



City of Denton
MINUTES
PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD

City Hall
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Monday, February 26, 2018

6:00pm

City Council Work Session Room

After determining that a quorum of the Public Utilities Board of the City of Denton, Texas is present, the Chair of the Public Utilities Board will thereafter convene into an open meeting on Monday, February 26, 2018 at 6:00p.m. in the Council Work Session Room at City Hall, 215 E. McKinney Street, Denton, Texas

Board Members: Chair Randy Robinson, Vice Chair Susan Parker, Brendan Carroll, Lilia Bynum, Charles Jackson, Allen Bishop and Deb Armintor

Ex Officio Members: Todd Hileman, City Manager and Mario Canizares, Assistant City Manager

REGULAR MEETING

1. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. PUB18-028** - Consider recommending adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton authorizing an agreement between the City of Denton, Texas and Keep Denton Beautiful, Inc. for the sponsorship of the Great American Cleanup, Denton Redbud Festival, Community Tree Giveaway, Neighborhood Beautification Grants, Environmental Education Grants, and Mural Art Initiative; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing for an effective date. (\$11,500).

Pulled by Board Member Armintor. Armintor asked staff what the new guidelines are about sponsorships and how this complies with the guidelines.

Bryan Langley answered they crafted the sponsorship policy to be considered for tax exempt entities they would be organizations that did not discriminate based on the usual categories. They would further a charitable cause, public interest and would be required to recognize the City and/or DME. There was a stipulation that anything over \$2,500 would come back to this Board and Council. There will also be a quarterly reporting. Chair Robinson stated that he noticed on the AIS it has the key focus as safe livable and family friendly is that the arching tie to the community. Langley agreed it is related to public interest to make the city a better place and DME has a long standing relationship of supporting KDB.

Armintor thought that KDB was going to be sponsored by Solid Waste. Langley answered that Solid Waste pays for staff some staff. Armintor then stated that it seems like the Arts should fund the Mural Art Initiative. Langley stated that the Arts budget has two sources of funding, one is the hot Funds and bond funds, and there are not any funds specifically for this.

Robinson stated that when KDB became part of Solid Waste there was a report of how the funds that go to KDB are leveraged. They do raise a lot more money on the private side.

Armintor asked if KDB could be sustained through Solid Waste or the general fund as opposed to DME. Langley stated that the KDB function is being paid by Solid Waste.

Carroll stated that \$11,500 does not sustain KDB. Langley agreed.

There was a motion by Board Member Bynum with a second by Board Member Bishop to approve item PUB18-028. Vote 6-1 approved.

- B. PUB18-036** - Consider recommending adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to execute a contract through the Buy Board Cooperative Purchasing Network Contract# 521-16 for the acquisition of one (1) Altec model AM60 Articulating Over-center Aerial truck for \$236,005 and one (1) Altec model TA60 Articulating Telescopic Aerial truck for \$236,948 for the Denton Municipal Electric Distribution Department; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (File 6739 - awarded to Freightliner of Austin, in the amount of \$472,953).

There was a motion by Board Member Jackson with a second by Board Member Parker to approve item PUB18-036. Vote 7-0 approved.

- C. PUB18-039** - Consider recommending adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton authorizing an agreement between the City of Denton, Texas and Texas Filmmakers Corporation for the sponsorship of the Thin Line Festival; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing for an effective date. (\$5,000)

Pulled by Board Member Armintor. Armintor was not clear why DME sponsors this event. Would like staff to look into funding through General Funds or Arts Funds.

Parker stated wasn't the reason that DME has the sponsorships is to be like other utilities. Langley answered yes that was part of the discussion with this Board and Council. The consensus was yes we do want to do the sponsorships.

Robinson added this investment is good for the community.

There was a motion by Board Member Parker with a second by Board Member Bynum to approve item PUB18-039. Vote 6-1 approved.

2. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

- A. PUB18-033** Consider approval of the Public Utilities Board Meeting minutes of February 12, 2018.

Approved.

- B. PUB18-025** Consider recommending adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, rejecting all bids received under IFB 6621 – purchase of 138kv circuit breakers and maintenance parts - pursuant to section 252.043 (f), Local Government Code; authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, the authority to enter into a contract with the Lower Colorado River Authority, through an Interlocal Cooperative Purchasing Program participation agreement pursuant to section 271.102 of the Texas Local Government Code, for the purchase of high voltage circuit breakers for Denton Municipal Electric; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; providing an effective date (File 6621-Interlocal Cooperative Purchasing Program participation agreement for the purchase of electrical equipment with the Lower Colorado River Authority awarded to Siemens Industry, Inc. In the not to exceed amount of \$2,200,000).

Chuck Sears gave the presentation. Sears had circuit breakers that he showed the Board for reference and showed photos of the 138kV Circuit Breakers.

Sears then explained that circuit breakers are the devices that are used to protect electrical circuits from damage caused by overloads or short circuits. Their basic function is to interrupt the flow of current after a fault is detected to prevent damage to equipment, structures and personnel. Unlike a fuse, which operates once and then must be replaced, a circuit breaker can be reset to resume normal operation after the fault is cleared. Sears showed a schematic of the circuit breakers in a substation.

DME currently has 94 138kV circuit breakers in service, 86 of these are Siemens SPS2 breakers. The advantage of like circuit breakers include familiarity with mechanisms and maintenance procedures for DME personnel. Also same type retrofit in the event that a breaker must be replaced.

The recommendation is to approve the contract in an amount not to exceed \$2,200,000. This is a blanket purchase agreement and does not require expenditure of any minimum amount. Purchase orders will be issued based on an as need basis.

Carroll asked about the pricing tabulation sheet. The maintenance parts do not appear on the circuit breakers, we don't need those parts? Sears answered the maintenance parts are purchased when needed and are generally available.

Armintor asked if circuit breakers are generally the same made be different vendors. Sears answered they look generally the same but just like Fords and Chevrolets the parts are not interchangeable.

Parker why did we go out for bid if we have for a cooperative agreement. Sears answered he believes it was so purchasing could get the best pricing and verify against other vendors. Todd Hileman agreed recently there have been a few bids with cooperatives that have come in higher and they have lowered their prices.

There was a motion by Board Member Armintor with a second by Board Member Jackson to approve item PUB18-025. Vote 7-0 approved.

- C. PUB18-034** ACM Update:
1. Orenstein Email and Response
 2. Future Agenda Items
 3. Matrix

CONCLUDING ITEMS

Under Section 551.042 of the Texas Open Meetings Act, respond to inquiries from the Public Utilities Board or the public with specific factual information or recitation of policy, or accept a proposal to place the matter on the agenda for an upcoming meeting AND Under Section 551.0415 of the Texas Open Meetings Act, provide reports about items of community interest regarding which no action will be taken, to include: expressions of thanks, congratulations, or condolence; information regarding holiday schedules; an honorary or salutary recognition of a public official, public employee, or other citizen; a reminder about an upcoming event organized or sponsored by the governing body; information regarding a social, ceremonial, or community event organized or sponsored by an entity other than the governing body that was attended or is scheduled to be attended by a member of the governing body or an official or employee of the municipality; or an announcement involving an imminent threat to the public health and safety of people in the municipality that has arisen after the posting of the agenda

Carroll – Update on plans to close Gibbons Creek.

Jackson – Update presentation regarding construction of transmission lines and substations

Adjournment: 6:37pm

Approved March 26, 2018.