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

The Finance Committee of the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans met on Tuesday, May 5, 2015 at 8:00 a.m. in the Board Room, 625 St. Joseph Street to consider the following matters.

ATTENDANCE

Present:

Mr. Mark Moody
Mr. Wm. Raymond Manning
Ms. Robin Barnes
Mr. Scott Jacobs

Absent:

Ms. Kerri Kane

Also in attendance were Cedric S. Grant, Executive Director; Robert Miller, Deputy Director; Joseph Becker, General Superintendent; Madeline Goddard, Deputy General Superintendent; Nolan Lambert, Special Counsel; Harold Marchand, Deputy Special Counsel; Robert Jackson, Community & Intergovernmental Relations; Hazel Bell, Chief Accountant; Dexter Joseph, Budget Director; Emanuel Lain, Sr., Budget Dept.; Jason Higginbotham, Emergency Management; Willie M. Mingo, Jr., Purchasing Director; Brenda Thornton, CommuniRep, Inc.; Clark Zelenka, Eagan Insurance; Richard Rainey, Royal Engineers; Rosita Thomas, Finance Administrator; Rick Hathaway, HNTB

ACTION ITEMS

Item 1 APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS REPORT

The report of the Regular Finance Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, April 7, 2015 was received. Upon a motion of Mr. Jacobs and seconded by Ms. Barnes, the report was approved.

Item 2 GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

Bids

R-086-2015 – REQ. NO. CD150004 – COLLECTION ENFORCEMENT SERVICES OF DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS

Mr. Becker recommended award of contract to Alplat Company, Inc. at a percentage rate of 11% of delinquent account collections.

R-087-2015 – CONTRACT 1369 – HMGP EMERGENCY FUEL STORAGE RETROFIT POWER PLANT MAIN WATER PURIFICATION PLANT POWER COMPLEX

Mr. Becker recommended award of contract to Lou-Con, Inc. for the total amount of \$7,486,250.00.

R-088-2015 – CONTRACT 1382 – REPLACEMENT OF MEDIA OF FILTERS 1A, 1B, 5A AND 5B AT THE CLAIBORNE FILTERS GALLERY AT THE MAIN WATER PURIFICATION PLANT

Mr. Becker recommended award of contract to Lou-Con, Inc. for the total amount of \$1,079,536.00.

Upon a motion by Mr. Jacobs and seconded by Ms. Barnes, the above recommendations were approved.

Emergency Repair

R-089-2015 – EMERGENCY LETTER BIDS FOR 2015 REWIND OF THE SEWAGE PUMP MOTOR AND CLEANING OF THE DRAINAGE PUMP MOTOR AT DRAINAGE PUMPING STATION D

Mr. Becker recommended ratification of award of Emergency Letter Bid to Integrated Power Services, LLC, in the total net amount of \$304,634.00.

Upon a motion by Ms. Barnes and seconded by Mr. Jacobs, the ratification was approved.

Contract Renewal

R-090-2015 – REQ. NO. YG140061 – FIRST AND FINAL RENEWAL OF CONTRACT FOR FURNISHING AND DELIVERING COMPLETE FLEET TIRE SERVICE

Mr. Becker recommended approval of this first time renewal to Twin Commercial Tire, LLC in the total amount of \$344,199.80.

R-091-2015 – REQ. NO. YW140010 – FIRST AND FINAL RENEWAL OF CONTRACT FOR FURNISHING RIVER SAND, MASON SAND AND WASHED GRAVEL

Mr. Becker recommended approval of this first and only renewal to Blue Ribbon Resources in the total amount of \$225,125.00.

R-092-2015 – REQ. NO. YW140009 – FIRST AND FINAL RENEWAL OF CONTRACT FOR FURNISHING ROUGH PINE AND OAK HARDWOOD LUMBER

Mr. Becker recommended approval of this first and only renewal to All Star Forest Products, Inc. in the total amount of \$63,933.75.

R-093-2015 – REQ. NO. PM130010 – SECOND OF THREE ONE-YEAR RENEWALS OF CONTRACT FOR FURNISHING SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL SERVICES

Mr. Becker recommended approval of this second of three one-year renewals to Richards Disposal, Inc. (RSDI) in the total amount of \$109,356.00.

R-094-2015 – CONTRACT 8138 THIRD AND FINAL RENEWAL OF CONTRACT FOR FURNISHING SKILLED AND UNSKILLED LABOR FOR MAINTENANCE SERVICES

Mr. Becker recommended approval of this third and final one-year renewal to Gee Cee Company of LA Inc. in the total amount of \$2,428,498.00.

Upon a motion by Mr. Jacobs and seconded by Ms. Barnes, the above contracts renewals were approved.

Contract Final Acceptance

R-095-2015 – FINAL ACCEPTANCE AND CLOSE OUT TO CONTRACT 30000 – RESTORATION OF EXISTING GRAVITY SEWER MAINS DAMAGED BY HURRICANE KATRINA BY EXCAVATION AND REPLACEMENT FROM MANHOLE TO MANHOLE, CIPP LINING FROM MANHOLE TO MANHOLE AND POINT REPAIRS AT VARIOUS SITES THROUGHOUT ORLEANS PARISH

Mr. Becker recommended approval of the above contract for acceptance.

Upon a motion by Ms. Barnes and seconded by Mr. Jacobs, the above contract was approved.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT AMENDMENT

R-073-2015 – AMENDMENT NUMBER 4 TO AGREEMENT WITH BLACK AND VEATCH CORPORATION FOR DESIGN AND ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE EBWWTP SLUDGE DRYER PROJECT

Ms. Goddard recommended ratification to the existing agreement with Black and Veatch Corporation for additional design and engineering services to address the new Maximum Available Control Technology regulations for Sewer Sludge Incinerators for the captioned project. The cost to perform the additional scope of work is \$837,374.00 and shall be funded by FEMA and Board system funds.

R-074-2015 – AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT WITH BCG ENGINEERING AND CONSULTING, INC. TO PROVIDE ASSESSMENTS, DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION AND PROGRAM MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR SELA AND THE DRAINAGE PROGRAM

Ms. Goddard recommended ratification to the existing agreement with BCG Engineering and Consulting, Inc. for additional survey services in areas identified for future drainage and green infrastructure improvements for an additional amount not to exceed \$44,685.00. It is expected that the cost for this additional survey work will be recovered with the grant funds dedicated to these drainage and green infrastructure projects.

R-075-2015 – AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT WITH CH2M HILL, INC. FOR PROGRAM MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR HURRICANE RELATED WATER RESTORATION PROJECTS

Ms. Goddard recommended ratification to the existing agreement with CH2M HILL for additional work required as part of their program management services. This work will be completed for an additional amount not to exceed \$1,612,834.00. Funds are available through FEMA and as funded in the SWB Capital Program.

R-076-2015 – AMENDMENT NUMBER 5 TO THE AGREEMENT WITH WALDEMAR S. NELSON AND COMPANY FOR HURRICANE RELATED WATER RESTORATION PROJECTS

Ms. Goddard recommended ratification to the existing agreement with Waldemar S. Nelson and Company for additional costs associated with the design and bidding of SWB contract 1378 which covered the repair of boilers, ducts, and elevator as well as the installation of a Gray Water System at the Carrollton Water Purification Plant. The additional design costs associated with completing this task entailed an additional \$592,273.00 and will be reimbursed by FEMA.

Upon a motion by Ms. Barnes and seconded by Mr. Jacobs, the above amendments were approved.

AWARD OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS

R-078-2015 – AWARD OF CONTRACT TO PROVIDE PHASE I ASSESSMENT SERVICES FOR THE SEWER PUMP STATIONS CATCH-ALL PROJECT

Ms. Goddard recommended award of contract to Burk-Kleinpeter, Inc. to provide an assessment of sewer pump stations, identifying all issues not originally funded by FEMA, for an amount not to exceed \$21,207.60.

R-079-2015 – AWARD OF CONTRACT TO PROVIDE DESIGN AND ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR BROAD STREET DRAINAGE UNDERPASS STATION

Ms. Goddard recommended award of contract to provide design and engineering services for Broad Street drainage underpass station. The scope of services shall include providing design and bidding services for the replacement of pumps damaged by Hurricane Katrina as well as additional worn items as identified by staff that will not be FEMA eligible, all for an amount not to exceed \$57,000.00.

R-080-2015 – AWARD OF CONTRACT TO PROVIDE ARC FLASH ANALYSIS, ASSESSMENT OF STORAGE TANK MIXING AND LAUNDER TROUGH REPLACEMENT

Ms. Goddard recommended award of contract to HNTB Corporation to provide arc analysis at specific electrical facilities at the Carrollton Water Treatment Plant, assessment of storage tank mixing at both Water Treatment Plants, and provide design and engineering services for replacement of the launder troughs at the Algiers Water Treatment Plant for an amount not to exceed \$811,455.00.

R-081-2015 – AWARD OF CONTRACT TO PROVIDE DESIGN AND ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR SOUTH CARROLLTON BULK CHEMICAL STORAGE AND FEED FACILITY

Ms. Goddard recommended award of contract to Stanley Consulting to perform preliminary engineering analysis, including site survey, geotechnical and non-destructive testing, to define the final scope of service for an amount not to exceed \$60,786.00.

Upon a motion by Mr. Jacobs and seconded by Ms. Barnes, the above awards of contracts were approved.

R-082-2015 - COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE NEW ORLEANS REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AND THE SEWERAGE AND WATER BOARD OF NEW ORLEANS FOR GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

Ms. Goddard recommended that the Board approve entering into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with NORA for planning and implementation of the green infrastructure projects which will not require the dedication of SWB funds.

Upon a motion by Ms. Barnes and seconded by Mr. Jacobs, the above contract was approved.

Item 3

CHANGE ORDER

R-083-2015 – RATIFICATION OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 11 FOR CONTRACT 3661 – MODIFICATIONS TO EAST BANK WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT FLOOD PROTECTION SYSTEM

Mr. Becker recommended ratification of change order no. 11 for contract 3661 – Modifications to East Bank Waste Water Treatment Plant Flood Protection System in the amount of \$341,096.00.

Upon a motion by Ms. Barnes and seconded by Mr. Jacobs, the above ratification was approved.

Item 4

R-071-2015 – COMMERCIAL INSURANCE POLICY FOR AUTOMOBILE FLEET LIABILITY

Mr. Miller recommended the renewal of Fleet Liability Insurance and Fleet Excess Liability Insurance with Genesis as the incumbent for the primary coverage, and with RSUI and Endurance sharing the excess coverage for the total premium of \$583,615.00.

Upon a motion by Mr. Jacobs and seconded by Ms. Barnes, the above renewal was approved.

Item 5

R-084-2015 – AWARD OF CONTRACT TO THE LAW FIRM OF PHELPS DUNBAR TO REPRESENT THE SEWERAGE AND WATER BOARD OF NEW ORLEANS IN CONSTRUCTION LITIGATION MATTER

Mr. Lambert recommended the Board enter into an agreement with Phelps Dunbar to represent the Board in the construction litigation matters for the rate of \$175.00 per hour.

Upon a motion by Ms. Barnes and seconded by Mr. Jacobs, the award of contract was approved.

Item 6

R-085-2015 –SEWERAGE AND WATER BOARD’S 2015 CONTRIBUTION TO THE EMPLOYEE’S RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF SEWERAGE AND WATER BOARD OF NEW ORLEANS

Mr. Miller recommended approval of the Sewerage and Water Board’s 2015 contribution to the employee’s retirement system of Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans that a minimum employer contribution of the active payroll shall be 22.573% for the plan year beginning January 1, 2015.

Upon a motion by Mr. Jacobs and seconded by Ms. Barnes, the above resolution was approved.

Item 7

BOND FEASIBILITY STUDIES

R-096-2015 – AMENDMENT NUMBER 6 TO EXISTING CONTRACT WITH RAFTERLIS FINANCIAL CONSULTANTS INC. and R-097-2015 – AMENDMENT NUMBER 2 TO EXISTING CONTRACT WITH BLACK & VEATCH

Mr. Miller recommended Raftelis Financial Consultants, Inc. to perform a bond feasibility study of adequacy of finance and rate for a total cost of \$181,578. Mr. Miller also recommended Black and Veatch to perform a bond feasibility study of adequacy of engineering and operations for a total cost of \$144,000.

Upon a motion by Ms. Barnes and seconded by Mr. Jacobs, the amendments to the existing contracts were approved.

Item 8

EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved by Mr. Jacobs and seconded by Ms. Barnes to move to Executive Session to discuss matters under litigation.

The motion carried and the Committee went into closed session at 9:05 am.

The Committee returned from closed session at 9:20 am. It was motioned by Mr. Jacobs, and seconded by Ms. Barnes to move back to regular session. The motion carried.

Upon a motion by Mr. Jacobs and seconded by Ms. Barnes, it was moved to accept staff recommendation regarding contract 3667, Plum Orchard Station.

PRESENTATION ITEMS

Item 9

FINANCIAL RESULTS THROUGH MARCH 2015

Mr. Miller presented the Financial Reports through March 2015

Item 10 TOPICS FOR FUTURE DISCUSSIONS

None

Item 11 RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS

None

INFORMATION ITEMS

Item 12 CHANGE ORDER ANALYSIS

The committee received the report.

Item 13 FEMA PROJECT WORKSHEET STATUS

The committee received the report.

Item 14 2015 COMMITTEE/BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

The committee received the report.

Item 15 ANY OTHER MATTERS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Jacobs moved for adjournment and Ms. Barnes seconded. The Finance Committee adjourned at 9:25 a.m.

REFERENCE MATERIAL (IN BINDERS)

- A. Sewerage & Water Board By-Laws
- B. 2015 Operating & Capital Budgets
- C. Strategic Plan
- D. Tracking Tool for Commitments to the City Council
- E. Bond Rating

Respectfully submitted,

Mr. Mark Moody, Chair