

The Water and Wastewater Commission convened in a regular meeting on September 10, 2014 at Waller Creek Center, 625 East 10th Street, Room 104, in Austin, Texas.

Commission Members in Attendance:

Dale Gray, P.E. (Chair) (Absent) Christianne Castleberry, P.E. Colin Clark

Mickey Fishbeck Chien Lee, P.E. (Vice Chair) William Moriarty, P.E (Absent)

J. Michael Ohueri

Staff in Attendance:

Greg Meszaros, David Anders, Chris Chen, Dave Juarez, Jane Burazer, Rick Coronado, Brownlee Bowmer, Larry Mendez, Kristi Fenton, Kevin Koeller, Robert Rowan, Bill Stauber, Teresa Lutes, Denise Avery and Felicia Cancino.

Additional Attendees:

Brian Rodgers, Stefan Schuster, Bill Bunch

A. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Lee called the meeting to order at 6:10pm.

B. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

Brian Rodgers and Bill Bunch spoke regarding Item G1. Mr. Rodgers stated his concerns about the manner in which City Management has informed the public about the rate increase. Mr. Bunch stated his concerns with the publication of water rate increases by City Management.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The August 13, 2014 WWW Commission regular meeting minutes were approved on Commissioner Ohueri's motion and Commissioner Fishbeck's second on a 4-0-0-3 vote with Commissioner's Gray and Moriarty absent and Commissioner Castleberry not present to vote on the item.

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

Commissioner's consented on items 1, 2, 3, & 7. Commissioner's pulled items 4, 5, and 6 for discussion.

1. Recommend approval to award and execute a 12-month sole source requirements supply agreement with **SEEPEX, INC**. for the purchase of Seepex Pump Supplies for the Austin Water Utility (AWU) in an amount not to exceed \$30,000 with two 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$30,000 per extension option for a total contract amount not to exceed \$90,000. **Item passed on Commissioner Ohueri's motion and Commissioner**

Fishbeck's second on a 4-0-0-3 vote with Commissioner's Gray and Moriarty absent and Commissioner Castleberry not present to vote on this item.

- 2. Recommend approval to award and execute a 12-month requirements supply agreement with ACT PIPE & SUPPLY LTD for the purchase of sanitary sewer cleanout frames and covers for the Austin Water Utility in an amount not to exceed \$84,400 with three 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$84,400 per extension option for a total contract amount not to exceed \$337,600. Item passed on Commissioner Ohueri's motion and Commissioner Fishbeck's second on a 4-0-0-3 vote with Commissioner's Gray and Moriarty absent and Commissioner Castleberry not present to vote on this item.
- 3. Recommend approval to award and execute a 36-month requirements supply contract with **PENCCO, INC.**, for the purchase of liquid ferric sulfate for the Austin Water Utility in an amount not to exceed \$1,383,912, with three 12-month extension options in an amount not to exceed \$461,304 per extension option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$2,767,824. **Item passed on Commissioner Ohueri's motion and Commissioner Fishbeck's second on a 4-0-0-3 vote with Commissioner's Gray and Moriarty absent and Commissioner Castleberry not present to vote on this item.**
- 4. Recommend approval to award and execute various supply and service contracts during the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 through the STATE OF TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION RESOURCES (DIR) cooperative purchasing program for the purchase of computer, telephone and network hardware and related maintenance in an amount not to exceed \$42,543,727. Austin Water's portion of the requested authorization is \$2,037,143. David Anders addressed the Commissioner's questions and concerns. Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Lee's motion and Commissioner Fishbeck's second on a 5-0-0-2 vote with Commissioner's Gray and Moriarty absent.
- 5. Recommend approval to award and execute various service contracts during the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 through the STATE OF TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION RESOURCES cooperative purchasing program, for the purchase of technology services in an amount not to exceed \$48,327,060. Austin Water's portion of the requested authorization is \$2,430,000. David Anders addressed the Commissioner's questions and concerns. Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Castleberry's motion and Commissioner Ohueri's second on a 5-0-0-2 vote with Commissioner's Gray and Moriarty absent.
- 6. Recommend approval to award and execute various supply and service contracts during the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 through the **STATE OF TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION RESOURCES** cooperative purchasing program, for the purchase of computer software and software maintenance and support in an amount not to exceed \$22,645,124. Austin Water's portion of the requested authorization is \$1,749,602. **David Anders addressed the Commissioner's questions and concerns. Item passed**

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unanimously on Commissioner Ohueri's motion and Commissioner Fishbeck's second on a 5-0-0-2 vote with Commissioner's Gray and Moriarty absent.

7. Recommend approval to execute a construction contract with **EXCEL CONSTRUCTION SERVICES**, **LLC**, for the Lockheed Rehab & Other Shaft Warranty Inspections project in the amount of \$4,567,000 (base bid + alternate bid 1 + alternate bid 2) plus a \$228,350 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$4,795,350. **Item passed on Commissioner Ohueri's motion and Commissioner Fishbeck's second on a 4-0-0-3 vote with Commissioner's Gray and Moriarty absent and Commissioner Castleberry not present to vote on this item.**

E. VOTING ITEMS FROM COMMISSION

None

F. REPORTS BY COMMISSION SUBCOMMITTEE

None

G. NON VOTING DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Concerns with publication of water rate increases by City Management Commissioner Fishbeck presented a brief synopsis on this item stating that she was disappointed in City Management as she did not agree with the way the rate increase was advertised. Greg Meszaros addressed Commissioner Fishbeck's concerns.

H. STAFF BRIEFINGS, PRESENTATIONS, AND OR REPORTS

- 1. Drought Monthly Update
 Teresa Lutes presented the information and addressed the Commissioners questions
 and concerns.
- 2. WTP4 Monthly Report Bill Stauber presented the information and addressed the Commissioners questions and concerns.
- AWU Monthly Financial Status Report
 David Anders presented the information and addressed the Commissioners questions and concerns.

I. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

J. ADJOURN - Vice Chair Lee adjourned the meeting at 7:40pm without objection.

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