

The Water and Wastewater Commission convened in a regular meeting on April 11, 2012 at Waller Creek Center, 624 East 10th Street, Room 104, in Austin, Texas.

Commission Members in Attendance:

Gwendolyn Webb (Chair)

Dale Gray, P.E (Vice Chair) (**Absent**)

William Moriarty, P.E.

Sarah B. Faust

Aaron Googins, P.E.

Chien Lee, P.E.

William Moriarty, P.E.

Staff in Attendance:

Greg Meszaros, Director, Daryl Slusher, Bill Stauber, Michael Castillo, Kathy Garland, Kevin Critendon, Jason Hill, Bart Jennings, Wale Odufuye and Felicia Cancino

Additional Attendees:

David Hogan, Jeffrey Jacoby, and Andrew Dobbs

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Webb called the meeting to order at 6:04pm.

B. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

David Hogan, Jeffrey Jacoby and Andrew Dobbs spoke in favor of item E1, Resolution regarding the use of food waste disposers in City sponsored programs.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Meeting minutes from the March 14, 2012 Water & Wastewater Commission regular meeting were approved on Commissioner Fishbeck's motion and Commissioner Faust's second. Commissioner's consenting were Lee, Fishbeck, Faust, Webb and Moriarty. Commissioner Googins' abstained due to his absence at the meeting and Commissioner Gray was absent.

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

Commissioner's consented on item 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11 & 13. Commissioner's pulled items 8 and 12 for discussion.

1. Recommend approval to award and execute a 24-month requirements supply contract with **BADGER METER, INC.,** for the purchase of water meters in an estimated amount not to exceed \$244,166, with two 12-month extension options in and estimated amount not to

exceed \$140,396, per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$524,958. Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Googins' motion and Commissioner Lee's second. Commissioner Gray was absent.

- 2. Recommend approval to award and execute a 24-month requirements supply agreement with **A.W. CHESTERTON/ CHESTERTON TEXAS**, for SXCF grease to lubricate rollers and seals for the Austin Water Utility in an amount not to exceed \$100,486, with two 12-month month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$50,243 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$200,972. **Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Googins' motion and Commissioner Lee's second. Commissioner Gray was absent.**
- 3. Recommend approval to award and execute a 24-month requirements supply agreement with **SHANNON CHEMICAL CORP**., for liquid phosphate for the Austin Water Utility to treat drinking water at the treatment plants in an estimated amount not to exceed \$1,222,640, with two 12-month month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$611,320 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$2,445,280. **Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Googins' motion and Commissioner Lee's second. Commissioner Gray was absent.**
- 4. Recommend approval to award and execute a 36-month requirement supply contract with **BRENTAG SOUTHWEST, INC.,** for sodium carbonate for the Austin Water Utility to be used at the package plants for water softening in an estimated amount not to exceed \$32,400 with three 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$10,800 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$64,800. **Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Googins' motion and Commissioner Lee's second. Commissioner Gray was absent.**
- 5. Recommend approval to award and execute a 24-month requirements supply agreement with **AOC WELDING SUPPLY**, for liquid sulfur dioxide for the Austin Water Utility in an amount not to exceed \$338,800, with two 12-month month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$169,400 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$677,600. **Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Googins' motion and Commissioner Lee's second. Commissioner Gray was absent.**
- 6. Recommend approval to award and execute a 26 month requirements supply contract through NATIONAL JOINT POWERS ALLIANCE (NJPA) with Staples Contract & Commercial, Inc., for purchase of office supplies, in an amount not to exceed \$5,750,000. Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Googins' motion and Commissioner Lee's second. Commissioner Gray was absent.

- 7. Recommend approval to award and execute a contract through The Cooperative Purchasing Network (TCPN) Contract, with **AUDIO VISUAL INNOVATIONS, INC.**, for the purchase and installation of audio and video equipment, and a one year maintenance warranty, to provide audio and visual recordings at various meetings conducted at the Waller Creek Center by the Austin Water Utility, in an amount not to exceed \$146,560. **Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Googins' motion and Commissioner Lee's second. Commissioner Gray was absent.**
- 8. Recommend approval to award and execute **Amendment No. 2** to a contract through the Cooperative Purchasing Network (TCPN) with **GRAINGER**, **INC.**, for industrial supplies and equipment to increase the current contract period in an estimated amount not to exceed \$1,400,000, and increase extension options three and four in estimated amounts not to exceed \$3,149,250 and \$3,212,235 respectively, for a revised total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$11,558,361. **Kathy Garland addressed the Commissioner's questions and concerns. Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Googins' motion and Commissioner Webb's second. Commissioner Gray was absent.**
- 9. Recommend approval to execute change order #6 to the construction contract with **TEXAS STERLING CONSTRUCTION, CO.**, for the West Campus Water and Wastewater Improvements Area 5 in the amount of \$253,201.18 plus a contingency of \$20,000.00 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$4,496,872.00. **Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Googins' motion and Commissioner Lee's second. Commissioner Gray was absent.**
- 10. Recommend approval to execute a construction contract with LANDMARK STRUCTURES I, L.P., for the Northwest C Pump Station and Elevated Storage Tank at Anderson Mill Project in the amount of \$8,184,000 plus an \$818,400 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$9,002,400. Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Googins' motion and Commissioner Lee's second. Commissioner Gray was absent.
- 11. Recommend approval to execute an interlocal agreement between the City of Austin (COA) and the **ABOVENET COMMUNICATIONS, INC**. (AboveNet) for the relocation of AboveNet existing fiber optic lines to make room for relocation of existing COA water line in conflict with Texas Department of Transportation (TX DOT) roadway improvements within the State's Contract for roadway/intersection improvements within the State Highway 71 (East) at Riverside Road Project (CSJ: 0113-13-149) in the amount of \$94,893.56 plus an \$18,978.71 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$113,872.27. **Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Googins' motion and Commissioner Lee's second. Commissioner Gray was absent.**

- 12. Recommend approval of an ordinance regarding the revised rates and tariff proposed by AQUA TEXAS, INC. in its Statement of Intent dated December 21, 2011 for water service provided to its customers in two areas within the City of Austin known as Rivercrest and Morningside. Bart Jennings and Michael Castillo provided a brief synopsis on this item and addressed the Commissioner's questions and concerns. Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Googins' motion and Commissioner Lee's second. Commissioner Gray was absent.
- 13. Recommend approval of a resolution authorizing the issuance by **NORTH AUSTIN MUNICIPAL UTILITY DISTRICT** ("District") of Unlimited Tax and Revenue Bonds,
 Series 2012, in an amount not to exceed \$11,360,000; and approving a substantial draft of
 the District's Bond Resolution and the Preliminary Official Statement. **Item passed unanimously on Commissioner Googins' motion and Commissioner Lee's second. Commissioner Gray was absent.**

E. VOTING ITEMS FROM COMMISSION

1. Consider and take action on a resolution regarding the use of food waste disposers in City sponsored programs. Commissioner Faust presented the information and informed the Commissioner's that she revised the Resolution slightly. Resolution passed on Commissioner Faust's motion and Commissioner Moriarty's second. Commissioner's consenting were Faust, Moriarty, Webb, Faust and Lee. Commissioner Googins opposed and Commissioner Gray was absent.

F. REPORTS BY COMMISSION SUBCOMMITTEE

1. Joint Committee on Austin Water Utility Financial Plan

Commissioner Fishbeck presented the information and addressed the

Commissioner's questions and concerns.

G. NON VOTING DISCUSSION ITEMS

H. STAFF BRIEFINGS, PRESENTATIONS, AND OR REPORTS

- 1. AWU Affordability Briefing **Postponed by staff**
- 2. WTP4 Monthly Report Bill Stauber presented the information and addressed the Commissioner's questions and concerns.

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- 3. Public Improvement Districts Briefing Bart Jennings Requested by the Commissioners Bart Jennings presented the information and addressed the Commissioner's questions and concerns.
- 4. AWU Monthly Financial Status Report Michael Castillo presented the information.

I. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

J. ADJOURN

Chair Webb adjourned the meeting at 7:54pm without objection.