



## **WATER AND WASTEWATER COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**The Water and Wastewater Commission convened in a regular meeting on February 10, 2010 at Waller Creek Center, 624 East 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Room 104, in Austin, Texas.**

### **Commission Members in Attendance:**

Chair Mario A. Espinoza, Vice Chair Gwen Webb, Sarah B. Faust, Aaron Googins, Dale Gray, and Chien Lee

### **Staff in Attendance:**

Greg Meszaros, Director, Perwez Moheet, David Anders, George Calhoun, David Juarez, Jane Burazer, Kathi Flowers, Denise Avery, Joe Hoepken, Willy Conrad, Lisa Martinez, Phillip Jaeger, Julie Hastings, Bill Stauber, Rim Randig, Stacie Long, Mark Dollins, Alice Flora, Joe Smith, Sharon Hamilton, Clay Harris, Jonathan Thompson, Seyed Miri, Drema Gross, Mike Trimble, Aldo Rancani, Wale Odufuye and Felicia Cancino

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### **A. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Espinoza called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

### **B. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION**

No Citizens signed up to speak

### **C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The meeting minutes from the January 13, 2010 Water & Wastewater Commission regular meeting were approved unanimously on Commissioner Lee's motion and Commissioner Gray's second.

### **D. DIRECTOR'S BRIEFING ITEMS**

Mr. Meszaros informed the Commissioners that Item E6 (E. 7<sup>th</sup> Street Corridor RCA) was back on the agenda with revisions per the Commission's request at last month's meeting. He also invited the Commissioners to the Ground Breaking Ceremony at the Hornsby Bend Facility due to the Environmental Award provided to the Austin Water Utility with specific reference to commemorate the 1 year anniversary and will notify the Commissioners as the day approaches.

**E. ITEMS FOR COMMISSION'S REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL  
TO CITY COUNCIL**

Commissioner's consented on items 5, 8, and 12.

Commissioner's pulled items 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27 and 28.

1. Recommend approval to award and execute a 22-month requirements service contract through U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance with **KONE, INC.**, Austin, TX to provide elevator preventative maintenance, repair, and modernization services at various City facilities in an estimated amount not to exceed \$1,803,450, with one 24-month extension option in an estimated amount not to exceed \$2,360,880 for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$4,164,330.  
**David Anders, Assistant Director addressed the Commissioner's questions and concerns.**  
**Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Googins' motion and Commissioner Lee's second.**
2. Recommend approval to award and execute two 12-month requirements service contracts for survey and inventory of **Golden-Cheeked Warbler** and **Black-Capped Vireo birds** for the Austin Water Utility with **HICKS & COMPANY**, Austin, TX in an estimated contract amount not to exceed \$57,072, and **BAER ENGINEERING AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTING, INC.**, Austin, TX in an estimated contract amount not to exceed \$51,313.  
**Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Lee's motion and Commissioner Googins' second.**
3. Recommend approval to award and execute a 36-month requirements supply contract with **MCCAIN WATERWORKS MARKETING, LLC**, San Antonio, TX, for the purchase of pipe, valves, and fittings in an estimated amount not to exceed \$246,000, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$82,000 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$492,000.  
**David Anders, Assistant Director and George Calhoun, Assistant Director addressed the Commissioner's questions and concerns.**  
**Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Googins' motion and Commissioner Gray's second.**
4. Recommend approval to award and execute a 12-month requirements supply contract with **US PEROXIDE, LLC**, Atlanta, GA for the purchase of 50% hydrogen peroxide in an estimated amount not to exceed \$279,000, with two 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$279,000 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$837,000.  
**Greg Meszaros, Director addressed the Commissioner's questions and concerns.**

**Item passed on Commissioner Googins' motion and Commissioner Lee's second. Commissioners consenting were Googins, Lee, Gray, Espinoza and Faust. Commissioner Webb dissented.**

5. Recommend approval to negotiate and execute a professional services agreement with **KLEINFELDER CENTRAL, INC.**, Austin, TX, for professional engineering services for the Reservoir Recoating and Safety Improvements Project in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.  
**Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Webb's motion and Commissioner Googins second.**
6. Recommend approval to negotiate and execute an amendment to the professional services agreement with **URBAN DESIGN GROUP (WBE/FW-64.59%)**, Austin, TX, for engineering services on the East 7th Street Corridor Improvements Project in the amount of \$473,290.57 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,575,027.73.  
**Clay Harris, Project Manager, Public Works addressed the Commissioner's questions and concerns.**  
**Item passed on Commissioner Espinoza's motion and Commissioner Webb's second. Commissioner's consenting were Espinoza, Webb, Faust, Gray and Googins. Commissioner Lee recused due to a potential conflict of interest.**
7. Recommend approval to negotiate and execute an amendment to the professional services agreement with **BLACK & VEATCH CORPORATION**, Austin, TX, for engineering services for the design phase of the **Jollyville Transmission Main** from Water Treatment Plant 4 project, in the amount of \$6,000,000, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$10,500,000.  
**Joe Hoepken, Engineer provided a presentation on this item. Joe, Greg Meszaros, Director, Stacie Long, Project Manager, Public Works and Chuck Lesniak with Watershed Protection addressed the Commissioner's questions and concerns.**  
  
**This item passed on Commissioner Googins' motion and Commissioner Lee's second. Commissioners consenting were Googins, Lee, Espinoza, Gray and Webb. Commissioner Faust dissented.**
8. Recommend approval to execute change orders to the following three Austin Water Utility Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity Wastewater Line Relay and Spot Repair service contracts with **PEABODY GENERAL CONTRACTORS, INC**, Dripping Springs, TX, (WBE/FW – Zone A: 64.49%, Zone B: 71.78%, and Zone C: 65.73%) in the amount of \$378,952.50 for the Zone A contract, in the amount of \$520,620 for the Zone B contract, and in the amount of \$378,952.50 for the Zone C contract.  
**Item passed on Commissioner Googins' motion and Commissioner Lee's second. Commissioners consenting were Googins, Lee, Gray, Espinoza and Faust. Commissioner Webb dissented.**

9. Recommend approval to execute a construction contract with **LAUGHLIN-THYSSEN, INC.** of Houston, TX, for the South IH-35 Water Wastewater Infrastructure Improvement Program Segment 1 – Slaughter Lane to Slaughter Creek, 36-Inch Water Main project in the amount of \$2,116,403 plus \$211,640.30 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$2,328,043.30.  
**Joe Hoepken, Engineer and Janet Atkinson, Engineer addressed the Commissioner’s questions and concerns.**  
**Item passed on Commissioner Googins’ motion and Commissioner Webb’s second.**  
**Commissioners consenting were Googins, Webb, Espinoza, and Faust.**  
**Commissioner’s Lee and Gray recused due to a potential conflict of interest.**
  
10. Recommend approval to execute a construction contract with **SOUTHLAND CONTRACTING, INC.**, Fort Worth, TX, for the South IH-35 Water/Wastewater Infrastructure Improvements Program, Segment 2/5 - Slaughter and Onion Creek Crossings, 36-Inch Water Main in the amount of \$5,985,534, plus a \$299,276.70 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$6,284,810.70.  
**Joe Hoepken addressed the Commissioner’s questions and concerns.**  
**Item passed on Commissioner Webb’s motion and Commissioner Espinoza’s second.**  
**Commissioners consenting were Webb, Espinoza, Googins, and Faust.**  
**Commissioner’s Gray and Lee recused due to a potential conflict of interest.**
  
11. Recommend approval to execute a construction contract with **KEYSTONE CONSTRUCTION, INC.**, Austin, TX, for the Loop 360 Water Improvements – Allen Road Pump Station Project in the amount of \$4,484,981, plus a \$125,000 allowance for the Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) System, plus a \$224,249.05 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$4,834,230.05.  
**Janet Atkinson addressed the Commissioner’s questions and concerns.**  
**Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Lee’s motion and Commissioner Webb’s second.**
  
12. Recommend approval to negotiate and execute an Advance Funding Agreement with the **Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT)** in an amount not to exceed \$622,684 for the relocation and adjustment of City owned water and wastewater lines in connection with the State’s widening of RM 2769 from 0.75 miles west of RM 620 to Anderson Mill Road.  
**Item passed on Commissioner Googins’ motion and Commissioner Lee’s second.**  
**Commissioners consenting were Googins, Lee, Gray, Espinoza and Faust.**  
**Commissioner Webb dissented.**
  
13. Recommend approval of an **Ordinance amending Chapter 15-9** of the City Code relating to **Water and Wastewater Service Connections** to Certain Lots and extensions of service lines for a maximum distance of 100 feet.  
**David Anders, Assistant Director addressed the Commissioner’s questions and concerns.**

**Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Faust's motion and Commissioner Lee's second.**

14. Recommend approval of the issuance of a Letter of Intent for a rebate to **ASSET PLUS** for the installation of up to 293 water efficient toilets at **Audubon Square Apartments**, in an amount not to exceed \$58,600.  
**Daryl Slusher, Assistant Director, and Drema Gross, Program Manager addressed the Commissioner's questions and concerns.**  
**Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Webb's motion and Commissioner Faust's second.**
15. Recommend approval of the issuance of a Letter of Intent for a rebate to **HARDROCK CANYON APARTMENTS** for the installation of up to 570 water efficient toilets at the **Hardrock Canyon Apartments**, in an amount not to exceed \$114,000.
16. Recommend approval of the issuance of a Letter of Intent for a rebate to **ASSET PLUS** for the installation of up to 294 water efficient toilets at **Harpers Creek Apartments**, in an amount not to exceed \$58,800.  
**Daryl Slusher, Assistant Director, and Drema Gross, Program Manager addressed the Commissioner's questions and concerns.**  
**Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Webb's motion and Commissioner Faust's second.**
17. Recommend approval of the issuance of a Letter of Intent for a rebate to **MONTE VISTA CONDOS** for the installation of up to 304 water efficient toilets at **Monte Vista Condos**, in an amount not to exceed \$60,800.  
**Daryl Slusher, Assistant Director, and Drema Gross, Program Manager addressed the Commissioner's questions and concerns.**  
**Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Webb's motion and Commissioner Faust's second.**
18. Recommend approval of the issuance of a Letter of Intent for a rebate to **FREE TOILET REPLACEMENTS, INC**, for the installation of up to 403 water efficient toilets at the **Oak Hollow Apartment Homes**, in an amount not to exceed \$80,600.  
**Daryl Slusher, Assistant Director, and Drema Gross, Program Manager addressed the Commissioner's questions and concerns.**  
**Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Webb's motion and Commissioner Faust's second.**

19. Recommend approval of the issuance of a Letter of Intent for a rebate to **FREE TOILET REPLACEMENTS, INC.**, for the installation of up to 408 water efficient toilets at **Travis Station Apartments**, in an amount not to exceed \$81,600.  
**Daryl Slusher, Assistant Director, and Drema Gross, Program Manager addressed the Commissioner's questions and concerns.**  
**Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Webb's motion and Commissioner Faust's second.**
  
20. Recommend approval of the issuance of a Letter of Intent for a rebate to **ASSET PLUS** for the installation of up to 495 water efficient toilets at **Trestles of Austin Apartments**, in an amount not to exceed \$99,000.  
**Daryl Slusher, Assistant Director, and Drema Gross, Program Manager addressed the Commissioner's questions and concerns.**  
**Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Webb's motion and Commissioner Faust's second.**
  
21. Recommend approval of the issuance of a Letter of Intent for a rebate to **VILLAGE AT GRACY FARMS** for the installation of up to 484 water efficient toilets at **Village at Gracy Farms**, in an amount not to exceed \$96,800.  
**Daryl Slusher, Assistant Director, and Drema Gross, Program Manager addressed the Commissioner's questions and concerns.**  
**Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Webb's motion and Commissioner Faust's second.**
  
22. Recommend approval of the issuance of a Letter of Intent for a rebate to **FREE TOILET REPLACEMENTS, INC.** for the installation of up to 271 water efficient toilets at **The Woods on Barton Skyway**, in an amount not to exceed \$54,200.  
**Daryl Slusher, Assistant Director, and Drema Gross, Program Manager addressed the Commissioner's questions and concerns.**  
**Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Webb's motion and Commissioner Faust's second.**
  
23. Recommend approval of the issuance of a Letter of Intent for a rebate to **ASSET PLUS** for the installation of up to 409 water efficient toilets at **Ashbury Parke Apartments**, in an amount not to exceed \$81,800.  
**Daryl Slusher, Assistant Director, and Drema Gross, Program Manager addressed the Commissioner's questions and concerns.**  
**Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Webb's motion and Commissioner Faust's second.**

24. Recommend approval of the issuance of a Letter of Intent for a rebate to **COPPER MILL APARTMENT HOMES** for the installation of up to 412 water efficient toilets at the **Copper Mill Apartment Homes**, in an amount not to exceed \$82,400.  
**Daryl Slusher, Assistant Director, and Drema Gross, Program Manager addressed the Commissioner's questions and concerns.**  
**Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Webb's motion and Commissioner Faust's second.**
25. Recommend approval of the issuance of a Letter of Intent for a rebate to **LOGANS MILL** for the installation of up to 303 water efficient toilets at **Logans Mill Apartments**, in an amount not to exceed \$60,600.  
**Daryl Slusher, Assistant Director, and Drema Gross, Program Manager addressed the Commissioner's questions and concerns.**  
**Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Webb's motion and Commissioner Faust's second.**
26. Recommend approval of the issuance of a Letter of Intent for a rebate to **NORTHWEST HILLS** for the installation of up to 339 water efficient toilets at the **Northwest Hills Apartments**, in an amount not to exceed \$67,800.  
**Daryl Slusher, Assistant Director, and Drema Gross, Program Manager addressed the Commissioner's questions and concerns.**  
**Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Webb's motion and Commissioner Faust's second.**
27. Recommend approval of the issuance of a Letter of Intent for a rebate to **ASSET PLUS** for the installation of up to 299 water efficient toilets at **Pinto Creek Apartments**, in an amount not to exceed \$59,800.  
**Daryl Slusher, Assistant Director, and Drema Gross, Program Manager addressed the Commissioner's questions and concerns.**  
**Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Webb's motion and Commissioner Faust's second.**
28. Recommend approval to authorize the City Manager to negotiate and execute an agreement with **River Place Municipal Utility District** ("River Place") for the provision of out-of-district water service to an approximately one-acre tract ("Dunlap Tract") which is located east of River Place's boundary.  
**David Juarez, Assistant Director addressed the Commissioner's questions and concerns.**  
**Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Googins' motion and Commissioner Lee's second.**

**F. VOTING ITEMS FROM COMMISSION**

1. 2009 Annual Review and 2010 Work Plan

**The 2009 Annual Review and 2010 Work Plan was adopted unanimously contingent upon the amendments requested on Commissioner Webb's motion and Commissioner Gray's second.**

**G. REPORTS BY COMMISSION SUBCOMMITTEE**

None

**H. NON VOTING DISCUSSION ITEMS**

None

**I. STAFF BRIEFINGS, PRESENTATIONS, AND OR REPORTS**

None

**J. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**K. ADJOURN**

Chair Espinoza adjourned the meeting at 7:52 p.m. without objection.