



The Water and Wastewater Commission convened in a regular meeting on August 10, 2011 at Waller Creek Center, 624 East 10th Street, Room 104, in Austin, Texas.

Commission Members in Attendance:

Chair Mario Espinoza, Vice Chair Gwen Webb, Mickey Fishbeck, Aaron Googins, P.E., Dale Gray, P.E., Chien Lee, P.E., and Sarah Faust.

Staff in Attendance:

Greg Meszaros, Director, David Anders, Jane Burazer, Gopal Guthikonda, Dave Juarez, Tony Lopez, Demira Wyatt, Aldo Ranzani, Kevin Critendon, Randy Harvey, George Parton, Richard Duane, Greg Johnstn, Phillip Jaeger, Steve Parks, Willy Conrad, Dan Pedersen, Seyed Miri, Mark Dollins, Yvonne Gil, Bill Stauber, Michael Castillo, Bart Jennings, Christopher Newton, Brian Long, Denise Avery and Felicia Cancino

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Espinoza called the meeting to order at 6:01pm.

B. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

None

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The meeting minutes from the July 13, 2011 Water and Wastewater Commission regular meeting were approved on Commissioner Lee's motion and Commissioner Googins' second. Commissioners consenting were Lee, Googins, Espinosa, Gray, Fishbeck and Faust. Commissioner Webb abstained due to her absence of this meeting.

The meeting minutes from the July 28, 2011 Water and Wastewater Commission Budget Committee meeting were approved on Commissioner Gray's motion and Commissioner Googins' second. Commissioners consenting were Gray, Googins, and Fishbeck. Commissioner Webb abstained due to her absence from the meeting and Commissioner's Lee, Espinoza and Faust abstained because they are not members of the Budget Committee.

D. ITEMS FOR COMMISSION'S REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL TO CITY COUNCIL

Commissioner's consented on item 1, 15, 18, 19, 20 and 22.

Commissioner's pulled items 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 21 and 23 for discussion.

1. Recommend approval for Amendment No. 1 to a supply requirements contract with **BADGERMETER, INC.**, Milwaukee, WI for badger meter repair parts for the Austin Water Utility, to exercise the first extension option in an estimated amount not to exceed \$15,000, and two additional extension options an estimated amount not to exceed \$15,000 per option, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$90,000.
Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Webb's motion and Commissioner Fishbeck's second.
2. Recommend approval to award and execute Amendment No. 3 to a contract with **NATIONAL WORKS, INC.**, New Braunfels, TX for additional services for cleaning and inspection of large diameter sanitary sewer collection system lines for the Austin Water Utility in an amount not to exceed \$125,164.25 for a revised contract amount of \$625,821.25, for a revised total agreement amount not to exceed \$1,672,842.75.
Item passed on Commissioner Googins' motion and Commissioner Gray's second. Commissioners consenting were Googins, Gray, Faust, Fishbeck, Lee and Espinoza. Commissioner Webb abstained.
3. Recommend approval to award and execute a contract through the Texas Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (BuyBoard) with **PHILPOTT MOTORS, LTD**, Nederland, TX, for the purchase of thirty-two light-duty pick up trucks in an amount not to exceed \$728,744.60. **Item passed on Commissioner Googins' motion and Commissioner Gray's second. Commissioners consenting were Googins, Gray, Faust, Fishbeck, Lee and Espinoza. Commissioner Webb abstained.**
4. Recommend approval to award and execute a contract through the Texas Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (BuyBoard) with **PHILPOTT MOTORS, LTD.**, Nederland, TX, for the purchase of 38 medium-duty service vehicles in an amount not to exceed \$1,594,729.60. **Item passed on Commissioner Googins' motion and Commissioner Gray's second. Commissioners consenting were Googins, Gray, Faust, Fishbeck, Lee and Espinoza. Commissioner Webb abstained.**
5. Recommend approval to award and execute a contract with **ATLAS COPCO COMPTTEC, LLC.**, Voorheesville, NY for the one-time purchase of replacement blower parts for the Austin Water Utility in an amount not to exceed \$112,857. Atlas Copco Compttec LLC is the sole source provider for these products. **Item passed on Commissioner Googins' motion and Commissioner Gray's second. Commissioners consenting were Googins, Gray, Faust, Fishbeck, Lee and Espinoza. Commissioner Webb abstained.**

6. Recommend approval to award and execute a contract with **HILL COUNTRY FENCE, INC.**, Spicewood, TX for the purchase and installation of fence at the Balcones Canyonlands Preserve, Ivanhoe & Long Canyon for the Austin Water Utility in an amount not to exceed \$119,572. **Item passed on Commissioner Googins' motion and Commissioner Gray's second. Commissioners consenting were Googins, Gray, Faust, Fishbeck, Lee and Espinoza. Commissioner Webb abstained.**
7. Recommend approval to award and execute a 36-month requirements service contract with **AUSTIN HI-TECH RESTORATION, INC.** Austin, TX, or one of the other qualified bidders for IFB-BV No. PAX0209, for temporary fencing and boarding in an estimated amount not to exceed \$535,080, with three 12-month extension options in estimated amounts not to exceed \$254,016 for the first extension option, \$304,819 for the second extension option, and \$365,783 for the third extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$1,459,698. **Item passed on Commissioner Googins' motion and Commissioner Gray's second. Commissioners consenting were Googins, Gray, Faust, Fishbeck, Lee and Espinoza. Commissioner Webb abstained.**
8. Recommend approval to award and execute a 12-month requirements service contract with **WACHS WATER SERVICES**, Buffalo Grove, IL, to provide leak detection services for the Austin Water Utility in an estimated amount not to exceed \$191,450, with two 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$191,450 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$574,350. **Item passed on Commissioner Googins' motion and Commissioner Gray's second. Commissioners consenting were Googins, Gray, Faust, Fishbeck, Lee and Espinoza. Commissioner Webb abstained.**
9. Recommend approval to award and execute a 36-month requirements service contract with **BLACKMON MOORING OF TEXAS, INC.**, Austin, TX, to provide applied structural drying services for the Austin Water Utility in an estimated amount not to exceed \$180,000, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$60,000 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$360,000. **Item passed on Commissioner Googins' motion and Commissioner Gray's second. Commissioners consenting were Googins, Gray, Faust, Fishbeck, Lee and Espinoza. Commissioner Webb abstained.**
10. Recommend approval to award and execute a 36-month requirements service contract with **KOETTER FIRE PROTECTION, INC.**, Austin, TX for fire panel maintenance and services for the Austin Water Utility in an estimated amount not to exceed \$102,750, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$34,250 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$205,500. Koetter Fire Protection, Inc. is the sole source provider of these services for NOTIFIER fire systems in Austin, TX. **Item passed on Commissioner Googins' motion and**

Commissioner Gray's second. Commissioners consenting were Googins, Gray, Faust, Fishbeck, Lee and Espinoza. Commissioner Webb abstained.

11. Recommend approval to award and execute a 36-month requirements supply contract with **MUELLER SYSTEMS, LLC.**, Cleveland, NC, for the purchase of water meters for the Austin Water Utility in an estimated amount not to exceed \$386,220, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$128,740 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$772,440. **Item passed on Commissioner Googins' motion and Commissioner Gray's second. Commissioners consenting were Googins, Gray, Faust, Fishbeck, Lee and Espinoza. Commissioner Webb abstained.**
12. Recommend approval to award and execute a 36-month requirements supply contract with **KEMIRA WATER SOLUTIONS, INC.**, Lawrence, KS, for the purchase of liquid ferric sulfate for the Austin Water Utility in an estimated amount not to exceed \$1,773,630, with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$591,210 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$3,547,260. **Item passed on Commissioner Googins' motion and Commissioner Gray's second. Commissioners consenting were Googins, Gray, Faust, Fishbeck, Lee and Espinoza. Commissioner Webb abstained.**
13. Recommend approval to award and execute a 24-month requirements supply contract with **HD SUPPLY WATERWORKS**, Round Rock, Texas, for the purchase of concrete manhole sections for the Austin Water Utility in an estimated amount not to exceed \$28,770, with two 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$14,385 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$57,540. **Item passed on Commissioner Googins' motion and Commissioner Gray's second. Commissioners consenting were Googins, Gray, Faust, Fishbeck, Lee and Espinoza. Commissioner Webb abstained.**
14. Recommend approval to execute a construction contract with **DNT CONSTRUCTION**, Round Rock, TX for Pleasant Valley Road Extension from St. Elmo to Button Bend in the amount of \$3,654,869.66 plus a \$182,743.48 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$3,837,613.14. **Item passed on Commissioner Gray's motion and Commissioner Webb's second. Commissioners consenting were Gray, Webb, Espinoza, Faust and Fishbeck. Commissioner's Googins recused because he is involved in a partnership that one of the owners of DNT is involved in and Lee recused because his company participated as a subcontractor bidding the project.**
15. Recommend approval to execute a construction contract with **AARON CONCRETE CONTRACTORS, LP**, Austin, TX for Reicher Ranch Road Repair in the amount of \$196,238 plus a \$9,811 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$206,049. **Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Webb's motion and Commissioner Fishbeck's second.**

16. Recommend approval to execute a construction contract with **GARNEY COMPANIES, INC.**, Kansas City, Missouri for the Wildhorse Ranch Northwest Wastewater Project, in the amount of \$1,264,053.50 plus a \$63,202 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,327,255.50. **Item passed on Commissioner Faust's motion and Commissioner Webb's second. Commissioners consenting were Webb, Faust, Espinoza, Fishbeck, Gray and Googins. Commissioner Lee recused because his company participated as a subcontractor bidding the project.**
17. Recommend approval to execute a construction contract with **BRH-GARVER CONSTRUCTION, L.P.**, Houston, TX for the Main to Montopolis Reclaimed Water Main in the amount of \$4,993,324.20 plus a \$349,532.69 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$5,342,856.89. **Item passed on Commissioner Gray's motion and Commissioner Fishbeck's second. Commissioners consenting were Gray, Fishbeck, Webb, Faust, Espinoza and Googins. Commissioner Lee recused because his company participated as a subcontractor bidding the project.**
18. Recommend approval to execute a construction contract with **SMITH CONTRACTING COMPANY, INC.**, Austin, TX for the Little Shoal Creek Realignment & Utility Relocation – Phase I project in the amount of \$4,774,017 plus a \$716,102.55 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$5,490,119.55. **Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Webb's motion and Commissioner Fishbeck's second.**
19. Recommend approval to execute a construction contract with **PROTA, INCORPORATED**, (MBE/MH 61.69%) Austin, TX for the Walnut Creek Basin Odor and Corrosion Improvements Project in the amount of \$1,062,000 plus a \$106,200 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,168,200. **Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Webb's motion and Commissioner Fishbeck's second.**
20. Recommend approval to execute **Change Order #8** to the construction contract with **LAUGHLIN-THYSSEN, INC.**, Houston, Texas, for the S I-35 W/WW Program Segment 1 – Slaughter Lane to Slaughter Creek, 36-Inch Water Main project in the amount of \$33,000.00, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$2,241,043.30. **Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Webb's motion and Commissioner Fishbeck's second.**
21. Recommend approval to negotiate and execute a **Master Utility Adjustment Agreement** and any amendments thereto between the City of Austin and **Central Texas Mobility Constructors LLC (CTMC)** for Utility Relocations and Betterments within the roadway right-of-way of the "Manor Expressway - US 290 (East) from US 183 to East SH 130 (E. Parmer Lane)" in an amount not to exceed \$500,000. **Item passed on Commissioner Gray's motion and Commissioner Lee's second. Commissioner's consenting were**

Gray, Lee, Fishbeck, Webb, and Googins. Commissioner Espinoza recused because he is employed by the Central Texas Mobility Authority.

22. Recommend approval of a resolution authorizing the issuance by **Moore's Crossing Municipal Utility District** ("District"), of Unlimited Tax Bonds, Series 2011, in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000, and approving a substantial draft of the District's Bond Resolution and the Preliminary Official Statement. **Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Webb's motion and Commissioner Fishbeck's second.**
23. Recommend approval of **Austin Water Utility's FY 2012** proposed \$466.3 million Operating Budget, \$31.9 million Capital Budget appropriations, \$1,073.9 million 5-Year CIP spending plan, 3.5% system-wide rate increase (3.5% water, 3.5% wastewater), and the \$6.00 Water Sustainability Fee (per 5/8" Meter equivalent). **Commissioner Fishbeck recommended that "Water Sustainability Fee" be changed to "Revenue Stability Fee" and added "to fund Conservation Operations, Wildland Operations, Debt Service on Wildlands, Reclaimed Water System subsidy, plus an additional 1.4 million for the purpose of revenue stability". Item passed on Commissioner Fishbeck's motion and Commissioner Webb's second. Commissioner's consenting were Fishbeck, Webb, Espinoza, Googins, and Lee. Commissioner Faust dissented.**

E. VOTING ITEMS FROM COMMISSION

F. REPORTS BY COMMISSION SUBCOMMITTEE

1. Budget Committee Report
Chair Gray of the Budget Committee presented the information.

G. NON VOTING DISCUSSION ITEMS

H. STAFF BRIEFINGS, PRESENTATIONS, AND OR REPORTS

1. AW Operating & Capital Budget
Greg Meszaros, David Anders and Brian Long presented the information and addressed the Commissioner's questions and concerns.
2. Water Treatment Plant 4 Monthly Report
Greg Meszaros presented the information and addressed the Commissioner's questions and concerns.

I. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

J. ADJOURN

Chair Espinoza adjourned the meeting at 8:36pm with no objection.