

CITY OF DENTON PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD MINUTES

October 23, 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, October 9, 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, Devin Taylor, Thomas Plock, Lee Riback and Robert Rayner

Also present: General Manager Antonio Puente and Deputy City Attorney Amanda Brown

Absent: Vice Chair Billy Cheek

REGULAR MEETING

1. PRESENTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Mr. Don Merki, 2005 Hollyhill Ln., was present to talk about agenda item PUB23-192. He is in opposition of the contract with Blink Network LLC, for Electric Vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure for the Environmental Services and Sustainability Department.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda consisted of Items 2 A - G

Board Member Taylor moved to recommend adoption of agenda items 2 A-D, and F.

Motion seconded by Board Member Plock; motion carried.

YES (5): Chair Susan Parker, Devin Taylor, Thomas Plock, Lee Riback and Robert Rayner

NO (0):

- A. PUB23-188** Consider recommending adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, authorizing the City Manager to execute a First Amendment to Solid Waste Disposal Contract with Rhino; and providing an effective date.
- B. PUB23-189** Consider recommending adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the approval of a first amendment to a contract between the City of Denton and Thelin Recycling Company, LP, amending the contract approved by the City Council on August 13, 2019, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$1,150,000.00; said first amendment to continue to provide brush and wood grinding services for the Beneficial Reuse Department; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (RFP 7085 - providing for an additional first amendment expenditure amount not-to-exceed \$287,500, with the total contract amount not-to-exceed \$1,437,500.00).

- C. PUB23-190** Consider recommending adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the approval of a first amendment to a contract between the City of Denton and Anixter, Inc., amending the contract approved by City Council on February 4, 2020, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$8,000,000.00; said first amendment to continue to purchase electric utility pad-mounted switchgears for Denton Municipal Electric and extend the contract through August 4, 2024; providing for the expenditure of funds therefore; and providing an effective date (RFP 7126 - providing for an additional first amendment expenditure amount not-to-exceed \$2,000,000.00, with the total contract amount not-to-exceed \$10,000,000.00 and extending the contract to August 4, 2024).
- D. PUB23-191** Consider recommending adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, a Texas home-rule municipal corporation, authorizing the approval of a first amendment to a contract between the City of Denton and Xylem Water Solutions USA, Inc., amending the contract approved by the City Council on February 18, 2020, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$1,000,000.00; said first amendment to continue to purchase Flygt pumps, equipment, parts, supplies, and services to operate and maintain the City of Denton sewage pumping stations and treatment plants for the Water Reclamation Department; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (File 7172 - providing for an additional first amendment expenditure amount not-to-exceed \$250,000.00, with the total contract amount not-to-exceed \$1,250,000.00).
- E. PUB23-192** 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 Blink Network LLC, for Electric Vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure for the Environmental Services and Sustainability Department; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (RFP 8297 - awarded to Blink Network LLC, in the three (3) year not-to-exceed amount of \$228,500.00).

This item was pulled by Board Member Riback; Board Member Rayner and Board Member Taylor asked questions as well. Director Michael Gange was present to answer the questions.

Board Member Taylor moved to recommend approval of agenda item 2E. Motion seconded by Board Member Riback; motion carried.

YES (5): Chair Susan Parker, Devin Taylor, Thomas Plock, Lee Riback and Robert Rayner

NO (0):

- F. PUB23-193** 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 Prolec-GE Waukesha, Inc., for the purchase of one (1) Substation Power Transformer for Denton Municipal Electric, providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (RFP 8155 - awarded to Prolec-GE Waukesha, Inc., in the not-to-exceed amount of \$2,260,412.00).

- G. PUB23-194** 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 SAE Towers LTD, for the purchase of galvanized steel transmission poles, anchor cages, and associated hardware for Denton Municipal Electric; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (RFP 8270 - awarded to SAE Towers LTD, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$5,609,888.00).

Board Member Riback pulled this item for questions. Cody Tenorio and Mark Zimmerer was present to answer.

Board Member Riback moved to recommend approval of agenda item 2G. Motion seconded by Board Member Rayner; motion carried.

YES (5): Chair Susan Parker, Devin Taylor, Thomas Plock, Lee Riback and Robert Rayner

NO (0):

3. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

- A. PUB23-196** Consider approval of the October 9, 2023, minutes.

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

YES (5): Chair Susan Parker, Devin Taylor, Thomas Plock, Lee Riback and Robert Rayner

NO (0):

- B. PUB23-135** Consider recommending adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton to declare the intent to reimburse capital program expenditures of General Government (\$115,883,425), the Solid Waste Utility (\$7,080,000), the Water Utility (\$82,751,072), the Wastewater Utility (\$55,960,396), and the Electric Utility (\$82,549,689) with Tax-Preferred Obligations (Certificates of Obligation and General Obligation Bonds) with an aggregate maximum principal amount not to exceed \$344,224,582; and providing an effective date.

Randee Klingele gave the presentation for this agenda item. There were questions by the Board Members that Klingele answered.

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

YES (5): Chair Susan Parker, Devin Taylor, Thomas Plock, Lee Riback and Robert Rayner

NO (0):

- C. PUB23-183** Consider recommending adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton, Texas authorizing the expenditure of funds for the payment of wholesale transmission charges in the total amount of \$7,064,597.73, and providing an effective date.

Vis Bouaphanthavong gave the presentation. There were questions by the Board Members that Bouaphanthavong answered. Antonion Puente also answered questions.

Board Member Taylor moved to recommend approval of agenda item 3C. Motion seconded by Board Member Plock; motion carried.

YES (5): Chair Susan Parker, Devin Taylor, Thomas Plock, Lee Riback and Robert Rayner

NO (0):

- D. PUB23-195** 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 Felix Construction Company, for the Robson Ranch Water Reclamation Plant Lift Station Conversion Phase I for the Water Utilities Department; providing for the expenditure of funds therefor; and providing an effective date (CSP 8250 - awarded to Felix Construction Company, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$2,962,148.20).

David Brown gave the presentation. There were questions by the Board Members that Brown answered.

Board Member Plock moved to recommend approval of agenda item 3D. Motion seconded by Board Member Riback; motion carried.

YES (4): Devin Taylor, Thomas Plock, Lee Riback and Robert Rayner

NO (0):

Abstain (1): Chair Susan Parker

E. PUB23-197 Management Reports

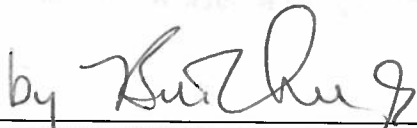
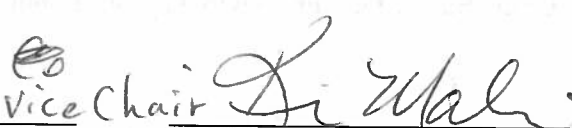
1. Spencer Generating Plant Response
2. Future Agenda Items
3. New Business Action Items

4. CONCLUDING ITEMS

Board Member Taylor – a comparison of our experience with EVs vs Combustion Engine cars and trucks.

Board Member Riback – City's use of 3rd party software and what preventive measures are in place to safeguard data and customer information.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:50 AM.

 _____ SUSAN PARKER CHAIR CITY OF DENTON, TEXAS	 _____ KIM MANKIN UTILITIES ADMIN MANAGER CITY OF DENTON, TEXAS
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Minutes approved on: November 13, 2023.