; my suggestion is that we hold on to this until early 2023. We had the expectation that these Parks projects would be completed and funded. Additional comments provided by Commissioner Terry

-Z Williams: I would suggest we hold the item; it needs more conversation and rather than try to correct that now we hold the item and come back to address specific questions

-Commissioner Terry requests dam maintenance and repair line item move forward with approval from the ARP appropriation list

-LCJ: across the county we are seeing more issues regarding stormwater. We are going to table this conversation, and leave it as it is and deal with it as a body rather than pull one item. Is it ok if it remain to next year regarding dam maintenance?

R Lemke: we can make sure we get our ducks in a row; however I will stress that some of these are critical issues

-LCJ: we have received the second tranche budget outline and will hold at this point

III. AGENDA ITEM

Previously Heard Items

[2022-2124](#) Commission District(s): ALL
LB - Invitation No. 22-101516 Asphaltic Concrete Pavement Repairs (Three (3) Year Multiyear Contract): for use by Departments of Watershed Management (DWM); Public Works - Roads & Drainage (R&D); Recreation, Parks & Cultural Affairs (RPCA); and Facilities Management (FM). Consists of providing road repair and maintenance services on various County roads. Recommend award to all responsive and responsible bidders: A&S Paving, Inc.; Greenway One, Inc.; and HEH Paving, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$42,659,618.50.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be recommended for approval upon receipt of additional information to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 12/13/2022. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Patrick

-information provided by Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

-TT: can we move this forward pending audit to the December 20th BOC?

-LCJ: I understand there will be a substitute moving forward

-TT: motion to approve pending audit review to the December 20th BOC meeting (pending additional information)

New Agenda Items:

[2022-2283](#) Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 1 to Purchase Order 1290734 Purchase of twelve (12) 39-Foot Dump Trailers (Sole Source): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). This contract consists of purchasing twelve (12) 39-foot dump trailers to safely carry sludge from the treatment plants to the landfill. This request is to increase contract funding. Awarded to East Manufacturing Corporation. Amount Not To Exceed: \$37,200.00.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 12/13/2022. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Patrick

-information provided by Director Hayes

[2022-2386](#) Commission District(s): All
REN - Contract Nos.: 1274332, 1275648, and 1275653 Hot Asphaltic Mix Concrete (Annual - 1st Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): for use by Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D). These contracts consist of purchasing the asphaltic material needed to complete multiple asphalt repair and maintenance projects throughout the County. This request is to exercise the 1st renewal option through December 31, 2023. Awarded to JT Asphalt, LLC; Metro Materials, Inc.; and Pittman Construction Company. Amount Not To Exceed: \$420,000.00.
MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 12/13/2022. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Patrick

-Information provided by Director Lemke

[2022-2420](#) Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 2 for Contract Nos.: 1167992, 1167993, and 1167995 Pond Maintenance Services (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D). These contracts consist of cutting, cleaning, spraying, and repair/maintenance of stormwater retention and detention ponds. This request is to increase the contract term through August 31, 2023 and funding. Awarded to Williams Icon Homes and Properties, ASAP Landscape Management Group, and Executive Realty Solutions, Inc. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,700,000.00.
MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 12/13/2022. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Patrick

-Information provided by Director Lemke

Question TT: shouldn't we be asking for more maintenance methods that are more ecologically sound that would help reduce reoccurring costs. The RFP for the future work include a more sustainable solutions

-Commissioner Cochran-Johnson requests Director Lemke return regarding potential ecological efforts and options for retention pond work/clear cutting

-Commissioner Terry requests communications and notice between the department and communities regarding this work

-TT: I will be working to bring forward an ecological detention pond policy going forward

2022-2468

Commission District(s): Districts 2 & 6

RFP - Request for Proposal No. 22-500601 North Druid Hills Corridor Scoping Study (365 Days): for use by Public Works - Transportation. Consists of conducting a transportation study to guide in modernizing the North Druid Hills Road/Valley Brook Road for ultimate transportation improvement options for the stakeholders in the area. Recommend award to the highest scoring proposer: KCI Technology, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$474,000.00.

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

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Patrick

-information provided by Patrece Keeter

-comments provided by Commissioner Terry

2022-2510

Commission District(s): All

CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1258006 Stormwater Master Plan: for use by Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D). This contract consists of providing stormwater master planning services for DeKalb County. Awarded to Arcadis US, Inc. CONTRACT TERM EXTENSION ONLY.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 12/13/2022. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Patrick

-information provided by Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

[2022-2513](#)

Commission District(s): All
LB - Invitation No. 22-101532 Curb Bumping and Street Sweeping (Annual Contact with 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Department Public Works - Sanitation. Consists of removing litter, leaves, sand, dirt, rocks, pine straw, and other debris from DeKalb County public roads and catch basins. Recommend award to the sole bidder who is responsive and responsible: Pateco Services, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$260,135.22.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 12/13/2022. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Patrick

-information provided by Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

-Question TT: is this the same list of streets or were streets added?

-responses provided by Director Hutchinson

-Question LCJ: how often do we bump curbs?

T Hutchinson: we do it all year, 52 weeks out of the year

-Question LCJ: how often would we bump Flat Shoals Parkway

-T Hutchinson: the entire Flat Shoals it would be once or twice a year; we do it based on miles and highway traffic along a corridor

-comments provided by Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

-comments provided by Commissioner Terry

-Question TT: if residents identify a curb to be bumped, what is the plan?

T Hutchinson: there is a contingency fund for those occurrences

-Question TT: can GIS articulate these roads on one of their maps?

T Hutchinson: absolutely, we had done that for you all around a year ago outlined by district. We can send you the information

[2022-2555](#)

Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 1297573 Emergency Debris Collection Services: for use by Public Works - Sanitation. This contract consists of debris collection routes at the North Collection Lot. This request is to increase contract funding and term through June 30, 2023. Awarded to Russell Landscape, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$975,000.00.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 12/13/2022. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Patrick

-information provided by Commissioner Cochran-Johnson

-Question TT: are we seeking a longer term contract?

-response provided by Director Hutchinson

2022-2042

Commission District(s): All

CO - Change Order No. 1 for Contract Nos.: 1201901, 1201898 and 1201890 Consent Decree - Gravity Sewer Rehabilitation and Replacement (CD-GSRR): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). These contract consists primarily of providing gravity sewer rehabilitation and replacement via cured in place pipe (CIPP) with internal and external point repairs, as well as open cut pipe bursting. This request seeks to utilize the Engineering News Record - Construction Cost Index (ENR-CCI) to calculate additional cost impacts incurred due to the current market's supply chain issues. Additionally, this request seeks to amend and utilize the existing Owners Allowance line item to pay for these additional cost impacts with existing funds. Awarded to Inland Pipe Rehabilitation (IPR) dba IPR Southeast, LLC; Kemi Construction Company, Inc.; and The Renee Group, Inc.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 12/13/2022. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Patrick

-information provided by Director Hayes

-Question TT: is this only for materials?

D Hayes: this is regarding materials and labor; the costs have also increased. Additional information provided by Director Hayes

-Question TT: did the vendor change their name?

-LCJ: they dropped the partner

-response provided by County Attorney Ernstes

[2022-2586](#)

Commission District(s): All
Allocation of Federal Funds for Emergency Rental Assistance received from the U.S. Department of Treasury (“ERA 1 Reallocation”) in the amount of \$12,000,000.00 for payment of eligible water bills and all other eligible uses authorized by the Grant.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 12/13/2022. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Patrick

-information provided by COO Williams

-Question LCJ: so we're using federal funds to reimburse ourselves for monies we have not collected?

-response provided by COO Williams

-Question LCJ: are we working from a list of delinquent accounts?

Z Williams: yes ma'am

-Question LCJ: so are we using funds to pay ourselves for monies people did not pay?

-response provided by Maria Houser

-Question TT: this \$12M will more than cover those who need rental assistance correct?

V Ernestes: Commissioners this is a little different; additional information provided by County Attorney Ernestes

-additional comments provided by COO Williams

-Question TT: will Atlanta Legal Aid help us process this?

-LCJ: unless this was time sensitive I wanted to bring this back for additional questions and review; I feel this is a bit of a rush

-Question TT: do we have to allocate this by the end of the year?

Z Williams: yes

-Question LCJ: why did this just make it to the agenda today?

-response provided by COO Williams

-Question TT: we can appropriate it and then the expenditures would be a different timeline?

Z Williams: it was my understanding that with ERA1 we would have to spend the money by the end of the year

-additional comments provided by County Attorney Ernestes

-LCJ: we can move this forward pending additional information

[2022-2546](#)

Commission District(s): 3 & 7
Decorative Street Lights along the property frontage of 1712 Columbia Drive (New Fire Station No. 7)

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 12/13/2022. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Patrick

-information provided by Patrece Keeter

-P Keeter: \$18,500 for installation of Street Lights out of SPLOST, and \$95 a month for the highway lighting

-Question LCJ: how many street lights will this be?

-P Keeter: it is 4 LED street lights

-TT: I continue to protest the Georgia Power street light contract. If we developed our own policy to power our own street lights we would save so much money. Athens-Clark has their own meter for their own street lights in areas

2022-2473

Commission District(s): Commission Districts 1, 2 & 7
Reallocation of CIP Award Match Funding in the amount of
\$415,371.29: Awards 601139 DeKalb Sanitation CNG Projects
(\$261,347.98) closed 12/31/19 & 601175 Match for Stimulus
(\$154,023.31) closed 1/5/12

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

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Patrick

-information provided by Director Hutchinson

-Question LCJ: this will help to offset what we just passed?

T Hutchinson: that's correct; additional information provided by Director Hutchinson

Meeting Ended At: 5:25 PM

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be adjourned meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Patrick

Barbara H. Sanders-Norwood CCC, CMC