



DeKalb County Government

1300 Commerce Drive
Decatur, Georgia 30030

Minutes

PWI-Public Works & Infrastructure Committee

Tuesday, February 15, 2022

3:30 PM

This meeting will be conducted via teleconference (Zoom). Simultaneous public access to the meeting will be available

(1) via live stream on DCTV's webpage,

(2) on DCTVChannel23.TV

Meeting Started At: 3:56 PM

Attendees: Commissioners Cochran-Johnson, Terry, Rader

Present 2 - Commissioner Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, and Commissioner Ted Terry

Absent 1 - Commissioner Robert Patrick

I. MINUTES

2022-1217 Commission District(s): ALL
Minutes for the February 1, 2022 Public Works and Infrastructure Committee Meeting

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Patrick

II. DISCUSSION

Capacity Assurance Banking Credit Program

-Information presented by Maria Houser

Question LCJ: this presentation seems focused on Snapfinger but is this issue not County-wide?

M Houser: We have a model that shows the issue county-wide every model area has developments that are currently pending.

Question LCJ: Can you define what you mean by Community enhancements

M Houser: it incorporates affordable and low income housing, school districts health clinics and opportunity zones as dedicated by the federal Government. It's an opportunity to encourage development

Question TT: Snapfinger was 800 units?

M Houser: that is correct multifamily units and some single family units. Over 80% of request are for housing

Question TT: do you have similar analysis for the other basins? I know time is of the essence what is the logistics will this be reoccurring for PWI?

M Houser: yes and we can forward that information as well. We will be engaging with large developments and try to draft an agreement.

We are working with Law to figure out contracting details , specifically if we need any ordinance revision to code 25-177. Now that we are certified with the EPA and EPD we are ready to move quickly.

-additional information presented by Matt Welch

Question TT: Is this mostly law department work to bring it over the finish line or does Watershed Budget cover it?

V Ernstes: we have developed template contracts and are hoping minimum work will be needed to complete projects

FY22 Proposed Department Budget

Public Works

Question JR: are there additional asks outside of the proposed budget?

COO Williams: each of these departments are able to manage with the budget they have. We will provide the handouts and if there are any further questions we will be available

Roads & Drainage

-information presented by Director Peggy Allen & Richard Lemke

Question TT: How long will the Storm Water master plan take to complete

R Lemke: I do not have a set timeline yet we are still trying to compile the data and start the analysis. Once I have a schedule from the consultant I will circulate it

Question TT: in terms of your department is there any capacity to pursue grants that might be available?

P Allen: we regularly apply for grants one of the projects mentioned have federal reimbursement behind it. We apply for grants to help with our floodplain funding

COO Williams: we are always open to new opportunities

Question LCJ: regarding federal funds, does the administration have a formal reply regarding the letter that was sent by congressman Hank Johnson regarding the I-285 and I- 20 interchange? it was sent last week.

COO Williams: I am not familiar

LCJ: this was sent from the federal level to GDOT to hold on approval until rail has been extended in DeKalb. IT recognized the locally preferred option of heavy rail but not excluding light rail an other modes or rapid transportation. I'd like us to take a look at it because I don't know the full extent of the impact but it does request a halt to that project.

Question TT: We need to look at what a local match would be for transit. I don't want to be put in a position where we are late to request the federal funds available. Regarding the road striping mentioned in the presentation is there currently a work plan for the road striping?

P Allen: we do have a wait list of roads. Our transportation received state funding for striping. We did 10 miles last year and we are working through our document.

LCJ: we passed the contract for roads striping last year. GDOT has expressed a storage of companies that could stripe roads. We should continue to send those and you are correcting a priority list?

P Allen: you are correct. We are down to one contractor and we utilized that contract fully plus did a change order to extend it. We are responsible for about 2,000 miles or road.

Question JR: We used to do a specific focus on Schools and every year before the new school year the county did work to inspect and refresh school crossings. Do we still prioritize school zones on an annual basis?

P Allen: we used to have an officer assigned to us to help with that project we no longer have that officer but we do prioritize school zones.

Question TT: Does the budget also incorporate reflectors for safety?

P Allen: yes those are line items in the budget, it does get expensive.

TT: I asked Chief Ramos to send over high crash areas, maybe we could prioritize placing reflectors within areas where crashes are taking place

P Allen: we can take a look but as the need grows so the does the demand for products

Question TT: does SPLOST not cover this?

P Allen: it does not

COO Williams: maybe future SPOLST and incorporate sign replacements

LCJ: once a formal recommendation comes back as to what needs to be done we can create a plan on action. It is my understanding roughly 85% of SPLOST is dedicated for roads with the remaining 15% available for CIP

COO Williams: that is correct

Sanitation

-not heard in committee

III. AGENDA ITEM

New Agenda Items:

[2021-3435](#) Commission District(s): All
RA - Hot Asphaltic Mix (Emergency): for use by Public Works - Roads & Drainage (R&D). Consists of multiple asphalt projects throughout DeKalb County. Metro Materials, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$500,000.00

-Item not heard in Committee

[2021-3524](#) Commission District(s): All
LB - Invitation No. 21-101362 Sanitary Sewer Easement Clearing (Three (3) Year Multiyear Contract): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of clearing vegetation along the County's sanitary sewer system easements. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder: Total Outdoor, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed \$6,047,700.00.

-Item not heard in Committee

[2022-1025](#) Commission District(s): All
LB - Invitation No. 21- 101387 Road Construction Signs (Three (3) Year Multiyear Contract): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of providing various road construction signs and sign stands. Recommend award to the sole bidder who is responsive and responsible: Korman Signs, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$614,646.00.

-Item not heard in Committee

[2022-1070](#) Commission District(s): All
RFP - Request for Proposals No. 20-500544 On Call Engineering Services (Multiyear Contract): for use by the Department Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of providing on call engineering services that primarily includes engineering studies, design, land surveying, construction administration, and related services for water and wastewater projects under the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) and Consent Decree (CD). Recommend award to the six (6) highest scoring proposers: Freese and Nichols - Graham Joint Venture; WSP USA, Inc.; Tetra Tech; Brown and Caldwell; CDM Smith, Inc., and Arcadis US, Inc. Total Amount Not to Exceed \$72,000,000.00.

-Item not heard in Committee

[2022-1073](#) Commission District(s): All
LB - Invitation No. 21-101437 Manhole Rings, Covers & Valve Boxes (Three (3) Year Multiyear Contract): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of the purchase of manhole rings, covers and valve boxes. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive, and responsible bidder: Metals & Materials Engineers, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$3,805,500.00.

-Item not heard in Committee

[2022-1095](#) Commission District(s): 3
LB - Invitation No. 21-101434 Quarterly Barscreen and Annual Return Line Cleaning (Three (3) Year Multiyear Contract): for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM). Consists of providing quarterly cleaning of three (3) inclined multi rake bar screens and an annual cleaning of the plant return lines at the Snapfinger Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant. Recommend award to the lowest, responsive, and responsible bidder: Metals & Materials Engineers, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$234,045.00.

-Item not heard in Committee

[2022-1118](#) Commission District(s): All
REN - Furnish and Install Silt Fence, Sandbags, and Straw (Annual Contract - 1st Renewal of 2 Options to Renew): Contract No. 1213591 for use by the Department of Watershed Management (DWM), Public Works - Roads & Drainage (R&D), and Sanitation. Consists of furnishing and installing silt fencing, sandbags, and straw. Awarded to The K&E Group USA, LLC. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$129,000.00

-Item not heard in Committee

[2022-1132](#) Commission District(s): 4
CO - Change Order No. 3 to Contract No. 1171444 for Road Widening, Sidewalks, Bike Lanes (Rockbridge Road - Allgood to Rowland Road) - PI#s 008121/0012789: for use by Public Works - Transportation (PW-T). This contract consists of the widening of Rockbridge Road from Allgood to Rowland Road to allow for the construction of sidewalks and bike lanes. Awarded to E. R. Snell Contractor, Inc. Amount Not To Exceed: \$194,499.40.

-Item not heard in Committee

[2022-1140](#) Commission District(s): 3 & 6
Georgia Department of Transportation Contract Item Agreement - Water and Sewer Facilities Project PI M004842 State Route 54 Connector from State Route 54 in Clayton County to State Route 42 in DeKalb County - Resurfacing

-Item not heard in Committee

[2022-1162](#)

Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 1 to Contract Nos.: 1149581, 1149590 and 1149595 for Tree Cutting and Removal Services (Annual Contract with 2 Options to Renew): for use by the Departments of Watershed (DWM), Facilities Management (FM), Recreation, Parks and Cultural Affairs (RCPA), Public Works - Roads & Drainage (R&D) and Public Works - Beautification (PWB). These contracts consist of providing tree cutting and removal services on an as-needed basis. Awarded to Arborserv, Inc., Casey Tree Experts, Inc. and K2R Legacy Group, LLC. Total Amount Not To Exceed: \$1,888,462.00.

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. to the Board of Commissioners, due back on 2/22/2022. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Patrick

-information presented by Richard Lemke & Chuck Ellis

TT: Aspects of tree removal and clearing is consider invasive species. I think if we took a proactive approach to clearing invasive species it will help us with tree removal 10-15 years down the road. Might be something to consider in the Tree Bank or Tree ordinance

[2022-1163](#)

Commission District(s): All
CA - Cooperative Agreement for Consent Decree: Trenchless Technology Rehabilitation, External Point Repairs, and Related Products and Services (OMNIA Partners Cooperative Purchasing Agreement No. R170802) [DeKalb Cooperative Agreement]: for use by Department of Watershed Management (DWM). The contract consists of providing sewer system trenchless sewer line rehabilitation services. This request is to obtain over 71,000 linear feet of sewer line rehabilitation services; to include inspections, sewer line cleaning, external point repairs, manhole rehabilitation, and cured in place pipe lining. Awarded to SAK Construction, LLC. Amount Not To Exceed: \$8,721,095.58.

-Item not heard in Committee

[2022-1180](#)

Commission District(s): All
CO - Change Order No. 2 to Contract Nos.: 1128170, 1128166, and 1128178 for Professional Inspection Services: for use by Public Works - Roads and Drainage (R&D). These contracts consist of providing on-call professional services to inspect Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4s). Awarded to Lowe Engineers, LLC, Atlas Technical Consultants, LLC, and International Design Services, Inc., d/b/a IDS Global, Inc., for CONTRACT TERM EXTENSION ONLY.

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*Information provided by Richard Lemke Question
LCJ: is it 25,000 or 35,000 catch basins? P Allen:
25,000 catch basins*

Meeting Ended At: 5:13 PM

MOTION was made by Ted Terry, seconded by Lorraine Cochran-Johnson, that this agenda item be adjourned meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Commissioner Cochran-Johnson, and Commissioner Terry

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Patrick

Barbara H. Sanders-Norwood CCC, CMC