

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

January 8th, 2019

Chairman Larry Sorapuru

Vice-Chairman Tom Malik

Members: Larry Sorapuru, Jr., Kurt Becnel, Julia Remondet, Lennix Madere, Marvin Perrilloux, Larry Snyder, Michael Wright, Thomas Malik, Jaclyn Hotard

PRESENT: Kurt Becnel, Larry Snyder, Thomas Malik, Lennix Madere, Marvin Perrilloux, Larry Sorapuru, Jaclyn Hotard, Julia Remondet and Michael Wright

ABSENT: None

PUBLIC COMMENT - AGENDA ITEMS ONLY (2 minutes per citizen)

There was no public comment.

BID OPENING REPORT/AWARDS

LaVerne Toombs - Bid Opening - 2019 Granular Chlorine Requirements

LaVerne Toombs stated, "The bids for the 2019 Granular Chlorine Requirements were opened January 7th, 2019. There were two bids received Arch Chemicals, Inc., LaMesa, CA in the amount of \$120.00 and Leslie's PoolMart, Phoenix, AZ in the amount of \$134.95. The administration requests that we take these under advisement."

MOTION: Councilman Snyder moved and Councilman Madere seconded the motion to take the two bids for the 2019 Granular Chlorine Requirements under advisement. The motion passed unanimously.

Jean Stewart/C.J. Savoie - (Tabled 12-26-18) Authorization to award the bid for the 2019 Asphalt Road Improvements to Coastal Bridge Company, LLC

MOTION: Councilman Becnel moved and Councilman Wright seconded the motion to REMOVE the authorization to award the bid for 2019 Asphalt Road Improvements to Coastal Bridge Company, LLC from the TABLE. The motion passed with unanimously.

Joseph Savoie commented that he has had conversations and is in negotiations with the contractor on certain items that have to be included and handled in the project. He is didn't have the contracts ready but was hoping to have everything finalized very quickly.

MOTION: Councilman Madere moved and Councilwoman Remondet seconded the motion to TABLE the grant administration authorization to award the bid for the 2019 Asphalt Road Improvements to Coastal Bridge Company, LLC. The motion passed unanimously.

Rene Pastorek/Tom Hunter - (Tabled 12-26-18) Authorization to execute a one (1) year time extension with AECOM Technical Services, Inc. for the Feasibility Study and Conceptual Plan for a Passenger Rail and Multi-Modal Transit Center

MOTION: Councilman Perrilloux moved and Councilman Wright seconded the motion to REMOVE the authorization to execute a one (1) year time extension with AECOM Technical Services, Inc. for the Feasibility Study and Conceptual Plan for a Passenger Rail and Multi-Modal Transit Center from the TABLE. The motion passed unanimously.

Rene Pastorek stated, *"This extension is in accordance with the original contract and will add one (1) year to the existing contract with no increase in cost. The study is funded through a \$75,000 grant from the Southern Rail Commission and a match from the Economic Development budget. The standard contract extension was sent to Legal Counsel on December 20, 2018 and recommended changes were provided yesterday January 7th after 4:00 p.m. Changes were made this morning and resubmitted for review. Administration recommends approval."*

MOTION: Councilman Perrilloux moved and Councilman Wright seconded the motion to grant administration authorization to execute a one (1) year time extension with AECOM Technical Services, Inc. for the Feasibility Study and Conceptual Plan for a Passenger Rail and Multi-Modal Transit Center. The motion passed unanimously.

Blake Fogleman/Mickey Prattini - (Tabled 12-26-18) Authorization to amend the Professional Services Agreement with G.E.C., Inc. for the parish Generator Project - Phase II

MOTION: Councilman Becnel moved and Councilman Perrilloux seconded the motion to REMOVE the authorization to amend the Professional Services Agreement with G.E.C., Inc. for the parish Generator Project - Phase II from the TABLE. The motion passed with unanimously.

LaVerne Toombs stated, *"This amendment is for a not to exceed amount of \$5,400 for additional geotechnical investigation for the foundation design of permanent emergency generators at three (3) lift stations (Big Belle Terre at Fairway/Lakewood Drive, Ned Duhe and Captain Bourgeois). The project is funded through a \$305,000 GOHSEP grant and the 2010 Bond Issue at a 75/25% cost share. The amendment was reviewed and approved by GOHSEP and the Parish Engineer. The draft amendment was reviewed and deemed legally sufficient by Legal Counsel. Administration recommends approval."*

MOTION: Councilman Madere moved and Councilman Perrilloux seconded the motion to grant administration authorization to amend the Professional Services Agreement with G.E.C., Inc. for the parish Generator Project - Phase II. The motion passed unanimously.

Blake Fogleman/Rob Bredberg - (Tabled 12-26-18) Authorization to award the Lions Water Treatment Plant Pump Station Intake Project to Industrial & Mechanical Contractors, Inc.

MOTION: Councilman Malik moved and Councilman Becnel seconded the motion to REMOVE the authorization to award the Lions Water Treatment Plant Pump Station Intake Project to Industrial & Mechanical Contractors, Inc. from the TABLE. The motion passed unanimously.

LaVerne Toombs stated, *"Industrial & Mechanical Contractors, Inc. of Jefferson, LA submitted the lowest responsive and responsible bid in the amount of \$1,113,535.00 for rehabilitation of the raw water intake structure. It was reviewed by the Project Engineer, the Parish Engineer, and the Utilities Director and approved by the Louisiana Department of Health. The Construction Agreement*

was part of the bid documents and there is no mechanism within public bid law to change the agreement between acceptance of the bids and award. Administration recommends approval."

Councilman Madere moved. There was no second, so the motion died for lack of a second.

Councilwoman Hotard commented that she wanted to revisit this to make the council aware that this was a bid and that even if we didn't have a second to the motion the bid would be accepted. So, if there was something that we still wanted to look at or inquire about we should table the item until we can revisit the issues we may have with it. At that time Councilman Perrilloux motioned to table.

MOTION: Councilman Perrilloux moved and Councilwoman Hotard seconded the motion to TABLE the authorization to award the Lions Water Treatment Plant Pump Station Intake Project to Industrial & Mechanical Contractors, Inc. The motion passed unanimously.

Blake Fogleman/Gerald Babin - (Tabled 12-26-18) Authorization to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Professional Engineering Consultants Corporation (PEC) for the Reserve Wastewater Collection System Lift Station and Force Main Capacity Evaluation Project

MOTION: Councilman Becnel moved and Councilwoman Remondet seconded the motion to REMOVE the authorization to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Professional Engineering Consultants Corporation (PEC) for the Reserve Wastewater Collection System Lift Station and Force Main Capacity Evaluation Project from the TABLE. The motion passed unanimously.

LaVerne Toombs stated, *"Professional Engineering Consultants Corporation (PEC) was selected from the 2017 A&E Pool to conduct this evaluation and recommend a path forward. The contract amount of \$55,000 is being funded through a \$33,400 Environmental Protection Agency/Lake Pontchartrain Basin Restoration Program grant, with the remaining balance of \$21,600.00 funded through the 2010 Bond Issue. The contract was reviewed and approved by the Parish Engineer and sent to Legal Counsel for review on December 20, 2018 and recommended changes were provided yesterday January 7th after 4:00 p.m. Changes were made this morning and resubmitted for review. Administration recommends approval."*

MOTION: Councilwoman Hotard moved and Councilwoman Remondet seconded the motion upon the recommendation of the administration to grant administration authorization to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Professional Engineering Consultants Corporation (PEC) for the Reserve Wastewater Collection System Lift Station and Force Main Capacity Evaluation Project. The motion passed unanimously.

Reed Alexander/Carlos Giron - Authorization to execute Change Order No. 1 with Volute, Inc. for the Edgard Water Treatment Plant Clarifier Rehabilitation Project

LaVerne Toombs stated, *"This Change Order was requested by Utilities staff and adds 147 days to the contract time. The time extension is needed to insure the clarifier remains functional during the winter months (December 1, 2018 through February 28, 2019) to avoid problems should the Parish experience freezing temperatures. The estimated completion date of the project is May 28, 2019. The Change Order request was reviewed and approved by the Project Engineer, the Utilities Director and the Parish Engineer. Administration recommends approval."*

MOTION: Councilman Becnel moved and Councilman Madere seconded the motion to grant administration authorization to execute Change Order No. 1 with Volute, Inc. for the Edgard Water Treatment Plant Clarifier Rehabilitation Project. The motion passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Hotard requested that we revisit the item - Blake Fogleman/Rob Bredberg - (Tabled 12-26-18) Authorization to award the Lions Water Treatment Plant Pump Station Intake Project to Industrial & Mechanical Contractors, Inc. please see there.

Adjournment

MOTION: Councilman Perrilloux moved and Councilman Wright seconded the motion to adjourn the finance meeting. The motion passed unanimously.