

CITY OF DENTON PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD MINUTES

June 12, 2023

After determining that a quorum was present of the Public Utilities Board of the City of Denton, convened in a Regular Meeting on Monday, June 12, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Work Session Room at City Hall, 215 E. McKinney Street, Denton, Texas.

PRESENT: Chair Susan Parker, Vice Chair Billy Cheek, Barbara Russell, Devin Taylor, and Thomas Plock

Also present: General Manager Antonio Puente and Deputy City Attorney Marcella Lunn

Absent: Lee Riback

REGULAR MEETING

1. PRESENTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

There were no public comments.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda consisted of Items 2 A-F.

Board Member Taylor moved to recommend adoption of agenda items 2 B-F. Motion seconded by Board Member Cheek; motion carried.

YES (6): Chair Susan Parker, Vice Chair Billy Cheek, Barbara Russell, Devin Taylor, and Thomas Plock

NO (0):

A. PUB23-102 Consider recommending adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, ratifying the approval of a first amendment to a contract between the City of Denton and Stella-Jones Corporation, amending the contract approved by the City Council on September 18, 2018, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$2,500,000.00; said first amendment for the emergency purchase of wood poles for Denton Municipal Electric; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (IFB 6813 - providing for an additional first amendment expenditure amount not-to-exceed \$625,000.00, with the total contract amount not-to-exceed \$3,125,000.00).

This item was pulled by Board Member Cheek for questions. Randy Key answered the questions and Antonio Puente gave more information.

Board Member Cheek moved to recommend adoption of agenda items 2 B-F. Motion seconded by Board Member Russell; motion carried.

YES (6): Chair Susan Parker, Vice Chair Billy Cheek, Barbara Russell, Devin Taylor, and Thomas Plock

NO (0):

- B. PUB23-104** Consider recommending adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Southern Petroleum Laboratories, Inc. dba SPL, INC., for lab analysis for the Municipal Laboratory, Industrial Pretreatment, and Watershed Protection Departments; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (RFP 8134 - awarded to Southern Petroleum Laboratories, Inc. dba SPL, INC., for three (3) years, with the option for two (2) additional one (1) year extensions, in the total five (5) year not-to-exceed amount of \$485,200.00).
- C. PUB23-105** Consider recommending adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, rejecting any and all competitive bids under IFB 8200 for AUMA Actuators Service and Equipment for the Water Production department; and providing an effective date (IFB 8200).
- D. PUB23-106** Consider recommending adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, rejecting any and all competitive proposals under RFP 8212 for the bulk bleach tanks for the Ray Roberts Water Treatment Plant (RRWTP) Temporary Chlorine Conversion Project for the Water Production Department; and providing an effective date (RFP 8212).
- E. PUB23-107** Consider recommending adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the City Manager to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Pipeline Analysis, LLC, for the Capacity, Management, Operations, and Maintenance Plan for the sanitary sewer and water system for the Wastewater Collections Department as set forth in the contract; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (RFQ 8217 - Professional Services Agreement for professional services awarded to Pipeline Analysis, LLC, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$87,167.00).
- F. PUB23-108** Consider recommending adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Caterpillar Inc., through the Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Network Contract Number 032119-CAT, for the acquisition of one (1) Caterpillar model 627 Wheel Tractor Scraper for the Solid Waste Department; authorizing the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (File 8266 - awarded to Caterpillar Inc., in the not-to-exceed amount of \$1,389,300.00).

3. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

- A. PUB23-109** Consider approval of the May 22, 2023, minutes.

Board Member Russell moved to recommend approval of agenda item 3A. Motion seconded by Board Member Cheek; motion carried.

YES (6): Chair Susan Parker, Vice Chair Billy Cheek, Barbara Russell, Devin Taylor, Lee Riback and Thomas Plock

NO (0):

- B. PUB23-103** Consider recommending adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Mountain Cascade of Texas, LLC, for the construction and movement of public water/wastewater utilities in support of the Texas Department of Transportation's I-35 widening from US-380 to Milam Road for the Capital Projects Department; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (RFQ 7968-003 - awarded to Mountain Cascade of Texas, LLC, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$17,109,084.30).

Cole Tankersley, Project Manager, gave the presentation for this item. There were questions by the board members that staff answered.

Board Member Cheek moved to recommend approval of agenda item 3B. Motion seconded by Board Member Russell; motion carried.

YES (6): Chair Susan Parker, Vice Chair Billy Cheek, Barbara Russell, Devin Taylor, Lee Riback and Thomas Plock

NO (0):

C. PUB23-110 Management Reports

1. North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) FY2024 to 2025 grant submission for Styrofoam densifier
2. Future Agenda Items
3. New Business Action Items

4. CONCLUDING ITEMS

Antonio Puente reminded the PUB Members whose terms are ending to reach out to City Secretary's office if they have any questions.

WORK SESSION

- A. PUB23-025** Receive a report, hold a discussion, and give direction regarding Customer Service, Electric, and Environmental Services & Sustainability FY 2023-24 Preliminary Budgets.

Crista Foster started the presentation for Customer Service that included the strategic initiatives. Danielle Stanford gave the financial information.

Michael Gange started the presentation for Environmental Services & Sustainability that included the strategic initiatives. Danielle Stanford gave the financial information.

Before the DME budget presentation the Board Meeting went into a Closed Meeting with the following caption.

CLOSED MEETING

A. PUB23-111 Deliberations Regarding Certain Public Power Utilities: Competitive Matters - Under Texas Government Code Section 551.086; Consultation with Attorneys - Under Texas Government Code Section 551.071.

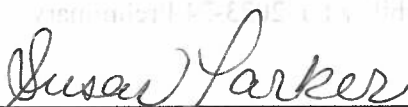
Receive information from staff regarding financial matters regarding the FY 23-24 budget including competitive financial matters related to the data center (Core Scientific) and transmission cost of service; discuss, deliberate, and provide direction to staff regarding same. Consultation with City's attorneys regarding legal issues associated the above matter where a public discussion of these legal matters would conflict with the duty of the City's attorneys to the City of Denton and the Denton City Council under Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of State Bar of Texas, or would jeopardize the City's legal position in any administrative proceeding or potential litigation.


After the closed meeting was complete, the regular meeting continued with information regarding the DME budget.

Terry Naulty started the presentation for DME that included the strategic initiatives. Danielle Stanford gave the financial information.

There were questions by the Board Members that staff answered on all the budget items.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:58 AM.


SUSAN PARKER
CHAIR
CITY OF DENTON, TEXAS


KIM MANKIN
UTILITIES ADMIN MANAGER
CITY OF DENTON, TEXAS

Minutes approved on: June 26, 2023.