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# **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:**

A regular meeting of the **Executive Committee** of the Sewerage and Water Board was called to order on Friday, February 6, 2015 at 9:00 AM in the Board Room at 625 St. Joseph Street.

### **ATTENDANCE**

**Present:** Wm. Raymond Manning, Committee Chair  
Alan Arnold  
Marion Bracy  
Kerri Kane

**Also in Attendance:** Cedric S. Grant, Executive Director; Robert Miller, Deputy Director; Nolan Lambert, Legal Counsel; Joseph Becker, General Superintendent; Bobby Nathan, Equal Employment Opportunity Director (EEOC); Willie Mingo, Purchasing Department; Dexter Joseph, Emanuel Lain, Budget Department; Alvin Porter, Economically Disadvantaged Business Program; Kathleen LaFrance, Executive Director's Office; Donald Lambert, Hatch Mott MacDonald; Geneva Coleman, The Hawthorne Agency, Inc.

Staff was unable to establish a quorum for the February 2, 2015 Operations Committee meeting. Therefore, all action items were considered at the Executive Committee meeting.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

#### **1. Approval of Previous Report**

The Executive Committee received the Executive Committee Report of January 9, 2015 for review and action. Mrs. Kerri Kane motioned to accept the report and Mr. Marion Bracy seconded the motion. The motion passed.

#### **2. Bid Recommendations – DBE Participation**

#### **Four (4) Bids were received for YW15-0003 Contract for Furnishing Limestone**

Based upon analysis of SLDBE participation, the Economically Disadvantaged Business Program recommended that the SLDBE participation submitted by SAV Trucking Services, LLC, Qualified Transportation, LLC, Pontchartrain Materials Corporation, LLC be accepted and

The SLDBE participation submitted by Hamp's Enterprises, LLC and Jerome's Enterprises, Inc. be rejected.

Mr. Marion Bracy motioned to accept the Bid Recommendations with DBE Participation re: YW15-0003 Contract for Furnishing Limestone and it was seconded by Mrs. Kerri Kane, and the motion carried.

### 3. **Construction Review Committee Recommendations**

The following recommendations were made by the Construction Review Committee:

- One year contract, no renewal options for Contract #1371 - HMGP Structural General Contract for an estimated cost of \$2,606,307.00.
- One year contract, no renewal options for Contract #1373 - HMGP Steam Turbine #3 Refurbishment for an estimated cost of \$21,178,500.00.
- One year contract, no renewal options for Contract 3737 – Mistletoe Street 18" Sewer Line Replacement for an estimated cost of \$487,230.00.

Mr. Marion Bracy motioned to accept staff recommendations on the above Construction Review Committee Recommendations and Mr. Alan Arnold seconded, and the motion carried.

### 4. **Staff Contract Review Committee Recommendations**

The Staff Contract Review Committee made the following recommendations:

- **One (1) Open Market, 0% SLDBE Participation, one (1) year with one year (1) renewal option.** - Furnishing Air Conditioning and Heating Maintenance for Central Yard
- **One (1) Second and Final Renewal, 35% SLDBE Participation.** - Preparation of the Report on Operations for 2014

Mr. Marion Bracy motioned to accept staff recommendations on the above Staff Contract Review Committee Recommendations and Mrs. Kerri Kane seconded, and the motion carried.

### 5. **Final Acceptance Contracts with DBE Participation**

The Economically Disadvantaged Business Program recommends that the DBE participation on below subject contracts be approved for final acceptance.

- **Contract #2100 – Water Main Point Repair, Water Service Connection, Water Valve, and Fire Hydrant Replacement at Various Locations throughout the City of New Orleans**
- **Contract #8128 – Re-paving Open Cuts in Streets, Driveways, and Sidewalks Resulting from the Repair to the S&WB Underground Utilities**

Mr. Marion Bracy motioned to accept staff recommendations on the above Staff Contract Review Committee Recommendations and Mrs. Kerri Kane seconded, and the motion carried.

## **PRESENTATION ITEMS**

### **6. Topics for Future Discussions**

Mr. Cedric S. Grant stated he will send out letters to the Board Members next week regarding scheduling of the first strategic session. He will propose the session take place on a weekend with at least a 4 to 5 hour block of time.

### **7. Response to Questions**

Mr. Grant reported on the discussion held at the Finance Committee meeting regarding the Board's financial matters. He noted that an analysis of results for pension investments was submitted to the Pension Committee and that the next step will be to revisit the investment policy.

Mr. Arnold emphasized the need for a formalized evaluation of our senior managers particularly related to execution of operating plans performance against budget targets. He also recommended that the materials presented in the bond official statements should be incorporated into the annual reports on an ongoing basis. He stated that he is particularly interested in information on water pumpage and water consumption.

Mr. Grant noted that he intends to approach the Board with a method for staff evaluations. He emphasized that he will be focused on stabilization of finances for the drainage system and preparing for upcoming meetings with the board on staffing issues.

## **INFORMATION ITEMS**

### **8. Tracking Tool for Commitments to the City Council - received**

### **9. EEOC Activity Status Report Y.T.D. - received**

### **10. Any Other Matters - none**

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 10:20 AM.

Very truly yours,

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Wm. Raymond Manning  
Committee Chair