



**"RE-BUILDING THE CITY'S WATER SYSTEMS FOR THE 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY"**

# **Sewerage & Water Board OF NEW ORLEANS**

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TO THE HONORABLE PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE SEWERAGE AND WATER BOARD OF NEW ORLEANS

Mesdames and Messieurs:

The Infrastructure Committee met on Wednesday, October 01, 2014 in the 2nd Floor Board Room, 625 St. Joseph Street, New Orleans, LA. with Mrs. Kerri Kane, Dr. Tamika Duplessis, Mr. Alan Arnold and Mr. Joseph Peychaud at approximately 8:00 a.m.

## **Action Items:**

1. The infrastructure Committee report of Wednesday, September 03, 2014 was motioned by Dr. Tamika Duplessis and seconded by Mr. Joseph Peychaud. The motion carried.
2. Approval of Consultants to Provide Engineering and Consulting Services for the Replacement and Rehabilitation of SWBNO Facilities (R-211-2014) was motioned by Mr. Joseph Peychaud and seconded by Mr. Alan Arnold. The motion carried.

At the April 16, 2014 Board meeting, the Board of Directors approved issuing a request for qualification (RFQ) for professional engineering firms to provide engineering and consulting services for the replacement and rehabilitation of Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans. On July 22, 2014, a mandatory pre-submittal meeting was held with over 120 persons in attendance and there were two (2) addendums issued; Addendum 1 on July 25, 2014 and Addendum 2 on August 1, 2014. The Board received 61 submittal of qualifications (SOQs) on August 15, 2014 of which two (2) SOQs were eliminated for non-compliance to the requirements of the RFQ and the remaining 59 SOQ stated that they shall meet or exceed the established DBE participation goal of thirty-five percent (35%). On September 18, 2014, the selection committee composed of the Deputy Director, General Superintendent, Deputy General Superintendent, Network Engineer and Water Purification Superintendent held a public meeting to evaluate and rank the fifty-nine (59) qualified SOQs. The short list was approved as presented for engineering and consulting services for the replacement and rehabilitation of negotiations for projects(s) with the most qualified candidate based upon the firm's ability to perform the work for the project's size and complexity.

## **Presentation Items:**

Deputy General Superintendent Madeline Goddard presented a slide overview regarding the Capital Budget Procedures. The power point covered the Capital Projects Prioritization methodology which is

intended to produce a viable Capital Program within the constraint of available financial resources. The purpose of the procedure is to prioritize all projects included in the 2015-2019 Capital Program and the methodology is based on the Simple Additive Weigh (SAW) method, where the qualitative criterion is multiplied by a given rating and the sum total provides an overall project score.

### **INFORMATION ITEMS – RECEIVED**

3. 2014 Committee/Board Meeting Schedule
4. Response to Questions
5. Any Other Matters

### **Reference Material (In Binders)**

- A. Sewerage and Water Board By-Laws
- B. 2014 Operating & Capital Program
- C. Strategic Plan
- D. Tracking Tool for Commitments to the City Council
- E. Bond Rating
9. Adjournment – The Infrastructure Committee ended at approximately 8:54 a.m.

PRESENT: Mrs. Kerri Kane- Chair  
Dr. Tamika Duplessis  
Mr. Alan Arnold  
Mr. Joseph Peychaud

ABSENT: Mrs. Kimberly Thomas

### **OTHER COMMITTEE/**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: NONE**

Also in attendance were: Cedric S. Grant, Executive Department; Robert Miller, Deputy Director; Joseph Becker, General Superintendent; Madeline Goddard, Deputy General Superintendent; Nolan Lambert, Special Counsel; Brian Ferrara, Legal Department; Willie Mingo, Purchasing Department; Tiffany Carter, EDBP; Anita Simmons, Staff of the Executive Director; Susan Higginbotham, Staff of the Executive Director Office; Brenda Thornton; Dexter Joseph, Planning & Budget Department; Robert Heath, Green Point Engineering; Randy Smith, Royal; Terri Dupre, Myer Engineering; Chincie Mouton, HNTB; Ursula Amihein, Buchait Horn; Amber Tufail, Green Point;

Very truly yours,

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Mrs. Kerri Kane  
Chairperson

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